

## **MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY**

### **OPENING**

Mr. Burris opened the Regular Meeting of the Jackson Township Board of Trustees on Tuesday, September 27, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Jackson Township Administration Building, 3756 Hoover Road, Grove City, Ohio, and invited those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Burris gave the opening prayer.

### **ROLL CALL**

David Burris	Present
Stephen Bowshier	Present
Jim Rauck	Present
Alma Bennett	Present

### **RESOLUTION 2011-114**

Mr. Burris moved to delete the reading and to approve the minutes for the September 13, 2011, special meeting and the September 13, 2011 regular meeting. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

### **RESOLUTION 2011-115**

Mr. Burris moved to accept the following reports as prepared and presented by Fiscal Officer Alma Bennett: Fund Status, Expenditure Account Status, Warrant Register, and Memos of Expenditure. Mr. Rauck seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

### **RESOLUTION 2011-116**

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

### **OLD BUSINESS**

### **RESOLUTION 2011-111 – REMAINS TABLED**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **RESOLUTION 2011-117**

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2011-117 and moved to approve assessments for nuisance grass abatement.. Mr. Rauck seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

## **RESOLUTION 2011-118**

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2011-118 and moved to hire four part-time firefighters as listed on the resolution. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

## **SWEARING IN**

Mr. Burris issued the oath of office to the following newly hired part-time EMT/firefighters: Timothy Damopoulos, Cory McGuire, Joshua Mollohan, and Courtney Neill-Green.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **ZONING & ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Lilly presented the Board with a written report and also reported on the following items during the meeting:

- He welcomed the newly hired part-time firefighters
- Work on the White Road project is going to switch within the next week to the east side of I-71.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Sheets presented the Board with a written report.

In reviewing a comparison report of promotion policies between Jackson Township and Norwich Township, Mr. Burris expressed interest in lowering the eight-year and three-year time in rank experience level of firefighting for promotion eligibility down to five and two years. He stated most of the other Townships' policies he has read have five and two years. The Chief expressed his support for the eight years and 3 year experience level that we established 2-4 years ago because it gives the firefighter more experience before taking the exam. Mr. Burris questioned the Eligibility exceptions allowing recruitment from outside the department. Also discussed the passing score, and Mr. Burris suggested we go from 75% to 70%. Deputy Chief Dawson also expressed strong support of the present policy of eight and three years for experience levels. They spoke about comparisons with Norwich Township. Mr. Burris asked Lt. Bowyer to review the report and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

**Lt Bowyer** had a question about hydrants. Chief Sheets reported that we have 2400 hydrants in Jackson Township, Grove City and Urbancrest. We have ten that need repair; one is a private hydrant which we do not repair. We do check them. Nine need repair, four are out of service. That is an excellent situation out of 2400 hydrants in service.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Burris announced the next regular meeting of the Jackson Township Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, October 11, 2011, at 1:30 p.m. with caucus to begin at 12:45 p.m. at the Township Administration Building, 3756 Hoover Road.

**RESOLUTION 2011-119**

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Alma Bennett, Fiscal Officer

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David Burris, Chairman