

JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Montgomery County

**Regular Meeting
December 13, 2021**

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Mr. Michael Moyer, Trustee President, called the Jackson Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, to order on **Monday, December 13, 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: Mrs. Joy Plymyer, Mr. Hanson Brown

VISITOR COMMENTS: Mrs. Joy Plymyer brought pictures with her of the updates to Stiver Cemetery and shared those with the Trustees. She stated that she and her husband, Jim had been able to reset four more headstones: Elizabeth Beck, Esther Guntle, Emanuel Staver and Amanda Wyland. She gave a description of Elizabeth Beck's headstone that had beautiful engravings and was in very good condition; Esther Guntle's headstone is larger than many others in the cemetery; Amanda Wyland's headstone was located in the final row of the cemetery, this row has been a resting spot for many of the infants. She asked the Trustees if there were any questions this month? No Trustees had any questions and once again thanked her and her husband for the work to make this cemetery whole again.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM November 8, 2021, 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 November 9, 2021 through December 13, 2021: Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said electronic payments and warrants in the amount of **\$151,084.64** 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			

FIRE: Chief Erisman

- Chief Erisman stated that they received the “new to them” ladder truck today, and hope to have it in service by the end of January. The Engine that this will replace has supposedly been sold to Jefferson Township.
- At the Fire Department’s December meeting they passed a resolution to enter into a three-year agreement with Jackson Township to provide Fire and EMS protection and needs our Trustees to approve. Mr. DeVilbiss asked the other Trustees if they received the email from our prosecuting attorney, Nathaniel Peterson, stating he looked at the contract and everything seemed to be in order. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve the three- year contract between the Farmersville Fire Department and Jackson Township for Fire and EMS protection; Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion.

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

POLICE: Chief Schade

- Chief asked the Trustees to declare 1996 Chevrolet Tahoe (1GNEK13R8TJ403326) as surplus – The vehicle will be sold via GovDeals. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve the Tahoe declared surplus and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

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

- The 2011 Dodge Charger was sold for \$6,151 on Gov Deals.
- On November 29, 2021, there was a theft and burglary on Chicken Bristle Road. A truck was stolen from the residence and recovered several days later in Franklin, Oh. Two subjects were in the vehicle at the time of the recovery and have been charged in Warren County. On December 6, Jackson Twp. Police executed two search warrants (one in Montgomery Co. and one in Preble Co.) and developed a third suspect. The investigation is pending. Chief Schade stated his goal is to get the guns returned but so far no one knows where those went.
- We have finally transitioned to the Montgomery County CAD. The process was a yearlong project. This gives them county wide inner operability. MDT’s will be upgraded to GPS, dispatch will be able to see who is close. Upgrade cost is \$30/MDT which is very reasonable.

- See Attached proposed salary and benefits package for 2022. The increase represents a 3% COLA, a 1% insurance rate increase and is approximately \$8,000 more than 2021. Mr. Hodson made motion to accept updated salary increases and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed

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

- Chief Schade also recommended a 3% increase for Kristen Hamaker. Trustees each commented that Mrs. Hamaker continues to do a great job and is deserving of the increase. Mr. DeVilbiss made motion to accept salary increase for Kristen Hamaker and Mr. Hodson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

- Chief Schade requested consideration of a one-time \$1,500 performance and retention benefit for the full-time police officers. Mr. Hodson made motion to accept the one-time retention benefit and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

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

- Mr. Moyer asked Chief Schade if he has heard anything regarding the grants for body cameras? Chief Schade said he has not and he had just spoke with Brookville’s Police Chief, who applied for the same grants, and he has not heard yet, either.

ROAD Mr. Pohl

- Today they have been working on cleaning up trees and debris from the recent high winds.
- Swartzel Rd. is currently closed between 3660 and Lake of the Woods due to a large tree that is pretty dangerous and they will work on it tomorrow. Mr. Pohl had a couple tree trimmers look at it and he said they did not want anything to do with it. Mr. Moyer asked if it was the Townships tree to take care of or the home owners? Mr. Pohl stated it is part of Lake of the Woods but it is over the road. The owner of Lake of the Woods has given them access to his woods. Mr. Pohl stated they are going to try to pull the tree backwards into the woods. Once this tree is removed there is another tree near it that will need to be removed because it has been damaged as well. Mr. Moyer asked if it was a dead ash? And Mr. Pohl said it was and a pretty big tree.
- Mr. Pohl stated the ODOT grant application has been completed for grant money to be used for Fuls Rd. The money is to be awarded in February, 2022.
- They have been working on equipment maintenance since weather has changed; snow equipment is ready to go, if needed.
- Been cutting low tree limbs on Fuls Rd.

- Mr. Hodson told Mr. Pohl that a resident recently stated that Rhoades Rd. looks like it could be swept again. Mr. Pohl stated it was just recently completed. He said the issue is more where the repairs were done which is typical for chip seal. He said for some reason new asphalt and chip seal do not like each other.
- Mr. Moyer asked Mr. Pohl to get with Kramer and get a bid out really early so we can get Havermale Rd. done. Mr. Moyer is concerned with the ARP grant money that prices are going to increase. He would like to get that done early in the spring. Mr. Pohl stated he has been in contact with Kramer and they are considering trying to do both Phase 2 and 3 at the same time as one project. Mr. Moyer asked Mr. Pohl if that would put him in a “bind” and Mr. Pohl said “probably”; but feels it will just tie them up on that job for the summer and they would have to just maintain everything else and no other big jobs.

PARK:

- The new park board member, Mackenzie Jones, has still not been to a meeting. After discussion it was believed that Mrs. Jones is not going to be a park board member and may no longer reside in Jackson Township.

ZONING, REFUSE, SENIOR CENTER: Mrs. Hamaker

ZONING: Started the process to criminally charge Diana Begley at 3680 Fuls Rd.

REFUSE: Things seem to be going well. A pick up is missed here and there but thankfully not as often as it has been in the past.

IWORQ: Everything is good.

SENIOR CENTER: Everything is good.

RECYCLE CENTER: Going well. There is currently one student volunteer for January – April.

There is a need for a new member for the Zoning Board of Commission. Do you know of anyone who may be interested?

The awnings need to be replaced on the building; some have been shredded with the recent high winds. Mrs. Hamaker called three different places (months ago) and only one place called back, Glawe Awnings. They did the awnings the last time we had them done; once quote is approved Mrs. Hamaker will get the process started. The quote is \$2,900. Chief Schade said that if the ARP money cannot be used then police will pay for the back one, refuse the side and the Senior Center will be split among several of the accounts.

Mr. Moyer said there will be no down payment. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve the Awning Quote, Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

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

FISCAL OFFICER: Elizabeth (Lisa) Kozarec

- Trustees had no questions regarding the fiscal reports provided.
- Mrs. Kozarec explained the issue that she found with the North Fire (New Lebanon) and South Fire (Farmersville) property tax distribution from Montgomery County Auditors. Mrs. Kozarec found where property tax due to North Fire was paid to South Fire in error. She worked many hours correcting this situation and getting guidance from Amanda Stidham, our Auditor of State representative, as well as a UAN representative. The money has been corrected in UAN and a check issued to New Lebanon for their property taxes. Mrs. Kozarec has a file folder detailing all emails and information on how to correct this problem that was caused by the Montgomery County Auditor’s office.

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

- I have been waiting for the recorded meeting minutes from the JEDD meeting from German Township. Finally, today I was notified that the file that seemed to have been lost was recovered and will be available via YouTube shortly.
- When I delivered our Road Levy renewal resolution to the Board of Elections, I asked the clerks about ballot language for our JEDD. After discussion they stated the only JEDD they have had on the ballot that any of them could remember was in Butler Township but was for a JEDDZ – which no longer exist. I have reached out to Mr. Heistand with German Township and together we will work with our Prosecuting Attorney and our JEDD Attorney to ensure that our language is correct and exactly the same for both.

RESOLUTIONS TO APPROVE:

2021-25 Recreational (Park) Renewal Levy Determining to Proceed. This was tabled from last month so the Park Board could have a quorum and approve, which they did at their last meeting. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve Resolution 2021-25, Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed

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

2021-28 Make Funds Available to Pay Zoning Commission and Board Mr. DeVilbiss made motion to approve Resolution 2021-28, Mr. Hodson seconded the motion. Motion Passed

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

2021-29 South Fire Super BC to make funds available to reimburse North Fire and correct Montgomery Co. Auditor Revenue and Appropriations error. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve Resolution 2021-29, Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Mr. Moyer: We had our EDGE meeting and had 2.9 million dollars to give out; nine companies applied and gave out 1.8 million dollars to eight of the companies that applied. Next year they are supposed to have another 2.9 million to give out.

Mr. Hodson: None

Mr. DeVilbiss: None

MOTION TO ADJOURN the meeting was made by Mr. Hodson and Seconded by Mr. DeVilbiss, meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

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

Signed by:

Attested by:

Michael Moyer, President

Elizabeth Kozarec, Fiscal Officer