

Franklin Township Trustees  
Tuesday, March 12, 2019  
Regular Meeting Minutes

At 7:22pm, following a public hearing, Chairwoman Ann Hanna called the meeting to order. Minutes from the previous regular meeting were approved by a motion made by Keith Benjamin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Trustee Ann Hanna asked for a status update on the dry hydrants installed in the Twin Lakes area. Chief John Tosko was in attendance at the meeting and stated that they are all in excellent working order – testing and flow rates show them to be ready and in good working order. The city will put them on their regular maintenance schedule and be responsible for backflow testing. He asked that the Twin Lakes Association help in maintaining vegetation control of the areas and see that gravel keeps all service accesses level. Jill Grimm of the TLA responded that she will take that request to the association.

ZONING REPORT

Submitted as written by Sam Abell and is attached to the official record. Additionally, Mr. Abell inquired about the trustees' stand on forgiving \$27,000+ in accumulated fines on a property in long-standing junkyard violation on Caranor now in foreclosure. The board expressed their unanimous desire to hold off on forgiving the fines prior to the property being cleaned up and in compliance.

FIRE REPORT

Submitted as written by Tim Benner and is attached to the official record.

ROAD REPORT

Submitted by Keith Benjamin as a list of jobs both completed and in progress; chipping, salt loading, shop cleaning, former village property cleaned out of old buildings and placed in storage on township garage site, ditching/drainage issues, and vehicle service. He also requested approval for a \$6,000 (total for the two trucks) automatic greasing system for two of the township trucks which will save money and wear and tear on vehicles. The request was approved by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.

OLD BUSINESS

- The sale of the township owned 1998 Chevy Dump truck listed on GovDeals.com for \$4,310.00 was approved by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.
- Keith Benjamin would like to have an auctioneer set up to come and look at the items Franklin Township will be selling.

NEW BUSINESS

- Scott Swan announced that the assistant prosecutor assigned to townships in the prosecutor's office will be Brett Bencze for legal services.
- PARTA announced it is willing to place two trash receptacles near the waiting stations at the driveways for Drug Mart and Acme. The township will be responsible for emptying them regularly.
- The forgiveness of an outstanding balance owed to Life Force billing for an ems call in 2017 by a senior township resident was approved and, as such, establishes a policy for senior citizens in the township to do the same moving forward by a motion made by Keith Benjamin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.
- B. Perfect Construction, LLC. was approved as the winning bid, (\$475.00) to make cupola flashing repairs on town hall by a motion made by Keith Benjamin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.
- Lisé Russell and Ann Hanna gave brief summaries on the Local Government Officials conference they attended in Columbus the previous week.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Attorney Chad Murdock will send letters to former village creditors still seeking payment from the township on village debts.

#### FINANCES

- Resolution 2019-10 is a resolution authorizing the transfer of \$150,000 from the JEDD Fund to the FIRE Fund for the purpose of paying for contracted fire and ems services. The resolution was approved by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.
- Payment of bills, warrants #24455 through 24495, including payment vouchers since the last meeting and totaling \$177,267.48, was approved by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.

At 8:15pm the meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Fiscal Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Chairwoman \_\_\_\_\_