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Regular Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

September 24, 2015

Chairman Cook called the regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 P.M. September 24, 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 suspend the reading of the minutes. 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 # 15-241

Chairman Cook made a motion to approve the minutes of July 2, 2015 with corrections.

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 # 15-242

Chairman Cook made a motion to approve the minutes of July 16, 2015 with corrections.

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 # 15-243

Chairman Cook made a motion to approve the minutes of July 30, 2015 with corrections.

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 # 15-244

Chairman Cook made a motion to approve the minutes of September 10, 2015 with corrections.

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

Chairman Cook made a motion to table the minutes for August 13, August 18, August 25, and August 27, 2015. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Guyton, yes.

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

RESOLUTION # 15-222 BILLS AND PAYROLL

The Board approves payroll in the amount of \$149,122.63 and bills in the amount of \$108,087.38 totaling \$257,210.01 from check #37851 to check #37958.

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

Chief Welch requested to promote Firefighter Robert Arnold to Lieutenant Robert Arnold. He said that this promotion is due to recent changes leaving a vacancy in the Lieutenant's position to fill.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-245

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THE PROMOTION OF FIRE FIGHTER ROBERT ARNOLD TO LIEUTENANT ROBERT ARNOLD.

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

Vice-Chairman Fleshman read the purchase orders:

Building Department: 15-013-B, Lowe's-Keys \$6.54, EMS: 15-163 Eitels Towing-Tow M19, \$245.00, Fire Department: 15-164 Finley-Indicator light XE193, SCBA repair \$143.87,15-165 Earls-A/C recharge E193, repair A/C E193 \$912.09, Police Department: 15-51-P Taser Training Academy-Renew Instructor certification \$390.00, 15-50-P Tuffy Auto-Repairs on Car #'s 300 and 307 \$702.92, Road Department: 15-94-R, Apple Smith Corp-Hot Patch for Pot Hole repairs in Broadlawn addition, Prospect Alley, Jackson Road and Alleys in Triangle \$279.25, 15-93-R, Earles Truck Service-Replace front hub bearing and rotor, front brakes on F-150pickup \$381.89, 15-97-R, Franklin County Drainage Engineer-NPDES Annual Permit Fee with Franklin County \$400.00, 15-95-R, Good year-Repair of two tires on roller trailer and repair of front tire on backhoe \$114.44, 15-96-R, Sutherlands-Blanket PO to replace Blanket PO 15-53-R From May 21, 2015 \$300.00.15-91-R, Swaco-Tipping Fees for Trash \$39.50.

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Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-246

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY OHIO, THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZES THE PAYMENT TO OUR MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR ANNUAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7000.00.

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 # 15-220

THE BOARD APPROVES TO PAY UPPER ARLINGTON FOR FLEET MAINTENANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4643.67.

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 # 15-221

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO THAT THE BOARD APPROVES TO RECALL FORM LAYOFF STATUS FIREFIGHTER TOM MATTIA EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 24, 2015.

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 # 15-234

THE BOARD APPROVES TO PAY CENTRAL OHIO HYDRANT FOR HYDRANT REPAIRS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6610.00.

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 # 15-235

THE BOARD APPROVES TO PAY TOOLE AND ASSOCIATES FOR AUGUST SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3238.28.

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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 # 15-236 THRU # 15-240

THE BOARD APPROVES THE ROAD SUPERVISOR TO CUT THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES AND ASSESS THE COST TO THEIR TAX DUPLICATE.

2047 Ray Avenue 789 Brown Road 1723 Richmond

Empty Lot Ray Avenue 462 Prospect

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT / CHIEF WELCH

Chief Welch said that the only thing on his agenda is that one of his people is working on getting some estimates on insulation for the pole barn. He said the amount of money spent on heating the pole barn in the winter is too much. Chief Welch and Jim Stevens are discussing putting up an insulated ceiling and dropping lights down. Jim Stevens said that when they built the pole barn, if a ceiling had been installed, sprinklers would have had to be put in as well. Jim said that Larry Geiger has verified that the code has changed and sprinklers are now not required so none will be installed.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 15-247

THE BOARD AUTHORIZES CHIEF WELCH TO SPEND UP TO \$2800.00 TO INSULATE THE POLE BARN.

