

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held September 13, 2017

The Franklin Township Trustees held a regularly scheduled meeting on September 13, 2017 at 6 p.m. Trustee Ronald Ruppert, Trustee Brian Morris, Trustee Beth Callahan, Fiscal Office Scot Fromeyer, and Administrator Traci Stivers, were all in attendance.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to approve the minutes for the August 24, 2017 meeting. Mrs. Callahan seconded this motion.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Scheduled Visitors:

Joe Garrett, Trebel LLC – Came to present to the board the bids received for natural gas.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to accept the bid from Constellation, at rate not to exceed .06.26 cents and for an 18-month term. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Doug Greathouse, 41 West 6th St. Franklin, OH 45005, Came to inform the board about the history of the Robert E. Lee Monument.

Donald Whisman, 833 Forest Ave. Franklin, OH 45005, Spoke to the board to express his concerns and wanted to know the board’s future plans for the Robert E. Lee Monument.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Mrs. Callahan made a motion to approve the 2018 Holiday Calendar for Franklin Township. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Mrs. Stivers brought to the board a request from the Warren County Drug Task Force for a donation. Mr. Ruppert and Mr. Morris stated we should table this at the moment and look into our finances with our Fiscal Officer Scot Fromeyer and then revisit and make a discussion at a later date.

A fire contract renewal with the City of Middletown was discussed. There are no changes to the contract, just a renewal. Mr. Ruppert is concerned with the contract being a 10-year term and wants Mrs. Stivers to go back and discuss with the City of Middletown a shorter or a termination clause.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to approve Beggars Night for October 31, 2017 from 6pm – 8pm. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to approve Resolution No. 01-09132017 declaring 7068 Main St. a nuisance due to tall weeds/grass. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

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Mr. Ruppert made a motion to approve Resolution No. 02-09132017 declaring 9093 Heritage Rd. a nuisance to tall weeds/grass. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Mrs. Stivers proposed three new policies; Social Media, Personal Appearance, & Electronic Mail System. Mr. Ruppert asked the board to table this matter until he could further review the policies.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to hire Adam Hackney as a full-time cemetery laborer, on a six-month probationary period, at a rate of \$14.50 an hour. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Road Report:

Mr. Rose informed Mrs. Stivers that roadcrews have been working on the berm repair on Chamberlain Rd. Also, they have been weed eating at the cemetery this week and the cemetery is looking great.

Fire Report:

Chief Steve Bishop informed Mrs. Stivers that the fire crews have had 11 runs this month. Also, they have been out working with the community, informing and discussing our new fire levy. Mrs. Stivers informed the board that both our fire houses, Station 19 & Station 20 will be hosting an open house on October 14, 2017 from 10am-2pm.

Cemetery Report:

Mr. Bishop informed Mrs. Stivers that the cemetery crew has done 5 funerals this month. Also, they have been busy mowing and trimming the grass.

Administrative Report:

Mrs. Stivers brought to the board several items to discuss and inform the board on:

1. Mrs. Stivers informed the board that there was a BZA hearing regarding Union Park that didn't go as planned. The BZA is going to be scheduling another hearing at a later date. Mrs. Stivers and Mike Yetter are working together on this project.
2. Mrs. Stivers informed the board that she is currently still working on the BARK-Tober fest and things are going good. She did inform the board that the Doggie Dash is cancelled due to no one signed up. The proceeds were going to be donated to WC Humane Association.
3. Mrs. Stivers is still currently working on the new employee handbook and it will be done at a later time.
4. Mrs. Stivers informed the board that both senior buses are up and in working form.
5. Mrs. Stivers stated that the new report from OTARMA had come into the office and she would have that for them to look over if the board wanted to.
6. Mrs. Stivers informed the board that she has been informed by the county that the commissioners are going to start traveling around the county and having meetings. The meeting will be held at our location on December 14, 2017 at 5p.m.

Fiscal Report:

Mrs. Callahan made a motion to approve the payment listing excluding the Deardoff Center payment. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Callahan - Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes
Mr. Ruppert - Abstain Motion Carried.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to approve the payment for the Deardoff Center. Mr. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Abstain Motion Carried.

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Mr. Ruppert made a motion to accept the remaining reports. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert -Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Visitors:

Danny Bowman, 4150 Back Lane, Issued concerns with the lane where he lives washing away and would like the lane to become dedicated. Mr. Morris stated to him that the board would try and look into it and work with the county to get an estimate.

Robert Fisher, 6419 Hamilton-Middletown Rd., Wanted to thank the road crew on such great snow plowing service in the winter months. Also, he wanted to offer his property to the board for them to consider putting the Robert E. Lee Monument on.

Comments by Individual Board Members:

None

Executive Session:

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to go into an executive session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss considering appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. Also, to consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to return to the Regular Session at 7:16 p.m. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to schedule a disciplinary hearing for volunteer firefighter Tyler Rolston at the next scheduled meeting for September 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to adjourn at 7:17p.m. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert – Yes
Mrs. Callahan – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes Motion Carried.



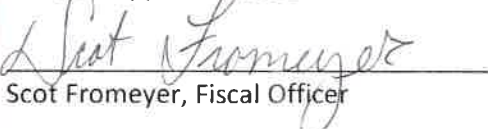
Brian Morris, President



Beth Callahan, Trustee



Ronald Ruppert, Trustee



Scot Fromeyer, Fiscal Officer