

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY

December 11, 2007

OPENING

The Board of Trustees of Jackson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, met in regular session on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, with a time change to 7:30 p.m. at the Jackson Township Administration Building, 3756 Hoover Road, Grove City, Ohio. Mr. Lotz, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order and invited those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed, and Mr. Bowshier gave the opening prayer.

ROLL CALL

David Burris	Absent
William Lotz	Present
Stephen Bowshier	Present
Alma Bennett	Present

The following reports prepared by Mrs. Bennett were presented to the Board: Fund Status, Expenditure Account Status, Warrant Register, Memos of Expenditure and Bank Reconciliation.

FRANKLIN CO DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Lee Brown and Ben Weiner were present to report to the Board about the Southwest Area Plan and referred to the written handout. The planning area boundaries are Mound Street on the north; the Scioto River on the east, the south outerbelt on the south; and Harrisburg Pike on the west. In that planning area there are Franklin Township, the City of Columbus, and Jackson Township. The County Development Department has been working very closely with the City of Columbus over the past several years as opposed to previous to that. The area is about 55%-60% Columbus and 40-45% unincorporated. It does not make sense for any of the jurisdictions to do a plan by themselves so the County is coordinating. They explained that each jurisdiction within the boundaries will have representation and input into the Plan. This will provide for a framework and plan for future development. Its focus is on land use. He noted a willingness to cooperate between the jurisdictions. The Southwest Area Commission is essentially acting as a client with the County. The Southwest Commission will be an appointing authority, to appoint representatives from the different jurisdictions to form a working committee. Trustee Bowshier expressed concern that there would be 13 votes and only 1 or 2 from Jackson Township. Mr. Weiner stated that in his experience these working committees usually work well together, and it usually does not come down to one faction against another. They are pretty good about reaching a consensus.

RESOLUTION 2007-122

Mr. Lotz moved to delete the reading and to approve the minutes for the November 27, 2007 regular meeting. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2007-123

Mr. Lotz moved to pay payroll, pay all bills and approve purchase orders for December 11 and December 25, 2007. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

OLD BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2007-91

Resolution 2007-91 remains tabled.

RESOLUTION 2007-118

Resolution 2007-118 remains tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2007-124

Mr. Lotz read Resolution 2007-124 and moved that all cash balances be encumbered and re-appropriated into respective categories to make a Temporary Appropriation Budget for the first months of 2008. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2007-125

Mr. Lotz read Resolution 2007-125 and moved to accept the Temporary Appropriation Certificates prepared and presented by the Fiscal Officer. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2007-126

Mr. Lotz moved to request advancement of taxes from the Franklin County Auditor for FY 2008. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2007-127

Mr. Bowshier moved to update emergency ambulance transport fees for 2008 in accordance with the inflation factor of the Department of Health and Human Services, an increase of 2.7%. Mr. Lotz seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2007-128

Mr. Bowshier moved to re-appoint Mr. Jim O'Harra to the Jackson Township Zoning Commission, whose term expires December 31, 2007 and who is re-appointed for a five year term ending December 31, 2012. The Board appreciates his willingness to serve. Mr. Lotz seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2007-129

Mr. Lotz read Resolution 2007-129 and moved to provide for line item transfer of supplemental appropriation of funds. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. Mr. Lilly explained that fringe is the line item that we use for pay increases, vacation cash-outs, sick leave cash outs. When we did the bonus, those monies are in the fringe line account. In order to get those monies paid they had to be transferred from the fringe account to the salary account. Money is being moved from the fire fund fringe to other fire funds in order to cover bills that will come due in January. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2007-130

Mr. Lotz moved to authorize the Township to pick up the statutorily required contribution to the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio for the employees of the Township. Mr. Lotz explained that this is something we must do to satisfy PERS requirements. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Sheets presented a report in Caucus and presented the Board with a written report.

ZONING & ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Lilly presented a report in Caucus and presented the Board with a written report. He thanked the Road Department for their work in keeping the roads cleared of ice and snow last week.

SWEARING IN

Mr. Lotz and Ms. Bennett swore in Stephen Bowshier as Trustee during caucus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Lotz announced the next regular meeting of the Jackson Township Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, January 8, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. Caucus will begin at 12:45 p.m. Mr. Lotz explained that he would miss the meetings in January, but will be present for the first meeting in February.

RESOLUTION 2007-121

Mr. Lotz moved to adjourn. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

Alma Bennett, Fiscal Officer

William Lotz, Vice-Chairman