

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY

April 27, 2010

OPENING

The Board of Trustees of Jackson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, at the Jackson Township Administration Building, 3756 Hoover Road, Grove City, Ohio. Mr. Burris opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and invited those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Burris gave the opening prayer.

ROLL CALL

David Burris	Present
Stephen Bowshier	Absent
Daphne Hawk	Present
William Forrester	Present

RESOLUTION 2010-53

Mr. Burris moved to delete the reading and to approve the minutes for the April 12, 2010, special meeting and the April 13, 2010 regular meeting. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2010-54

Mr. Burris moved to accept the following reports as prepared and presented to the Board by Fiscal Officer William Forrester: Fund Status, Expenditure Account Status, Warrant Register, and Memos of Expenditure. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2010-55

Mr. Burris moved to pay payroll, pay all bills and approve purchase orders for April 27, 2010 and May 11, 2010. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2010-56

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2010-56 and moved to approve the nomination of William Lotz to serve as representative for the Franklin County townships on the SWACO Board of Trustees. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2010-57

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2010-57 and moved to arrange for removal of noxious weeds and high grasses on properties in Jackson Township. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2010-58

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2010-58 and moved to renew the group medical plan with Medical Benefits Administrators. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ZONING & ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Lilly presented the Board with a report in caucus and also a written report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mary Ellen Reese, an attorney representing Mrs. Patty Sheets, addressed the Board.

Both Ms. Sheets and Ms. Reese attended the hearings of Firefighters Garvey and Harr on April 13; and given the testimony of those two firefighters, Mrs. Sheets would like to request that there be an investigation into the role that Trustee Hawk played in the actions of those firefighters in regard to the dissemination of her private medical information and also whether she properly and timely notified Mrs. Sheets and the other trustees of the publication of that information.

In addition to that, she would like to request that there be an investigation into whether or not Trustee Hawk improperly released information regarding the substance in the executive committee session.

Next, she would like to know what happened to her private medical information that was disseminated and would like to inquire whether there was ever an opinion sought regarding the public or private nature of the information that was disseminated and whether or not that information, or at least part of it, would have fallen under the medical records exception to RC 14943.

Mr. Burris stated that the Board will take her concerns into consideration. He understands the legal issues surrounding what is going on; but, as he has spoken to the chiefs and spoken to the administrator, the Township and fire department are moving on. This issue is behind us. It was behind us two weeks ago. He has directed them to move on. We will move on, but he understands this is a civil matter. Our fire department and the Township are moving in the right direction. We will move forward to make this a better community. The investigation

surrounding that is complete. He will take into consideration what Ms. Reese has said and will bring this to the attention of Mr. Bowshier. And they will discuss it. As far as Mr. Burris is concerned, there is no active investigation going on in Jackson Township. He has heard little mumblings about personnel files, etc. It is not Jackson Township. Jackson Township is moving on.

Ms. Reese would like to point out that Mrs. Sheets (she does appreciate and acknowledge the necessity for the fire department and the township to get on with its business) but it is important to understand from Mrs. Sheets' perspective, she is not involved in the political issues; she is not involved in the fire department issues. These are very personal and now they are a public matter, that have become disseminated and probably improperly and unfairly. That is why she is asking that the Trustees at least have a conversation about this, perhaps in the desire to avoid a full blown civil suit which could more seriously disrupt business.

Mr. Burris assured Ms. Reese that the Trustees will discuss this, and he assured Mrs. Sheets that he will see that the three Trustees get together when Mr. Bowshier is available and discuss what she has brought before the Board.

Another resident was present to discuss a curb cut on Hyde Road from Turkey Hill.

There is a lot of traffic back there. They see trucks back there, and she suggested to Mr. Lilly that if they want to make curb cuts in Hyde Road, why can't they extend Hyde Road back to Centerpoint which would allow people to come out and in either way. Otherwise, it is a bottle neck. Mr. Burris stated that they did discuss this and have not made permanent plans with that. He apologized for the delay. There has not been a final decision made.

Mr. Lilly talked to the developer (Skilkin) and stated that they would consider doing a loop drive, which would require them to have to revise their plans. Mr. Burris reminded the resident that Urbancrest has the say on that part of it. Mr. Lilly also wants to meet with Mr. Bowshier since he had concerns about this curb cut as well. He did ask the County engineers for a revised traffic study and will be in touch with the resident as to the status.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Burris announced that the next regular meeting of the Jackson Township Board of Trustees scheduled for Tuesday, May 11, 2010, at 1:30 p.m., with caucus to begin at 12:45 p.m., may be changed to Wednesday, May 12, same times. Required notifications will be made should this meeting change.

RESOLUTION 2009-59

Mr. Burris moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

William Forrester, Fiscal Officer

David Burris, Chairman