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

ROAD DEPARTMENT / JIM STEVENS

Jim Stevens said he had nothing but the house bill 50 properties. He said there was a final walkthrough today for the Eureka Park project. The project will be complete within a week. The project in Broadlawn should be complete within two weeks. The Eastfield and Westfield project is complete.

POLICE DEPARTMENT / CHIEF WHEELER

Chief Wheeler said that Robyn Watkins wanted to mention the police levy coming up next week at the Central Baptist Church at 1955 Frank Road. Jessica from the Sheriff's department said they are having a Medication Disposal drop off Saturday September 26, 2015 between 10:00am and 2:00pm. She said there are different locations and she has a flyer for anyone who is interested in finding a location. Chief

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Wheeler said you could drop off any unused medication any time at the Police department they will dispose of it for you. He said do not flush it down the toilet and the police department and they will give you a receipt. He said we would take it and dispose of it properly.

Guest Speaker

Bill Huffman said he got a letter from the ODOT wanting to know how the Broad Street beautification project was going. He said that Dan had given them the wrong information on which side of the road they would be working on and now they have the right information. Dan said that he had a meeting with the casino folks. Dan also said that he thought that they would be getting money from the casino to assist with the Broad Street beautification project. The casino is very interested since they said it would benefit them as well to invest in this area. Trustee Guyton said that Franklin Township should be providing the Friends of the Hilltop with the 2% set aside of monies received from Columbus that were specifically negotiated to be earmarked for maintenance of Georgesville and Broad Street.

Don Parsons, a resident of the City of Columbus wanted to discuss a business that is moving to his area. He is opposed to the building of a new business that will be coming to Frank Road. He said it is a compost company. He said that they have a bad odor and he does not want them in the area. He wanted to make everyone aware that our Trustee Guyton was on the board that voted for the compost business to being built on Frank Road. Trustee Guyton said that as a member of the County BZA board, he is required to follow the ORC and County zoning, and that he had no choice but to approve the application. He further stated that the same Board that Don Parsons sits on, which is the Southwest Area Commission, voted to approve the application. Trustee Guyton further stated that ODOT the County Engineers office and EPA had no concerns with the application and lastly, the Board of Trustees did not respond to a notice provided from the County on the application.

Trustee Guyton responded to a Valleyview resident that had accused him of withholding information from the other board members. He stated that each Trustee had been sent the same email that Trustee Guyton received and that to reach out to any of the other Trustees would have been a violation of the Sunshine Law to discuss Township business outside a scheduled public meeting. Vice-Chairman Fleshman said he did not get an email concerning this matter. Fleshman said that he responds to all of his email. Chairman Cook said he did not receive an email either. He said it might have gone to spam. Trustee Guyton said that it seemed funny that he got his e-mail and reacted to it, but the others did not. Don Parson wants to know where he can appeal the process. He said that he is very upset that the BZA Board can vote on something that will affect the community in a negative way without consulting the community first. Trustee Guyton again said that the BZA Board did consider testimony, along with the report from Staff and all responsible agencies before it voted. He also said that it was the responsibility of Franklin County to notify the community. Chairman Cook said that the Community must be notified if they live within 300 feet of the new company. Guyton stated that this area is zoned for Industrial, Manufacturing and Trucking type businesses, not retail and eating establishments like Don Parsons keeps saying that we want for this area.

Paul Zinser a resident of Valleyview wanted to know why Trustee Guyton did not reach out to the other Trustees knowing that this was going to affect the community. Trustee Guyton told Paul Zinser that his role as a BZA member was not to

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represent Franklin Township, but Franklin County. Trustee Guyton repeated that the SWAC group supported this application, as did County staff and all other pertinent agencies. The BZA Board must act responsibly or risk lawsuits from applicants that do not receive lawful judgements. Dan with the Friends of the Hilltop said that Tim Guyton acted appropriately based on information provided.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following resolution.

RESOLUTION #15-223

THE BOARD GOES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING A PERSONNEL POLICE MATTER.

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

Executive Session called to order at 7:49pm.

Chairman Cook motioned with no decision having been made and 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 7:53pm.

Don Cook, Chairman
John Fleshman, Vice-Chairman
Timothy Guyton, Trustee
Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer