

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Franklin Township Trustees

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held

April 8

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The Franklin Township Board of Trustees met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2020. House Bill 197 took effect on March 27, 2020. One piece of that bill allowed for the suspension of in person public meetings. The provision will be in effect for the length of the emergency declared by Governor DeWine's executive order 2020-10D or until December 1, 2020. The provision authorizes members of public bodies to attend meetings or hearings, vote, and be callous for farm purposes for meetings or hearings on attending via teleconference, video conference, or similar electronics technology. And the actions taken by public body conducting the meeting or hearings via digital technology have the same affect as those taking them during in person meetings. In accordance with that provision, Franklin Township elected officials and staff are attending tonight's meeting via videoconference. In attendance were Trustees Centers, Jennings and Morris, Fiscal Officer Fromeyer, Administrator Stivers, Road Superintendent Rose, Cemetery Superintendent Bishop and Chief Hannigan.

The meeting commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS: None

HR BUSINESS:

Mrs. Stivers gave a quick update of the tele-working policy, stating that it had been distributed to department heads but due to the remote work situation not all employees have had the opportunity to sign it yet.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion ensued regarding the previously planned purchase of the 2020 GMC Sierra 3500 for Woodhill Cemetery and the 2020 GMC Sierra 1500 for the road maintenance department. While both vehicles are needed, due to the fact that many Americans are out of work and our next tax distribution check may see an impact, the Board agreed to table these purchases.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Morris made a motion for the renewal of the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority insurance policy at a cost of \$41,050.00. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
Mr. Jennings – Yes
Mr. Centers – Yes Motion carried.

ROAD REPORT:

Mr. Rose gave the quarterly report which included:

- The road department had utilized between 300-400 tons of road salt during the winter months. Due to the mild winter the Township saved a lot of money and used a lot less salt than is typical.
- Road crews worked a total of 116 hours of overtime, again down due to the mild winter.
- Ten work orders were completed and 15 road signs were replaced or repaired.

CEMETERY REPORT:

Mr. Bishop gave the quarterly report which included:

- 13 graves were sold.
- 25 burials were conducted.
- 6 foundations were sold and installed.

FIRE REPORT:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Mrs. Stivers gave the quarterly report which included:

- 43% of calls into the Admin building are zoning in nature.
- 30% of calls into the Admin building are road in nature; drainage, street repairs, street lights, right-of-ways, etc.

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- The remainder of calls are attributed to other departments such as taxes, transportation, etc.
- Transportation stats are as follows:
 - 68 disabled residents transports
 - 279 senior citizen transports
 - 786 trips total
 - 2,535 miles driven total
 - Mrs. Stivers indicated that only 2 of the 3 vehicles have a detailed log kept due to grant requirements.
- CDBG grant received for the paving and repair of Hill Ave, Maple Ave, Linwood Dr, Catskill Dr, and Joseph Dr. Total acquired \$87,600.00
- Franklin Township Fire awarded \$3,000 by the State Fire Marshall's office to pay for training.
- New webpage to assist residents and business owners with Coronavirus relief.

FISCAL REPORT:

Mr. Jennings made a motion to approve the payment listing dated April 8, 2020. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Jennings – Yes
Mr. Morris – Yes
Mr. Centers – Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the remaining fiscal reports. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes

Mr. Jennings – Yes
Mr. Centers – Yes Motion carried.

COMMENTS BY INDIVIDUAL TRUSTEES:

Mr. Morris said he'd like to not lose sight of the park land that the county owns on Franklin-Trenton Rd and that he'd still like to see something done with that land.

Mr. Jennings said that he had assisted Jason Heys, HYRA, with a grant application to do some park improvements and that they had been denied.

Mr. Centers told the other Trustees that he had the opportunity to speak with Commissioner Grossman regarding the counties decision to not declare a state of emergency. That at this point he doesn't see a need for the Township to declare one, or the County, since we already have access to the things that declaring a state of emergency would give us access to.

Mr. Morris made a motion to adjourn at 6:34PM. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris – Yes
Mr. Jennings – Yes
Mr. Centers – Yes Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held April 22, 2020 at 6PM via Zoom.

Attest: 
Scot Fromeyer, Fiscal Officer