

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

Special Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

February 8, 2018

Chairman Horn called the special meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 5:00 P.M. on February 8th, 2018 at 2193 Harrisburg Pike.

Chairman Horn opened the meeting.

Horn made a motion to suspend the Pledge of Allegiance, and to not approve any prior meeting minutes. Trustee Fleshman seconded. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

ROLL CALL: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Others present for the meeting: Fire Chief, James Welch, Asst. Fire Chief, Charles Adams, FF Carlen Mullins III, FF Ronald Delozier, Assistant Fiscal Officer, Robyn Watkins, and Fiscal Officer, Lisa Morris.

Trustee Fleshman made a motion to go into executive session. Vice-Chairman Alex seconded. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Without any decisions made, motion was made by Chairman Horn to come out of executive session. Vice-Chairman Alex seconded. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Chairman Horn shared his position on ensuring the fire department keeps a close eye on their budget as he does not want to see services jeopardized for the citizens of the Township due to budget errors. Chairman Horn also agrees the fire fighters wages need to increase to retain them as employees of the Township.

Assistant Fire Chief Adams shared with the Board how time consuming and expensive it is to hire a new fire fighter and within a few months those new hires leave for better wages elsewhere.

All three Trustees were in agreement that the new contract was fair for all parties and provides the fire fighters with incentives to remain with Franklin Township.

The following motion was made by Vice-Chairman Alex to accept Local 1441 Fire Union's tentative fire contact agreement pending legal review by Township attorneys and Board will vote on final contract once legal review is concluded. Trustee Fleshman seconded. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Trustee Fleshman thanks all of those involved in the collective bargaining committee for the purpose of negotiating the Local 1441 Fire Union contract.

Chairman Horn made a motion with no further business to discuss, to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Fleshman seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Ralph Horn, Chairman

Aryeh Alex, Vice-Chairman

John Fleshman, Trustee

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Minutes Taken and Typed By: Robyn Watkins