

JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Montgomery County

Organizational and Regular Meeting

February 8, 2021

49 E. Walnut Street, Farmersville, Ohio 45325

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Mr. Michael Moyer, Trustee President, called the Jackson Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, to order on **Monday, February 8, 2021** at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was as follows:

ELECTED OFFICIALS:		Present	Absent
Michael Moyer	Trustee President	X	
Ryan Hodson	Trustee Vice President	X	
Randall DeVilbiss	Trustee	X	
Elizabeth Kozarec	Fiscal Officer	X	
TOWNSHIP STAFF:			
Chief Jeff Erisman	Chief of Farmersville Fire Dept.	X	
Chief Jon Schade	Chief of Jackson Twp Police	X	
Doug Pohl	Road Superintendent	X	

VISITORS: Mr. Hanson Brown, Mr. Josh Kohlrieser, Mr. Jimmy Peters

VISITOR COMMENTS:

- Mr. Kohlrieser introduced himself and stated he was fairly new to the community moving here about a year and a half ago and was looking for ways to possibly become more involved. Mr. Moyer welcomed him to our community and stated he was glad to have him.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM January 11, 2021, Organization and Regular Meeting: Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said minutes; Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS AND WARRANTS FROM January 12, 2021 THROUGH February 8, 2021: Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said electronic payments and warrants in the amount of **\$83,446.60**. Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

FIRE: Chief Erisman:

- Chief Erisman stated the department has been busy with a couple structure fires – thankfully not in our township. Jefferson Township and New Lebanon.
- FABA is planning on having their garage sale June 3-5 and will begin accepting donations on May 1, 2021.
- He completed the Fireman’s Dependent Fund thanks to Mrs. Kozarec and Mr. DeVilbiss he was able to submit it to the State.
- We are currently working on getting our Drug License Renewal, right now just waiting on signatures from our Doctor that have to be notarized.
- We are working on training site inspection, usually this is done in person going over all of our training records and this year they are doing it by Zoom and will take approximately 30 minutes.
- Chief Erisman explained that on training nights you may notice unfamiliar vehicles in the lot; Germantown and New Lebanon no longer do training because they do not have the numbers so they are training with us. We have been having training with all three stations together which is a benefit when we have a situation where all of us are needed we are used to working together. For several months we trained at Tom Thomas’ old house that burned and it was very beneficial, last month we did rope training at the station and next month we are going to utilize that training at Germantown because they had a pit put into their new firehouse which we are going to use to practice with extricating a victim.
- Mr. Moyer stated he just heard of HB23 which is going require Fire and Police Departments to be trained on how to handle patients with Dementia. This was introduced this past week so might be something coming up. Chief Erisman said he will look into that bill.

POLICE: Chief Schade:

- Chief Schade provided a copy of the buyer’s order for the 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe Police Package 4x4 SUV for \$37,844 from Ganley Chevrolet of Aurora LLC. The vehicle should be delivered sometime this summer. Chief Schade requested that the purchase be formally approved. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

- The drone is still expected early to late spring.
- Currently working on five child sexual assault cases with Care House. These cases are very difficult and extremely labor intensive. Sgt. Bruner is investigating the majority of the active cases.
- I am considering a one-time direct payment of \$250 (ACA Funds) to any full time officer who receives a COVID vaccine. Sgt. Bruner and I were fortunate enough to be included in the VVLSLSD program. The maximum cost would be \$1,250 vs the possibility of 10 weeks’ overtime coverage would be extremely expensive. There is no timeline for when police officers are eligible for the vaccine. It is also unlikely that the vaccine would be mandated for police officers. Other Township employees could be included in the direct payment program. Mr. DeVilbiss suggested that it would be worth the time to reach out to Nathaniel, our Prosecuting Attorney, to make

sure it is a valid CARES, Act expense. Chief Schade said he would ask. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve the paying of \$250 per officer that receives the COVID vaccine if it is found by the Prosecuting Attorney and/or the State Auditor to fall within the CARES, Act approved money. Mr. DeVilBiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

- We are considering replacing our thermal imager with a new unit. Our current imager is nearly 20 years old, at the time and was about \$25,000. It still works and we still use it; the batteries are becoming harder and harder to purchase. It was received from a drug grant and will remain in service. The technology of the new systems is vastly improved. The cost should not exceed \$5,000. Mr. Moyer made motion to approve the purchase and Mr. Hodson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

ROAD: Mr. Pohl

- Mr. Pohl stated that the 55 mph signs have been put up on Hemple Rd.
- They have been straightening other signs in the township and seeing if anything needs to be done or updated on some signs especially the stop ahead signs.
- They have been cleaning and cutting brush in the township, weather permitting.
- Erected a sign at the pool for the Rotary Club.
- Been completing maintenance on equipment and the shop.
- Mr. Moyer asked about the chipper – Mr. Pohl stated the chipper is back together but it is still running with high oil pressure. They have put a second gauge on it and monitor it between the two of them. It seems to be working fine.
- Mr. Moyer then asked if we had plenty of salt for this week? Mr. Pohl stated we did but getting low. He has an order in for another 50 tons. Mr. Pohl did verify with the County that should we be in need we could borrow from them.

PARK:

- Mr. Moyer stated that the contract with Shamrock Pools has been canceled due to new gutters needing to be installed first; we are waiting on this estimate.
- Mr. Hodson stated that we have had concerns with nepotism. Unfortunately, we do not have a huge amount of people wanting to join the Park Board. We hate to lose Annie Sizemore off the Board. He suggested she stay on the Park Board and still manage the pool. She can remove herself from any vote that has to do with her employment or her salary. He suggested she should

be able to vote on the pool parking lot and abstain from the salaries of the pool employees. He also stated that could be in the by-laws and speaking of by-laws they state that the Manager of the pool must be certified lifeguard – the last several managers have not been certified. Bylaws probably need to be re-written. Mr. Hodson stated that if we are able to open the pool this year he would hate to not be able to do that because we do not have the personnel to run the pool. He is asking that we work around some of these issues for the upcoming year and then re-evaluate next year. Mr. Hodson said he does know that Mrs. Sizemore is willing to stay on the board and be the pool manager. Mr. Hodson also stated that according to our attorney, Nathaniel, the Park Board has tax dollar money and is still able to run the Park and vote on items while searching for new members. After discussion the trustees decided to allow the current employees and if there is a charge of nepotism that individual can take it to the State Board of Ethics.

ZONING, REFUSE, SENIOR CENTER: Mrs. Hamaker

ZONING: 11597 Dayton Farmersville still needs work. Case continued; March 1, 2021, is the next court date.

REFUSE: Everything seems to be going well. I still get calls about Rumpke missing trash pickups.

IWORQ: Everything is good.

SENIOR CENTER: Everything seems to be going well. Spoke with Jerry Harting about the taxes. We are working on handing out packets and scheduling appointments for people in our area and surrounding areas. Tax appointments will start February 22, 2021.

As of February 2, 2021, the electric sign is in production and the completion date will be around the end of next month according to Jane from Sign Connection.

Do we want to consider raising the rental fee for the meeting room at the township building? It is currently \$50 for two hours and \$25 for each extra hour. The rental income would help the general fund. It is not rented out very often. After discussion with Mrs. Kozarec and the Trustees, it was suggested that we only raise the rate for non-township residents to \$60 for two hours and \$30 for each additional hour. Mr. Moyer made motion and Mr. Hodson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

FISCAL OFFICER: Elizabeth (Lisa) Kozarec

- Trustees had no questions regarding the fiscal reports provided.
- Mrs. Kozarec asked for the Trustees to notice that the Park account is more specific in certain areas. There are separate accounts for pool, community center, concession so that expenses can be better categorized.

- Mrs. Kozarec asked for permission to print and store the official meeting minutes on regular 8 ½ x 11-inch paper. The current binder we use is \$137 with the paper being approximately \$50. The Trustees stated they were fine with the change of paper/binder and the cost savings.

RESOLUTIONS TO APPROVE:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Mr. Moyer: Mr. Moyer stated the JEDD has another meeting on February 11, 2021. Currently, it will be a 10 year JEDD; Germantown and German Twp. will each get 35% each with Farmersville and Jackson Twp. splitting the remaining 30% - that division has not been decided on how much each of us will get. The budget to put the JEDD together was \$10,000 and it is currently at \$15,000 because of the attorney cost at each meeting.

The Governor for his budget this year, which has not been approved, has \$250 million set aside for accessing broadband so we are going to see if that passes and then see if we can get something started here with broadband. Mr. DeVilbiss stated he believes the Governor is planning on focusing on the SE corner of the state in the hills of Ohio.

Mr. Hodson: None

Mr. DeVilbiss: None

MOTION TO ADJOURN the meeting was made by Mr. DeVilbiss and seconded by Mr. Moyer, meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

Signed by:

Attested by:

Michael Moyer, President

Elizabeth Kozarec, Fiscal Officer