

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held August 24, _____ 20 17

The Franklin Township Board of Trustees met on Thursday, August 24th, 2017 at 6 p.m. Trustee Ruppert, Trustee Morris, Trustee Callahan, Administrator Stivers and Fiscal Officer Fromeyer were all in attendance.

Sheriff Larry Sims led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sheriff Sims began the meeting by reading a list of rules of conduct for the meeting. Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt the rules as read by Sheriff Sims. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2017 meeting. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes

Mr. Ruppert - Yes
Mrs. Callahan - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 31, 2017 meeting. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes

Mr. Ruppert - Yes
Mrs. Callahan - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the minutes of the 2nd meeting that took place July 31, 2017. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Visitors:

Back Story: On August 16, 2017 staff became aware of a road marker containing Robert E Lee's name being featured in a blog out of Columbus, Ohio. WCSO intel indicated a protest/rally was planned for August 19, 2017. On August 17, 2017 Franklin Township Administrator released a statement that the township had not discussed the marker and no action would be taken. Later in the day on August 17, 2017 township staff learned from WC Engineer that the marker was in the City of Franklin's right-of-way. Franklin Township Administrator released a statement saying as much. The City of Franklin released a statement that the marker would be moved since it was in the right - of - way and the marker would be given back to the township. That action did take place.

Shawn Dawson, 110 Fairview Drive, Carlisle, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again.

Lee Ann Brewer, 5728 Decker Road, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again.

Diana Neilson, 4456 State Route 123, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again.

Susan Richardson, 8284 Martz - Paulin Road, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again.

Paul Ruppert, Franklin City Council member, spoke to the reasoning behind the removal of the monument.

Samantha Carr, 771 S. Main Street, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again. She stated that this is a national issue, and what we do may effect other communities around the nation, as we're setting an example.

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Robert Fischer Sr., 6847 Hill Avenue Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again. He also offered his property as a home for the monument.

Donnie Watkins, 86 Stanton Ct, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again.

Brandy Bailes, 128 Boulder Drive, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again.

Jason Harville, 5978 Olive Road, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again. He works for Warren County and wondered why the county doesn't get a say in what happens to the monument.

Mike Paulson, address unknown, spoke of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again. He also stated his support for the Board

Wilma Pennington, 6791 S. Dixie Highway, spoke of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again. She also offered some of her property as a home for the monument.

Candy Bailes, Todd Road, Franklin, Ohio asked if the city was in the township. Mrs. Callahan indicated that the City is in the township. She stated that she thought that the officials had made the right decisions regarding the monument, that it was smart to not reveal where it is. S

Debbie Fouts, Franklin City Council member, clarified that it was the city's decision to remove the monument and the city actually physically removed the monument.

Trustee Morris told the crowd to remember situations like these when casting their votes in November.

Jesse Ward, 1304 Royal Avenue, Northeast Canton, Ohio asked for clarification about who has the monument, and whether it would go back up. Trustee Ruppert said while he personally doesn't know where it is, he has been assured that the township has possession and it is in a safe location.

Robert Fischer JR., 30 Street, Franklin, Ohio asked if the City Manager was elected. The Board said no, that is an appointed position. Mr. Fischer asked how Mr. Lewis has kept his job if he hasn't been doing it for the last 12 years. Mr. Ruppert said thats not for the Board of Trustees to comment on. Mrs. Stivers stated that Mr. Lewis has bent over backwards to assist her in protecting the monument and dealing with all the backlash this week and he's doing everything he can to make this situation right.

5709 Manchester Road, Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again.

Kathy Fischer, 6847 Hill Ave., Franklin, Ohio spoke in favor of letting the monument stay in it's original location, or at the very least displaying it for the public again. She said she understood that the City Manager was only trying to protect the community and the employees from outside protestors.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Mrs. Callahan thanked Mrs. Stivers for all of her work over the last week, saying that Mrs. Stivers did an amazing job. Mr. Ruppert said that he seconded that. Mr. Morris agreed. Mr. Ruppert said that Mrs. Stivers had been a shield during this time, protecting the elected officials and the township and taking all the heat. Paul Ruppert, Franklin City Council member said that the City felt the same way and were very grateful to Mrs. Stivers. Mrs. Stivers said that there had been great collaboration with City officials.

