

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

Regular Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

March 19, 2020

Call Meeting to Order:

Chairman Alex called the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 p.m. on March 19, 2020, at 2193 Frank Road.

Opening Prayer: Led by John Fleshman, Trustee

The Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Trustee Fleshman.

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

Alex shared how this meeting will be held via social media (Facebook live) per the guidance provided by the Ohio Attorney General's Office. Each member in attendance utilized safe social distancing during the meeting as well as only necessary staff members were present for the live video.

Prior Meeting Minutes:

Alex motioned to approve the following minutes from the March 3, 2020. Fleshman seconded the motion. With no discussion a vote was taken as follows: Horn, yes; Alex, yes; Fleshman, yes. The motion was passed.

Old Business

Resolutions:

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

Resolution 20-048

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves payroll ending on March 20, 2020, in the amount of \$171,321.66 and bills in the amount of \$105,340.37 for a total of \$276,662.03 from check number 62560 to check# 62694 Electronic checks 20-62 through 20-70.

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

Resolution 20-063

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to pay Ohio Cat \$2,882.52 for batteries and repair of leaks on M192. Funding Code: 2281-230-323-000.

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Resolution 20-064

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to accept the agreement outlined in the engagement letter from the Ohio Auditor of State's Local Government Services Office (LGS) dated March 18, 2020. The agreement states LGS will reconcile the Township's records with the bank from January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2019 and propose adjustments to book balances as needed as well as compile the Regulatory Basis financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2017, December 31, 2018, and December 31, 2019 in an unclassified format. As outlined at a cost of \$15,000.00 out of the General Fund per Franklin Township's Resolution 19-250. Board will be notified if the cost of service needs to be reevaluated.

Alex reminded everyone that only essential items would be included on the agenda during the COVID-19 crisis.

Fleshman asked if anyone listening/watching has protective gear, gloves, masks the Township's supply is low and these items are needed to protect our staff as well as the community we serve.

Horn encourages everyone to follow the guidance of our Ohio Governor as well as the Public Health Officials during the COVID-19 crisis.

Fiscal Department

Fiscal Officer, Lisa Morris had nothing to report.

Alex thanked Morris for her years of service to the Township as this is her last meeting. Alex said that once the crisis is over the Township will welcome her back to a meeting with the public present to provide her with a fond farewell. Fleshman thanked Morris for her service, as well. Horn said he asked Administrator Potts to put together a Certificate of Appreciate to present to Morris at a later date.

Fleshman made a motion to adopt the following resolution. Horn seconded the motion, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Horn, yes; Alex, yes; Fleshman, yes. Resolution passed.

20-065

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board extended their gratitude and thanks to Lisa Morris for her years of service as Fiscal Officer to the Township.

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Morris thanked the Board and also explained that the Board will need to pass a resolution adding the new fiscal officer, Mary Rhinehart to the bank account as well as removing her name (Lisa Morris) from the bank account,

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20-066

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves removing Lisa Morris' name as a signer from the PNC bank account effective end of day on March 31, 2020 and adding Mary Rhinehart's name as a signer to the PNC bank accounts effective April 1, 2020. Accounts ending in: 8908 and 8916

Morris explained that she has taken appropriate action to ensure Mary Rhinehart has the necessary paperwork to apply for her proper bonding as well as notified appropriate vendors and partners of the change in Fiscal Officers.

Alex made a motion to adopt the following resolution. Fleshman seconded the motion, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Horn, yes; Alex, yes; Fleshman, yes. Resolution passed.

20-067

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves removing Lisa Morris' name from all Township accounts effective end of day on March 31, 2020 and adding Mary Rhinehart's effective April 1, 2020.

Potts asked the Board for a resolution to become a cosigner to the One Ohio Memo of Understanding. This will show Franklin Township as joining in with the State of Ohio as they work on a settlement regarding opioid litigations against pharmaceutical supply chain participants.

Alex made a motion to adopt the following resolution. Fleshman seconded the motion, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Horn, yes; Alex, yes; Fleshman, yes. Resolution passed.

20-068

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to be a cosigner to the One Ohio Memorandum of Understanding.

Potts also asked the Board for approval to temporarily suspend the \$4.00 fee for individual police and accident reports during the COVID-19 crisis.

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20-069

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to suspend the \$4.00 police and accident reports during the COVID-19 crisis.

Fleshman shared with the Township residents that if you have your car towed through the Township everything will be handled through the tow company until further notice.

Questions from Viewers

Mary Rhinehart asked if the Township can provide additional community resources which could be helpful during the COVID-19 crisis?

Alex said the Franklin County Public Health Department has a ton of resources available online and the Township will put that information on our social media page and website. Resources are becoming available daily and the Township will do their part to inform the residents of these opportunities, said Alex.

Fleshman asked for everyone to check on their neighbor during these challenging times.

With no further comment or discussion. Alex adjourned the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Aryeh Alex, Chairman

Signature on file with original
John Fleshman, Vice-Chairman

Signature on file with original
Ralph Horn, Trustee

Signature on file with original
Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer
Robyn Watkins, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Minutes were taken & typed by: R. Watkins
Minutes approved by Board of Trustees on 04/02/2020s