Chairman Cook called the regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 P.M. November 16, 2016 at 2193 Frank Road.

Chairman Cook gave the welcome.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

ROLL CALL: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes

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

Chairman Cook made a motion to table the Regular Minutes of November 3, 2016. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes

Chairman Cook informed the Board that he did not get the minutes from the meeting. He has told everyone on numerous occasions that he does not use the new email.

Chairman Cook thanked the audience members for their vote to approve the fire levy.

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

 **RESOLUTION # 16-298**

**BILLS AND PAYROLL**

The Board approves payroll in the amount of $96,140.83 and bills in the amount of $112,369.89 totaling $208,510.72 from check # 41335 to check # 41409.

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

Purchase Orders: EMS: 16-562 Hite-Rebuild Medic 193 Siren $468.91, 16-564 Goodyear-New Tire Medic 193 $329.85, 16-563 Horton-Medic 193 Foot Switch $91.08, Fire Department: 16-139 W.W.Williams-PM Engine 192 & Engine 193 $822.97, 16-140 Appliance Parts-Refrigerator Shelf $26.34, 16-139 Capital Fire-Recharge 20# ABC extinguisher $60.00, 16-137 Ohio Cat-Engine 193 Heater Hose repair $ 345.08, Police Department: 16-100 Goodyear-4 New Cruiser Tires $435.08, 16-99 Orion-Flares $228.60, Road Department: 16-119 Hilliard Lawn & Garden-2 Tubes for flat tires on Zero Turn Mower $41.80, 16-123 Liberty Tire-Disposal of Tires from Tire Drive $235.39, 16-118 State Tire-Tire Replacement for Front of Backhoe $216.08,

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-348**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves to move $20,000.00 from the general fund to the permissive motor vehicle fund to pay bills.

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

Discussion was had concerning the amount of money for the Police Chief to solicit from the Auditor. The Board agreed.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-350**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves Police Chief Byron Smith to contact the Franklin County Auditor’s office for $4.0 M, $5.0 M, $6.0 M, $7.0 M, and $8.0 M for Police Department.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-351**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves the Road Department to pick up trash at 1755 Eastbrook Dr. S. Ave parcel #140-005727-00 and to assess the cost to the property taxes.

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

Chairman Cook verified with Jim Stevens that he followed the procedures of picking up this trash. Jim verified.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-352**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves the Road Department to pick up trash at 1706 Frank Rd. S Ave parcel # 140-00586-00 and to assess the cost to the property taxes.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-353**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves the Road Department to pick up trash at 1799 Eastbrook Dr. S Ave parcel #140-005726-00 and to assess the cost to the property taxes.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-354**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves to rescind resolution # 16-311 for Jim Stevens FMLA leave.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-355**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves to rescind resolution # 16-320 for grass cutting at 1723 Richmond Rd. this was a duplicate resolution.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-356**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves to pay the Fire Department $34,206.00 from the Building Department fund for a portion of Captain Broecker’ s salary.

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

Lisa brought up concerns about Melissa needing more assistance in the office. Chairman Cook agreed. Melissa has a lot of responsibility. The Board is concerned about the attendance of Connie. Ralph Horn brought up concerns about Connie’s attendance. He said he would speak with her concerning this issue. Chairman Cook informed the Board that he has spoken with Connie and Melissa regarding Connie’s attendance. The Board discussed using Connie to come over to 2193 Frank Road every other week to assist in office duties. Trustee Horn does not feel as if the Township is getting enough production from Connie’s position with the Township. The Board agreed. Chairman Cook wants to set up a Quarterly meeting in January to discuss the position. Chairman Cook has spoken with Melissa about scheduling Connie over at the office more often. The Board agreed.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-357**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves the Fire Department to purchase handheld gas meters for each truck not to exceed the amount of $1,700.00.

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

Assistant Chief Adams informed the Board that the fire department would be reimbursed the cost of these handheld gas meters. The Fire department has been approved for a grant for the handheld gas meters. Vice-Chairman Fleshman recommended that Adams create a spreadsheet to show the Township of how much money he saves the Township with these grants. Assistant Chief Adams said he already does this.

The Board discussed the meetings being closed for December. This will allow office personnel to finish yearend paperwork. Lisa discussed the budget and how it is temporary until a certain time, the temporary budget was created in July. The Board agreed to close the meetings for December and have the first meeting January 12, 2017.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-358**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board allows the Fiscal Officer to pay all bills and payroll for the month of December 2016.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-349**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board agreed there will be no Regular Board meetings for the month of December. The meetings cancelled are December 1, December 15, and December 29. The next Regular Board meeting will be held on January 12, 2017.

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

The Board agreed that if there is a need for a special meeting then they could post it and call a special meeting.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-359**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board allows the Fiscal Officer to ask for an advance on the 2017 property taxes from the Franklin County Auditor’s Office, payable to Township as soon as funds are available.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-360**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves the Fire Department to carry over all unused holiday and comp time into the 2017 calendar year.

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

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-361**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves the Fire Department to purchase a 2002 Surrey Fire Safety Trailer from Govdeals, not to exceed $2500.00.

