

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY

February 16, 2010

OPENING

The Board of Trustees of Jackson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 16, 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	Present
Daphne Hawk	Present
William Forrester	Present

RESOLUTION 2010-20

Mr. Burris moved to delete the reading and to approve the minutes for the February 2, 2010 regular meeting. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2010-21

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 2010-22

Mr. Burris moved to pay payroll, pay all bills and approve purchase orders. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2010-23

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2010-23 and moved to hire Eugene Milam as a part-time laborer. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2010-24

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2010-24 and moved to authorize signature on Memorandum of Understanding with the Board of Elections regarding the use of buildings for voting precincts. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

COMP PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT – Scott Fulton, Planner with Franklin County Economic Development & Planning Department

Since November of 2008 Mr. Fulton has been assisting Mike Lilly along with the Jackson Township Steering Committee with the update of the 1991 Comprehensive Plan and was present at the meeting to present a DRAFT of the plan. A comprehensive plan is basically a future land use map with the goals and objectives of the plan. In March of 2009 surveys were sent out to 1,000 randomly selected households in the unincorporated portions of Jackson Township of which there were 200 responses. Survey was also distributed to the public library, available at the Administrative Offices and posted to the Jackson Township website to be completed on-line. No responses were received from these alternate sources. In June the ice cream social meeting was held to attract people for the discussion.

Close to one hundred people were in attendance including Mayor Stage and the City Administrator. People responded that there are a few things they like and a few they do not like about the community. From those results along with guidance from the Steering Committee members input was narrowed down to the top things people wanted to see remain the same and the top things people wanted to be changed. The committee used those things to determine what our goals and objectives should be.

- Issues with the more intense home occupations--trucking businesses, etc. Want to re-evaluate to find out what is proper, such as home office uses.
- People want to see Jackson Township stay true to an agricultural/rural feel, increase minimum setbacks from the road, etc. for a greater rural feel. Consider lot size depth to width ratio, maintain & expand existing farms, and limit commercial development to appropriate areas.
- Natural Resources in Jackson Township - response was overwhelming in questioning what we can do to protect resources.
- Create an identity for Jackson Township.
- Stormwater drainage was also a large issue – installation of raingardens is a solution and the county wide stormwater program is in the works.
- Bikepath is a priority. MORPC Greenways - bikepath down to Berliner Park is number one priority (toward JT) of Metro Parks. Jackson Township is suitable for bikepath.
- Work with surrounding communities to develop and coordinate a strategy for the Jackson Township area. Active participation of the MORPC 2012 transportation plan to make sure Jackson Township has a voice in the process.
- Maintain and improve where possible current level of Jackson Township services. People very satisfied with the services they have from the JTFD, road maintenance and snow removal.
- Preserve the current amount of land for Jackson Township. This is a more difficult goal due to City of Columbus policy since water and sewer service forces annexation.
- Central water & sewer without being annexed into municipalities.
 - New Franklin County Sanitary Engineer working hard to put in to place a plan that Franklin County can strive towards achieving. Also open dialogue with Grove City.

Mr. Fulton received questions from the Trustees. He announced the next public meeting will be on Tuesday, March 9 at 7 pm. Ice cream will be served. Scott will explain the Comp Plan and how we arrived at it. The Steering Committee members as friends and neighbors will be available to answer questions, very informal.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Burris announced the next regular meeting of the Jackson Township Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Jackson Township Administration Building at 3756 Hoover Road. Caucus will begin at 12:45 p.m.

RESOLUTION 2009-25

Mr. Burris moved to go into executive session. Ms. Hawk seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

Present for Executive Session were Trustees David Burris, Stephen Bowshier, and Daphne Hawk; Fiscal Officer Bill Forrester; Administrator Michael Lilly; and Deputy Fire Chief Rick Dawson.

RESOLUTION 2009-26

Mr. Burris moved to return to regular session. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

RESOLUTION 2009-27

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

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

William Forrester, Fiscal Officer

David Burris, Chairman

