

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**Minutes of Franklin Township
Franklin County, Ohio**

Special Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

February 21, 2019

Chairman Fleshman called the Special Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 5:30 p.m. on February 21, 2019, at 2193 Frank Road.

Roll Call: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Fleshman made a motion to suspend the Pledge of Allegiance and any prior meeting minutes. Alex seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Purpose of the Meeting: *Enter into in an executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) for the purpose of considering the dismissal, discipline and/or employment of a public employee, and to take any other actions the Board deems necessary or desirable in connection therewith and to discuss Township properties.*

At 5:32 p.m. Fleshman made a motion to go into an Executive Session. Horn seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Horn, yes; Fleshman, yes; Alex, no.

Fleshman asked all present to leave the meeting with the exception of each member of the Board of Trustees and the Police Chief. The Assistant Fiscal Officer shut off the recorder and exited the meeting.

At 6:00 p.m. the Assistant Fiscal Officer returned to the meeting and turned the recorder back on.

Fleshman made a motion that with no decisions made to come out of Executive Session. Alex seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Horn, yes; Fleshman, yes; Alex, yes.

At 6:02 p.m. real estate broker Laura Esterline asked the Board if she could be granted permission to speak directly with the Central Ohio Community Improvement Corporation (COCIC) on potential properties. She explained that it is in the best interest of the Township for her to research the condition of potential properties as early as possible to assist COCIC in their transfer process.

Fleshman moved for the adoption of the following resolution. Horn seconded the motion, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Resolution 19-028

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio that the Board approves to allow their contracted real estate broker Laura Esterline to communicate with the Central Ohio Community Improvement Corporation (COCIC) related to the transfer of properties to the Township. The Board will review this arrangement on an annual basis.

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Esterline informed the Board that she has taken the vacant parcel of land on Harrisburg Pike off of the market due to no interest. She asked the Board if they had spoken with the pastor at New Horizons UM Church to gauge their interest in the adjoining parcel. Alex stated he would speak to the pastor and report back at the next meeting.

She continued by sharing with the Board the details of her productive conversation with COCIC related to (2) two potential properties:

- 1025 Geneva Avenue
- 714 N. Hague Avenue

The properties are in the process of being transferred to Franklin Township but this process takes several months especially since the structure at 714 N. Hague Avenue has to be demolished and the debris on the land be removed before the transfer can occur. But, the property at 1025 Geneva Avenue has potential and COCIC is working to transfer this parcel as quickly as possible, said Esterline.

Laura Esterline updated the Board on her conversation with the Road Superintendent; Jim Stevens related to an adjoining property at the rear of 2193 Frank Road in hopes of working with the property owners to negotiate pricing. She said she will keep the Board abreast of her conversation with the owners.

Esterline explained to the Board that she would like to put a hold on placing 3506 & 3303 Brookside Blvd on the market until she is able to talk with a potential builder about their interest in working with the Township on redeveloping vacant parcels.

Fleshman moved to rescind the following resolution. Alex seconded the motion, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Resolution 19-021 (rescinded)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio that the Board approves Laura Esterline, Realtor/Broker of RE/MAX to place 3506 Brookside Blvd – Parcel Number 140-001868 on the market to sell immediately.

Fleshman moved to rescind the following resolution. Alex seconded the motion, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Resolution 19-022 (rescinded)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio that the Board approves Laura Esterline, Realtor/Broker of RE/MAX to place 3303 Brookside Blvd – Parcel Number 140-001885 on the market to sell immediately.

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Esterline said it would be very helpful if she could have a set schedule on the monthly meeting agenda so she can present an update to the Board more effectively and timely.

Fleshman made a motion to approve Laura Esterline to be on the agenda for the first meeting of each month to provide updates to the Board. Alex seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Horn, yes; Fleshman, yes; Alex, yes.

Esterline shared that a walk-through of 462 Prospect was conducted and the potential buyer has lowered their offer from \$26,000.00 to \$23,000.00 due to conditions found during the walk-through.

Fleshman moved to amend the following resolution. Alex seconded the motion, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Resolution 19-025 (amended)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio that the Board approves to accept a reduced offer of \$23,000.00 for 462 Prospect Street – Parcel Number 140-000133 due to findings by the buyer during the walk-through of the property.

With no further discussion Fleshman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alex seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

John Fleshman, Chairman

Ralph Horn, Vice-Chairman

Aryeh Alex, Trustee

Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer
Robyn Watkins, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Minutes were taken and typed by: Robyn Watkins
Minutes approved by Board of Trustees on 03/07/19