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

Trustee Horn asked about the amount. Chairman Cook informed Trustee Horn that the Union would reimburse $500.00 of the amount after it is spent.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-362**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board agreed to allow the Township Christmas party not to exceed the amount of $250.00.

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

Chairman Cook wants to show the appreciation of the Township for the work of the employees. The Board agreed.

Fire Department: Chief Welch thanked the audience members for their vote. Chief may have some equipment donated to allow the Township to educate the community and children of Fire Safety. Chief Welch discussed the health insurance. The Ohio insurance agent had come out to the meeting and gave us one week to choose an option. We have chosen option #2. The Board agreed. Fiscal Officer Lisa Morris informed the Board that Connie has paid the current bill.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-363**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board accepts the Ohio Insurance option # 2 for the Township Health insurance and authorizes the Chairman to sign the paperwork.

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

The Board agreed. Chief Welch discussed the garage door exhaust fan at Station 193. He called for an estimate from Columbus Door Sales they will fix it for $1,200.00. The Board agreed.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-364**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approved to pay Columbus Door Sales not to exceed the amount of $1,200.00.

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

Chief Welch discussed the billing from Valleyview. There was a discussion had. The Board agreed. Chief Welch is updating the Board of the Fire on Stimmel Road. There was a lot of assistance with this fire from other fire departments. We had 11 Engines from Columbus Fire. 1 Engine from Grandview Heights Fire, 6 Ladders from Columbus Fire Department, 2 Columbus Fire Department Medic’s, 2 Columbus Fire Department Rescues, 5 Columbus Fire Department Chiefs and 1 Tanker from Pleasant Township also, 2 Fire Investigators from Columbus Fire department and other assistance came from 1 ISU Unit, 1 Safety Officer, 1 Box fifteen truck. This is why we need automatic response. Chief Welch did a projection of his budget until December. He has estimated the need for an advance of $300.000.00. Chief Welch asked the Board for an advance from General Fund in the amount of $300,000.00. The Board agreed.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-365**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves an advance of $300,000.00 from General Fund to the Fire Department.

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

Assistant Chief Adams read a letter that he wrote to the residents of Franklin Township:

To the residents of Franklin Township,

On behalf of me, Chief Welch, and all of the members of the Franklin Township Fire Department, we would like to sincerely thank you for passing our fire levy. This levy has assured that Station 193 on frank Road will Continue to serve the residents of Franklin Township and also allows us to maintain the level of service you deserve. Chief Welch and I understand that paying more for the fire department was a difficult decision and please know that we do not take it lightly. We appreciate you trusting in the fire department’s administration, and that we will be excellent stewards of your hard earned money. We have managed to stretch every dollar as far as possible and we will continue to find ways to make every dollar count. If you ever want to know how we are spending your money, please do not hesitate to contact your fire department administration. Once again, Chief Welch and I would like to express our sincere gratitude for your support.

Sincerely Chas Adams

Asst. Chief

Chairman Cook would like the letter sent to the Westside Messenger to publish for the residents. The Board agreed. Assistant Chief Adams said that Franklin Township Fire department is no longer a revolving door, saying again; thank you to the residents from the Fire department. Assistant Chief Adams gave the run numbers for last month 794 incidents in October. Chairman Cook asked is there any questions for the fire department. There were no questions.

Police Department: Chief Smith is not in this evening. Jim Stevens will be sharing some information for the Police Department.

Road Department: Jim Stevens and the road crew mowed 118 properties and sent out over 186 letters for high grass this year. The house bill 50 fund is paid for upfront from the General Fund. Jim Stevens is requesting this money now to pay the road department. The Board agreed.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-366**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves a transfer from general fund not to exceed $50,000.00 to the road department for House Bill 50 mowing and other miscellaneous work.

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

Jim also announced that the road department would be extending the leaf pick-up for one week, due to the leaves have not fallen yet. Jim Stevens gave an update on the Sanitary Sewer. They are ahead of schedule. Everything is going great. Jim Stevens request quotes on the gutters for the pole barn and got no response. The first quote he got from DJ Gutters was the only offer and the gutters need done. Vice-Chairman Fleshman agreed that the gutters need to be done now before the weather gets bad. The Board agreed.

**Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.**

**Resolution # 16-367**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the Board approves to contract with DJ Gutters downspout, ice block and Gutters to place gutters on 192 Pole Barn not to exceed the amount of $2,500.00.

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

Jim Stevens needs a renewal of the agreement for a Solid Waste Hauling Renewal with Franklin County Public Health Dept. The Board agreed. Chairman Cook asked about the mosquito control bill. Jim is checking on that contract. Lisa will have a check ready by Friday, November 18, 2016. Jim Stevens reporting stats for Police Chief Smith: Accident Reports: 64, Citations: 121, Warnings: 31, Reports: 105, Dispatched Runs: 806, Pick Up Runs: 303, Miles Driven: 7696, Court Cases: 74, Officers Called in: 0, Auto Impounds: 42, Released: 34, Junked: 20, Fuel Used: 743.9

 Chairman Cook made a motion with no further business to discuss to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes. The meeting adjourned at 8:39PM.

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Don Cook, Chairman

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John Fleshman, Vice-Chairman

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Ralph Horn, Trustee

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Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer