

Minutes of Franklin Township**Regular Meeting****Held at 2193 Frank Road****November 5, 2015**

Chairman Cook called the regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 P.M. November 5, 2015 at 2193 Frank Road.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Chairman Cook gave the welcome.

ROLL CALL: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

MINUTES

Chairman Cook made a motion to dispense the reading of the minutes. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Chairman Cook made a motion to approve the regular minutes for October 22nd, 2015. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, abstained.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-293
BILLS AND PAYROLL

The Board approves payroll in the amount of \$101,063.96 and bills in the amount of \$35,132.32 totaling \$136,196.28 from check #38710 to check #38293.

Chairman Cook seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman read the purchase orders:

Facility Maintenance: 15-19FUnited Garage Door-Repair of cables on two garage doors on road dept garage \$320.00, Fire Department: 15-185FDFire Chief Association Membership fees-Assistant Chief Adams \$50.00, 15-183FDThe Fire House-Boots for Keefe \$370.00, 15-188FDOhio Association-Captain Broecker \$540.00, Police Department: 15-59PDGood year-Tires for car 307 \$489.08, 15-60PTuffy Auto-Repair tire & replace sensor car 302 \$86.88, 15-61PDCentral Ohio Police Supply-20 Taser Cartridges for Certifications \$240.00, 15-62PDColumbus City Treasurer-3rd Quarter Radio Service Fee \$455.49, 15-63PDTuffy Auto Service-Headlight Repair C-304 \$57.48, 15-64PDPro Printing-500 Property receipt forms \$223.50, 15-65PDRoy Tailors/Galls-Winter Jacket For Staley \$184.33, Road Department: 15-104RD Sherwin Williams-Paint for curbs & stop bars \$513.84, 15-105RDNapa-Headlight for F-550, Tire plug kit \$43.22, 15-106RDColumbus Pipe-Square tubing to re-build tail gate on F-550 \$130.60, 15-107RDHilliard Lawn &Garden-Tube for tire repair on Zero turn mower \$21.95.

FIRE DEPARTMENT / CHIEF WELCH

Chief Welch – Has requested an advance from the general fund for \$20,000.00 to pay the Firefighters who have already started training until the monies from the Safer grant

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be received. Chief announced the ceremony of the new Firefighters and invited the community. He said the friends and family of the Firefighters would be there. Chief would like to request to carry over the comp-time for the Firefighters.

Chairman Cook made a motion to carry over one year of accumulated comp-time for the Firefighters.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-293

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE BOARD APPROVES TO REIMBURSE TRINA SAYRE FROM FIRE INSURANCE THAT WAS PAID TO US BY NATIONWIDE INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,000.00.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-295

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE BOARD APPROVES TO PAY PUBLIC SAFETY HEALTH AND WELLNESS FOR NEW FIREFIGHTERS PHYSICALS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4889.00.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-296

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE BOARD APPROVES TO PAY FINLEY FIRE FOR HELMETS, HOSE, AND FOAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,173.86.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-299

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE BOARD APPROVES TO ADVANCE BACK \$20,000.00 FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND AS PARTIAL PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING DEBT.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-300

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE BOARD APPROVES TO ADVANCE \$20,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SAFER FUND FOR UPFRONT LOAN UNTIL SAFER MONEY COMES IN.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

ROAD DEPARTMENT / JIM STEVENS

Jim Stevens – Said they are getting to the leaves. He said just to be patient because there are many leaves.

POLICE DEPARTMENT / CHIEF WHEELER

Chief Wheeler wanted to discuss the police budget. He said that we will have to lay-off the two Officers that were just hired due to the Police levy failing. He asked the board about paying off the loans that the Police Department has already incurred. Chairman Cook has stated that we will lay off the two Officers. Chairman Cook said they would need to review the budget. Trustee Guyton stated that the Board of already expected the loan be repaid as part of the 2015 budget that was approved.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-297

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZES THE POLICE CHIEF TO LAY-OFF OFFICER JOSHUA EDWARDS EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF HIS SHIFT DECEMBER 31, 2015.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, no, because the dates are wrong for lay-off. He said the date should be 21 calendar days from November 5, 2015.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman also re-iterated the need the community has for Police Officers to be on-duty. He said it is the responsibility of the Township to protect the community.

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Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-298

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZES THE POLICE CHIEF TO LAY-OFF OFFICER TODD MOORE EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF HIS SHIFT DECEMBER 31, 2015.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the Resolution. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, no, he said because the dates are wrong for lay-off and again, should be 21 calendar days from November 5, 2015.

Chief Wheeler has decided to resign his position. He offered his letter of resignation to the Board of Trustees.

Chairman Cook made a motion to accept Police Chief Wheeler’s resignation letter effective November 20, 2015. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

Tim Guyton wanted to commend Chief Wheeler for the great work he has done for the Township. Tim asked Chief Wheeler to stay on as interim until his position is covered. An audience member wanted to know if this would allow the officers who will be laid-off to stay on as officers considering the resignation. Chairman Cook said that we would have to look at the budget.

Robin from the Sheriff’s department wanted to commend all the Officers for their efforts on getting the Police levy passed. There will be a Special meeting set for June 10, 2015 for Wednesday concerning Police budget.

Guest Speakers:

Ralph Horn wanted to take the time to thank Paul Zinser for stepping up and he said he has gotten to know him a little better. He said if he could assist Paul in Valley-view in any way he would do so. He also wanted to thank Chief Wheeler and Tim Guyton for their service to the community. He said he looks forward to working with Vice-Chairman Fleshman and Chairman Cook.

Paul Zinser said a few things to the community and thanked everyone for their votes.

Chairman Cook moved with no further business to discuss to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Don Cook, Chairman

Timothy Guyton, Trustee

John Fleshman, Vice-Chairman

Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer