

JACKSON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Held August 18, 2015

6:00 pm

Present – Trustee Frost, Trustee Hemphill, Trustee Harkleroad, Fiscal Officer Patton, Fire Chief Graham, Road Worker Jim Williamson, Police Chief Taillon, Zoning Inspector Locke and 22 guests.

RESOLUTION #15-078: Mr. Harkleroad moved and Mr. Frost seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2015 Regular Trustee Meeting. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION #15-079: Mr. Hemphill moved and Mr. Harkleroad seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2015 Regular Trustee Meeting. Vote was unanimous.

Vouchers and warrants #25543 thru #25629 EFTs #297-2015 thru #360-2015 were approved for payment.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Mr. Frost received an email from Sarah Lown, Port Authority, asking for the trustees to look into tax abatement for Fed Ex Ground. The trustees will look into whether or not this abatement will benefit the township. The road where Fed Ex Ground is located needs repair (more than tarring and chipping) due to all the truck traffic. The trustees are not against business but due to loss in tax money the township is looking for additional sources in revenue to help with paving roads in the future. They will gather more information on the CRA Tax Abatement.
- The County will be opening bids for the September paving of North Lipkey Road and Mahoning Avenue. S. Bailey to Palmyra Road paving will start soon. Most of this paving will be paid by Consol Energy.
- The speed limit study for Mahoning Avenue showed that the 45mph that is posted should remain as it is now. The trustees are going to see if anything else can be done.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. Hemphill asked Ms. Locke to have the truck at Delmont be put behind the fence area.

RESOLUTION #15-080: Mr. Frost moved and Mr. Hemphill seconded the motion for the closure of Liberty Park Playground area until further notice. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION #15-081: Mr. Hemphill moved and Mr. Frost seconded the motion to form an Advisory Panel for the development of Liberty and Jackson Park. The trustees want 1 (one) representative from the Police, Fire and a Trustee as well as community members with children on the panel. Vote was unanimous.

- Mr. Harkleroad advised that the cost to take down 14 trees and grind the stumps in the cemetery was \$2500.
- The trustees asked Mr. Williamson to get prices for the markers he wants at the cemetery and they will make a decision at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #15-082: Mr. Harkleroad moved and Mr. Hemphill seconded the motion approving Cash Summary and Financial Reports for July 2015. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION #15-083: Mr. Frost moved and Mr. Harkleroad seconded the motion that the Trustees are not interested in moving forward with the CRA Application for tax abatement for Fed Ex Ground. Vote was unanimous.

FIRE:

- Chief Graham gave the fire department report for July 2015.

ROAD:

- Partner up with Milton Twp. to trim county and township roads overhanging branches for the school buses. The trustees told him the township cannot trim branches on a county road. He has to notify the county.
- Mark Plant tee shirts and vests
- Lot Marker and metals detector for finding the cemetery lots. He is to present all the costs at the next meeting.
- Repair and remove broken benches at the cemetery.
- Meeting today with David Williams about the restructuring the playground at Liberty Park.
- Replacing the pitcher pump at the cemetery.
- Complaint about the headstone at the cemetery and we re-landscaped around to prevent this happening in the future.
- Mr. Williamson asked the trustees to look into a CDL for Mark Plant. He will look into getting the cost down.
- The trustees approved Mr. Williamson to attend an ODOT Work Zone Traffic and Safety Seminar in Akron in November. The cost is \$50.
- Mr. Williamson will get pricing and a copy of agreement for salt from Lordstown. He will also check on salt pricing from ODOT.

POLICE:

- 76-Calls for Service, 73-Observed Calls, 182-Traffic Stops, Resulting in 116 Warnings, 75 Citations, 7 Traffic Crashes, and 1 OVI Arrest
- 233-Residential Security Checks, 9-Senior citizen welfare checks
- 8-Arrests, 6 Felony & 2 Misdemeanor by our Detective and Patrol Division's
- Reserve Officers worked a total of 8 hours
- Officers traveled 9,982 miles patrolling the township. An average of 98 miles per shift.
- On July 17, 2015, Chief Taillon attended the Ohio Township Association Leadership Academy classes held at OTARMA. I attended the Federal Session on August 17, 2015 at OTARMA. I have now completed all requirements for this training.
- Our insurance carrier Cailor Fleming has settled the insurance claim regarding our electronic damage due to the June 11, 2015 electrical storms.
- Benefit spaghetti dinner for Sgt. Brian Newhart at Our Lady of Lebanon Shrine on October 18, 2015

RESOLUTION #15-084: Mr. Frost moved and Mr. Hemphill seconded the motion for the hiring of a new Reserve Police Officer, Nicholas Grabosky. He will serve a one year probationary period. Vote was unanimous.

ZONING:

- ZONING PERMITS-3 permits issued, sign permit, accessory building, single family dwelling with attached garage. Total permit fees \$2,017 and total valuation \$327,500.
- Zoning Commission will be submitting the land use plan to the Mahoning County Planning Commission at the end of this month. Planning Commission would like this in place for adoption in January 2016
- Noxious weed letters - (3)-Mahoning Ave., (Financial Invest Program), Rosemont Rd., Gladstone Rd.
- Tom Michaels, (Pros. Office), proceeding with foreclosure of mobile home property.
- Prosecutors office-assisting with 3 violations, 1 has come into compliance, 1 asked for a variance application
- K Hovnanian is moving slowly on tearing down 2 model homes and building 2 new ones, signage regulations were emailed
- Steel Co. looking to add interior digital signage, emailed signage regulations
- Terrieri Construction--looking to move somewhere in the township. The building where they are now has been sold
- 2 calls needing info on Mobile Home Park, permitted uses and zoning district of all the properties.
- 3 calls from residents regarding ponds, and are permits needed to construct them? Zoning permits are not required for ponds. The following is general information homeowners should be aware of whether constructing a pond or trying to fill low spots on their property:

If water is redirected or causes water problems for the neighbors, you are open for civil suits. You cannot redirect the water, this makes you liable for water issues and the possibility of a law suit. One or more acres of earth disturbance will require an NPDES permit from the state and also calculations sent to Mahoning County Soil & Water Conservation for review.

RESOLUTION #15-085: Mr. Frost moved and Mr. Hemphill seconded the motion to remove assessments on Utsinger property, 3009 S. Salem Warren Rd., parcel #: 50-022-0-010.00-0. Vote was unanimous.

- Fed Ex Freight, S. Bailey, moving forward on expansion
- 8 calls from appraisers needing info on residential property and industrial property.
- Contacted Macys home office regarding the unempt property at S. Bailey and Mahoning Avenue meeting with Managers at the property next week to go over what needs done.
- 76 miles 7.5 hours driving the township.

Closure of Liberty Park

Park Advisory Panel

Cash Summary & Financials

Tax abatement

Reserve Officer Nicholas Grabosky

Removal of Utsinger Assessments.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Regular Meeting

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mr. Gary Conroy asked the trustees about the progress of repaving Silica Road. They advised him this is a long term problem and bring it up at the Annual Meeting they have with the Engineer. He is welcome to also call them.
- Miss Linda Hash complained about abandoned vehicles and horse trailer at property on Palmyra Road. Inspector Locke told her to come in to the office and file a zoning complaint.
- Mr. Frank Yacucci hopes the township can develop Jackson Park more. He also would like to see pothole repair on Gladstone Road, east side of Bailey Road.
- Mr. Gary Hemphill reported that the Citizen's Association Yard sales was a success. Thanked the Police Department for all their help.

RESOLUTION #15-086: Mr. Hemphill moved and Mr. Harkleroad seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session per ORC 121.22(G) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee – Road and Zoning Departments. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Harkleroad-Yes; Mr. Hemphill-Yes; Mr. Frost-Yes. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION #15-087: Mr. Frost moved and Mr. Hemphill seconded the motion to re-convene after Executive Session, Roll Call Vote: Mr. Harkleroad-Yes; Mr. Hemphill-Yes; Mr. Frost-Yes. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION #15-088: Mr. Hemphill moved and Mr. Harkleroad seconded the motion to give Callos Company Employee, Jim Williamson a pay increase of \$1.00/hr. effective as of August 18, 2015. We will get business cards for him for Lead Maintenance position and a smart cell phone so he can receive his emails. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION #15-089: Mr. Hemphill moved and Mr. Frost seconded the motion to change Zoning Inspector Chris Locke's pay from salary position to an hourly position @\$15.77/hr. and schedule her work week for 13 hours plus hourly pay for approved meetings. The changes will be in effect with the pay starting August 30, 2015. Vacation approved for this year 2015. Next year's vacation will follow guidelines set forth in our approved township policy manual. Effective 9/1/2015 new zoning hours will be Monday thru Thursday 10:30am to 2:00pm. Vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION #15-090: Mr. Frost moved and Mr. Hemphill seconded the motion to enact the Jackson Township Employment and Policies Handbook. Vote was unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:41pm.

Thomas Frost, Trustee, Trustee Chairperson

Alan Hemphill, Trustee Co-Chairperson

Olin Harkleroad, Trustee

Judy A. Patton, Fiscal Officer

Williamson
Pay
Increase

C. Locke
pay change

Twp Policy
Handbook