

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Franklin Township Trustees

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held April 23, 20 16

The Franklin Township Board of Trustees met on April 23, 2016 at 6 p.m. Trustee Ron Ruppert, Trustee Brian Morris and Fiscal Officer Scot Fromeyer were present. Trustee Callahan was absent.

Additionally, Administrator Traci Stivers, Road Superintendent Rob Rose and Cemetery Superintendent Steve Bishop were in attendance.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Ruppert gave Fiscal Officer Fromeyer the oath of office. Mr. Fromeyer completed the swearing in process.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2016 meeting. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes
Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion Carried.

VISITORS:

Joy Broedling, Howard Drive, spoke to the board. She stated that the Trustees have used the township as a "piggy bank" for the City of Franklin's projects. She stated that the township is avoiding making a decision regarding the fire department and that the township needs to make the fire department a priority. Mr. Ruppert and Mr. Morris both said that they were contacted by Carlisle elected officials and they are planning to meet to discuss fire options.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mrs. Stivers said she had spoken to legal counsel. He advised her that there was no real difference between accepting donations as the township or accepting them through a 501(c)(3) organization. Mrs. Stivers said that we would not run into a conflict of interest unless we accepted a very large donation. If the trustees had no objections Mrs. Stivers would move forward with implementing a PayPal system on our website. The trustees offered no objections.

Stivers said she had research tennis courts and found that 20 years is the average that a tennis court will last before meeting to be completely redone. Our tennis courts were last completed in 1997 which was 19 years ago, however, because of drainage problems that we have experienced at the park they are worn beyond their years. Mrs. Stivers said she was in the process of getting new quotes.

The building was discussed. Mrs. Stivers refreshed the boards memory and said that she had gotten quotes in the winter and the trustees had approved a quote from Ohio Painting company. They began painting Mrs. Stivers realized that they had put the meeting room on a separate quote, Which had not been approved by the board. When she realizes this fact she brought it to the boards attention and they asked her to wait until after appropriations in 2016 to decide what to do. Mr. Morris would like Mrs. Stivers to get new quotes.

The Park fee schedule was discussed. Mrs. Stivers said that the board had previously stated they wanted to look at the HYRA contract. Mr. Ruppert said that we need to consider a lot of variables. Mr. Morris asked what other entities are doing. Mrs. Stiver's said that the City of Franklin rents their ball fields out for \$100 a game, but they do not rent their park or shelters. Although, shelters can be reserved. The Village of Carlisle rents their shelters for around \$30 for a 3 hour period and electricity is an additional cost. Different type of organizations were discussed and different options were discussed. Mr. Morris asked Mrs. Stivers to ask Miami Township about how the handle rentals. Mr. Ruppert said for Mrs. Stivers to continue working on this.

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Nic Lamb requested to receive pay in lieu of his unused vacation time and he'll be cashing out 25% of his unused sick time when his resignation takes affect.

Mr. Ruppert made the motion to approve this.

Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert - Yes

Mr. Morris - Yes Motion carried.

Mrs. Stivers said that Warren County Drug Task Force had requested a donation.

Mr. Morris made a motion to donate \$11,000.00 to the Warren County Drug Task Force.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes

Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

Mrs. Stivers brought up the possibility of a Christmas Festival. Se stated that she had spoken with Mr. Morris during the week, and she knew that he was in favor, but she wanted to ensure that at least one other trustee was in favor before putting a lot of time into it. Mr. Ruppert said that he was in favor. Mrs. Stivers will begin making plans.

Discussion took place regarding where to have the event. Due to storage, bathroom facilities, and electric concerns it was determined that Franklin Township Administrative Offices would be the best place.

A spring festival was discussed for Carmody Park in future years. It was agreed that we need to get a Christmas festival established first.

Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt Resolution 01-03232016 authorizing the Road Superintendent to declare a street a no parking zone for the purpose of street repairs and maintenance.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes

Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

Senior transportation was discussed. Mrs. Stivers said that the senior bus was constantly booked and she'd like approval to increase the bus drivers hours as she see fit, so long as she keeps the drivers in a part time status, to avoid paying benefits or any of the accompanying costs. Mrs. Stivers stated that she had presented the Trustees with a 5 year plan for the senior department at the Appropriation meeting several weeks back. She also included that spreadsheet in tonights packet. She had planned for this increase and more in that 5 year plan and there is ample funds to sustain this change. Mr. Ruppert and Mr. Morris had no objections.

Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt Resolution 02-03232016 authorizing Mrs. Stivers to enter a contract with the Warren County Engineer's Office for the purpose of bidding for road salt.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes

Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

Road Report;

Mr. Rose said a culvert was replaced across from River Arms Apartments. During the process a tool was broken, likely from old age, and had to be replaced. It was above Mr. Rose's spending limit so Mrs. Stivers approved the expense. The Trustees will see that on an upcoming payment listing.

Mr. Morris asked about waiter main breaks, he was curious who pays for those repairs. Mrs. Stivers said that the county pays for those. Mr. Rose said in general, whoever cuts the road pays for the repairs.

Mr. Morris also said that there is an area behind the Twin Creek Station, across the tracks that there is a bit of a mud pit. Heavy rains make the road muddy. He asked if it's

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a CSX issue or a township issue. Mr. Rose said that we've fixed it before, but it's CSX's land. Guardrails and adding large gravel was discussed, Mr. Rose will talk with CSX and try to get it resolved.

Cemetery Report:

Mr. Bishop said that they've had a lot of funerals. They are doing foundation work in the coming weeks and have already had to mow. Mr. Bishop said they are extremely busy and he needs help. Mrs. Stivers said that they hope to have someone chosen and on the next agenda.

Fire Report:

Chief Bishop said that things have been slow. Mrs. Stivers applied for the MORE grant to get some new reflective jackets for the fire fighters.

Administrative Report:

Mrs. Stivers stated that HYRA had renewed their insurance for another year, meeting one of the terms of their contract.

Sheriff Simms had contacted Mrs. Stivers about the new funding policy. Warren County Drug Task Force is enrolled in the Ohio checkbook.com program and he wondered if that would be sufficient for meeting the requirements. Mrs. Stivers told him she was confident that it would.

The Community Recycling Day is scheduled for June 25th. Mrs. Stivers said that it's an additional \$600 do to oil recycling. She wondered if the trustees were in favor of adding oil recycling. Mr. Morris asked about tire recycling. Mrs. Stivers said that tire recycling is extremely expensive, as is electronics recycling. Mr. Ruppert asked about paint recycling, he thought that might be a better service than oil. Mrs. Stivers said she would look into that, but hadn't as of yet because the county offers it. Mr. Morris said we should use this as an educational event, to inform residents where they can dispose of these things. The trustees said that they are in favor of doing oil, but they also want Mrs. Stivers to continue looking into tire recycling.

Fiscal Report;

Mr. Fromeyer presented the financial reports.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the fiscal officer's reports as presented.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes
Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion at 7:01p.m. to enter executive session to discuss the promotion of personnel and the acquisition of land.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes
Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion at 7:07p.m. to return to regular session.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes
Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to purchase land at 816 Union Rd at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00

Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ruppert - Yes
Mr. Morris - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Ruppert explained that this land is being donated to the township. The cost of \$3,000.00 is to pay back taxes, the cost associated with transferring the deed, etc. Mrs. Stivers has acquired a grant to pay for the demolition of the structure on this land.

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Mr. Morris made a motion to promote Firefighter Chris Hertel to Lieutenant with Lieutenant's pay, effective April 1st.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes
Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.

Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes
Mr. Ruppert - Yes Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be on April 13th, 2016 at 6 p.m.



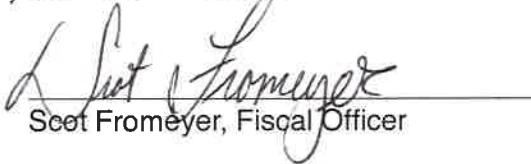
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