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Administrator Stivers recommends hiring Mark Nenninger as a senior transportation driver at a rate of \$10.50 an hour, on a six month probationary period. Mr. Morris made a motion to move forward with Mrs. Stivers' recommendation. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Chief Bishop recommends hiring Don Spahn as a volunteer firefighter, on a six month probationary period, without pay. Mr. Ruppert made a motion to move forward with Chief Bishop's recommendation. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

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

Chief Bishop recommends hiring Seth Adams as a volunteer firefighter, on a six month probationary period, with pay. Mr. Morris made a motion to move forward with Chief Bishop's recommendation. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

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

Road Superintendent Rob Rose requested to roll over 80 hours of vacation time. Mr. Ruppert made a motion to allow the request. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

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

Road Laborer Kevin Jennings requested to roll over 80 hours of vacation time. Mr. Ruppert made a motion to allow the request. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 01-08242017 declaring parcel #0205153016 a nuisance due to tall weeds/grass. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 02-08242017 declaring parcel #0205326012 a nuisance due to tall weeds/grass. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 03-08242017 declaring parcel #00206426013 a nuisance due to tall weeds/grass. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 04-08242017 approving the assessment of street lighting for the year 2017. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the quote to use South Dayton Spouting & Siding for a total of 2021.00 to replace gutters on Station 20. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Morris - Yes
Mr. Bishop - Yes
Mrs. Callahan - Yes Motion carried.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approval of a purchase of twelve firefighter helmets at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve Resolution No. 05-08242017 authorizing Mrs, Stivers to act as a representative with OPEC to choose a plan administrator for the employees health insurance. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Road Report:

Mr. Rose sent a report in his absence. Mr. Rose reports that Pennyroyal was paved by the WC Water & Sewer Department. He is working to get a quote on gutter plates for Knollbrook

Cemetery Report:

Mr. Bishop sent a report in his absence. Mr. Bishop has had six funerals this month. He has had to take some extra precautions as a result of the planned protests for that area, which resulted in some time consuming activities. He is also still meeting with mausoleum contractors to get quotes on the repairs needed.

Fire Report:

Chief Bishop sent a report in his absence. The fire department has had 14 runs this month. Mrs. Stivers indicated that she, Fiscal Officer Fromeyer, Chief Bishop and Assistant Chief Daly have been meeting to work on fire levy presentations and community meetings.

Fiscal Report:

Mr. Fromeyer said that since we only had one meeting this month, some of the bills were late and the payment listing is very high because it's bills for the entire month, plus the road paving bill arrived. Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the payment listing. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Fromeyer said there was a discrepancy in the bank statement because an employee had deposited a check using mobile deposit. Months later that employee took the check to a different bank and cashed it. Mrs. Stivers stated that the employee had been terminated prior to this happening. The bank has adjusted the error and we balance.

Mr. Fromeyer stated that road and bridge funds are dwindling and we need to be observant when spending from those funds.

Mr. Fromeyer went over all other reports.

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to approve the fiscal reports. Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

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

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Mr. Fromeyer stated that he had attended a budget meeting with the County Auditor. He said that the county is re-evaluating the properties in 2018, as is routine, and revenues will see a slight increase.

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the Official Certificate of Budget. Mr. Ruppert seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Fromeyer said that he had an agreed upon audit, it came back clean with no findings. Mr. Fromeyer asked that Mrs. Callahan sign it, as she is the President of the Board.

Administrative Report:

Mrs. Stivers reminded the board that she would be attending a Board of Zoning Appeals meeting to try to get Union Road park approved, since it doesn't meet set back requirements. She said that Inspector Mike Yetter doesn't see any cause for concern. BARK-Tober Fest is fast approaching. Mrs. Stivers said that they'd like to give Doggie Dash profits to the WC Humane Association.

Comments By Individual Board Members:

Mr. Ruppert - None

Mr. Morris thanked the visitors for sticking around.

Mrs. Callahan said that she would like to resign as Board President, simply to give Mr. Morris a chance to get comfortable before she and Mr. Ruppert are gone. Mr. Ruppert made a motion to accept Mrs. Callahan's resignation as Board President. Mr. Morris seconded.

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


Mr. Ruppert nominated Mr. Morris as President of the Board. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Ruppert made a motion to adjourn at 8:53pm. Mrs. Callahan seconded the motion.

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

The next meeting will be September 13, 2017 at 6:00pm.

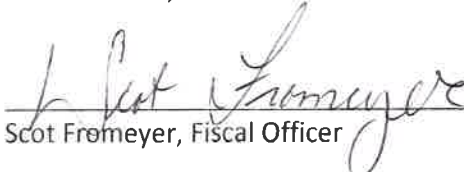


Brian Morris, President



Ronald Ruppert, Trustee

Beth Callahan, Trustee



Scot Fromeyer, Fiscal Officer