

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Franklin Township

Regular Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

February 25, 2016

Chairman Cook called the Regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 PM on February 25, 2016 at 2193 Frank Rd.

Chairman Cook gave the welcome.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes.

Chairman Cook introduced Pastor Womack from Central Baptist Church. Pastor Womack led in a prayer for the Township. Chairman Cook announced that the Pastors would alternate meetings.

Chairman Cook made a motion to table the minutes.

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

Guest Speaker: Spencer Gross the Public Affairs Liaison from the State Treasurer Josh Mandell's Office, he would like to share information with the Board and the community about the Ohio Check Book. The checkbook will be an online feature to make the budget of the Township available to the community. A discussion was had.

Chairman Cook made a motion to table the Resolution for the Check Book. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes.

Fiscal Officer Lisa Morris would like to meet with Spencer to discuss the topic further.

Guest Speaker: Dan Downing from the Friends of the Hilltop has flyers and a report for the Township about the trees and the mowing of the property. They are going to feed 16 trees that belong to the Township at no cost to the Township. They have also requested to move some of the dead trees. Chairman Cook let Dan know that the State is responsible for the trees he wants to move and he would have to ask for their permission.

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

Bills and Payroll

Resolution # 16-040

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio that the Board approves payroll in the amount of \$112,183.41 and bills in the amount of \$31,404.70 for a total of \$143,588.11 From check #39133 to check #39273.

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

Purchase Orders: EMS 16-506 Physio Control-M193 monitor replacement pouch \$65.60, 16-505 Zettler Hardware-Supplies \$59.10 Fire Department 16-045 WWWilliams-E193 Diagnosis \$250.00, 16-046 Finley-Air pack testing \$768.00, 16-043 Turkey Hill-Gift Card for training assistance at the Fire House \$50.00 General Fund 16-022 Westland Post Office-postage stamps \$49.00 Police Department 16-17 Mcdowell Mechanics LLC-Repairs to Police cars 306, 302, 308, \$790.00 16-18 AAA Polygraph Services-Pre employment screening for Tyler Walker \$150.00, 16-16 Structure Marketing-10,000 False Alarm Tags \$603.00, 16-14 Galls-Crime Scene Tape \$76.74 Road Department 16-29 K-Mart-Work Jeans for Tom, Ron, Jim 2 pair each, \$61.98, 16-20 Auto Zone- Socket set for rounded off bolts \$24.62, 16-27 Earls Truck Service-Circuit Braker for International 7400 Heater, \$13.79, 16-28 Frank Road Recycling-Disposal of dirt pile behind shop \$325.00, 16-26 Jim Keim Ford-Replace Fuel Pump on F-550.

Fire Department: Chief Welch reported there was a traffic accident involving one of the medics. Chief said the report from Hortons is that the medic is totaled due to frame damages. Chief said that he has two fire fighters leaving the department. Jerry Newton is retiring from the department. He has written a letter that Chief would like to read in the minutes.

Jerry wrote a letter to the Township, "Dear Franklin Township after 25 years of dedicated service to the Franklin Township community I am retiring this letter is to inform you that my last day will be March 11, 2016. I want to thank the people of Franklin Township for allowing me to serve this community." Sincerely Jerry Newton

Chairman Cook made a motion to accept Jerry Newton's retirement effective March 11, 2016. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes.

The second person is Vince Converse. He is moving on to Jerome Township. He has a letter of resignation written to the Township,

"I am writing to inform you of my two week notice I am resigning as a member of the Franklin Township Fire Department. My last day of employment will be February 27, 2016. I will be leaving to take a position with Jerome Township division of Fire. I want to take a moment to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the opportunity you have given me over the last seven years. The lessons learned and experiences have made me a better firefighter and paramedic and will help guide me as I continue my career. "

Chairman Cook made a motion to accept James Converse's letter of resignation. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes.

Chief Welch has already chosen two new Firefighters from the established list of Firefighters. He is looking to bring them on by the end of March.

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Chief Welch would like to switch gas vendors. He wants to switch from speedway to Wex quick fuel.

Road Department: Superintendent Jim Stevens is not in attendance.

Chairman Cook moved for the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolution # 16-044

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board Authorizes Superintendent Jim Stevens of the Road Department to contact Grove City Tree Service to cut down trees on Forest Drive not to exceed the cost of \$3200.00 as long as the trees are within the right-of-way.

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

Police Chief Smith would like to nominate a Police Officer of the year for 2015. He wants to recognize a local business for their service to the community and the Police Department. He would like to nominate Brown Tires.

Chairman Cook made a motion to let Chief Police Byron Smith nominate a business from the Township for an award and nominate an Officer of the year award. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes.

The Board announced that there would be a Budget Meeting on Friday, March 4, 2016 at 10:00 am.

There was a discussion about the vendors and bills. There was a discussion about the title of the new employee.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman wanted to ask about Trustee Ralph Horn's supplemental insurance because he wants to keep his current health insurance he wanted to see if the Township could cover the cost of his supplemental insurance. The attorney said that he feels the Township needs to check on this with the Auditor. Lisa said she would check on this. Chairman Cook would like to sign a letter of support for a grant for Green lawn Abby. Greenlawn Abby is an old Mausoleum with 550 crypts. It is on the national registry as an historical building.

Chairman Cook made a motion to sign a letter of support for Green lawn Abby. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes.

Chairman Cook said the Township has been advised that the Township has to send a letter to the Ohio Conservation fund that we are going to withdraw our application.

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Chairman Cook made a motion to withdraw the application from the Ohio Conservation fund. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes.

Chairman Cook announced that the Superintendent Jim Stevens of the Road department would have a phone conference and he will be on the call with Jim about the old ODOT agreement. The next meeting would move to Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 6:30 pm. We lost the property at 3550 Briggs Road because the County Prosecutor's Office did not return our phone calls in time.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman explained that the property owner wanted to get the property out of their name quicker than we could get the documents approved.

Trustee Ralph Horn wants to get a letter over to the County Engineer about the drainage problem at Harmon School. He also wants to get in touch with North Franklin Elementary School about the property. Chairman Cook wants to have a Township cleanup day. He said they have discussed it in the past and it did not work out. He said he would like to try again. The Board has decided to make a resolution at the next meeting to have a cleanup day. Trustee Horn would like the information posted in the next News Letter. Trustee Horn asked Vice-Chairman Fleshman about an email concerning the Richmond Road property. He wants to assist Fleshman with getting that property cleaned up without a charge to the property owner.

Chairman Cook made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Cook, yes, Horn, yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Don Cook, Chairman

John Fleshman, Vice-Chairman

Ralph Horn, Trustee

Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer