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Minutes 7:00 p.m.

Goshen Township Board of Trustees

Special Meeting July 27, 2010

Opening

Jack Kuntz called the meeting to order. Roll was taken: Jack Kuntz; present. B. Hausermann; present. Ray Autenrieb; present.

Adoption of Agenda

*** Ray Autenrieb moved to adopt the agenda as distributed. Bob Hausermann seconds; motion carries. J. Kuntz; yes. B. Hausermann; yes. R. Autenrieb; yes.

Old Business

Jack Kuntz gave a review of the levy replacement option. Ray Autenrieb stated his strong support of the levy. Bob Hausermann stated his support and tried to clear up any statements made about budget cuts at a previous meeting. We need to react now and not wait on the levy to pass. Jack Kuntz stated that if the levy passes we will receive\$793,647 and there will still be a shortfall. We are giving the citizens the choice on the levy and if it does not pass we will make the necessary cuts.

Community Forum

Steve Holland – How asked questions regarding the Fire/EMS budget. Suggested that we need to make cuts before we pass a levy. If we make the cuts then it will pass.

T.J. Corcoran – Thinks to suggest doing away with the Fire Chief is absurd and demonstrates a lack of understanding for the roll of a fire chief. Asked how the board thinks a levy will pass it they are not all on board.

Ray Redmond – Stated no more taxes, just make cuts.

Tom Risk – Suggested getting with the auditor's office and seeing how many taxes are in arrears in the Township.

Carol Tarter – Asked if there was a chance for cuts and suggested that we pursue the levy because there is not that much room for cuts and need to have reserves.

Ken Klosterman – You are turning around the township and you have tough decisions to make. If the budgets are in line and the fiscal statements are correct, you need to go out and get the levy. We need to see you do something now.

Ray Redmond – Suggested we consider different cars for the Police Department.

Jack Kuntz – The budgets that we have gone through we have been diligent to make cuts and adjustments. We do not just rubber stamp the budget requests. We will take a harder look at the budgets in the future.

Lisa Allen – There has been scrutiny and cuts along the way. We have been saying we are going to use the reserves knowing that our finances are getting in trouble. This year we are at a point where we have to make harder decisions because we will not have the reserves. If there are questions, I will try to help and you are invited to come to the budget meetings.

Ken Klosterman – Trying to reorganize the Township is the right idea.

Steve Holland - Wasteful spending needs to stop.

Mike Keeley – Stated that up to 3 ½ years ago, there was no formal budget.

***Ray Autenrieb moved to approve proceed with 3.0 replacement levy to be placed on the ballot at the November 2, 2010 election. Jack Kuntz seconds; motion carries. J. Kuntz; yes. B. Hausermann; yes. R. Autenrieb; yes.

***Bob Hausermann moved to adjourn into executive session to discuss and consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official or to consider the investigation of charges or complaints of a public employee in accordance with ORC 121.22(G) at 7:46pm. Ray Autenrieb seconds; motion carries. J. Kuntz; yes. B. Hausermann; yes. R. Autenrieb; yes.

***Bob Hausermann moved to return to regular session to discuss at 8:35pm. Ray Autenrieb seconds; motion carries. J. Kuntz; yes. B. Hausermann; yes. R. Autenrieb; yes.

There were no decisions made.

Adjournment

***Bob Hausermann moved to adjourn. Ray Autenrieb seconds; motion carries. J. Kuntz; yes. B. Hausermann; yes. R. Autenrieb; yes.

Respectfully Submitted by:	
Lisa Allen	
Trustee	

