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**Regular Meeting – Goshen Township
Board of Trustees
Tuesday, December 9, 2014
7:00 PM**

Meeting Minutes

Opening

Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Trustee Lisa Allen
Board of Trustees
Fiscal Officer Cheryl Allgeyer

Trustee Corcoran called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Trustee Lisa Allen led the invocation. The Board of Trustees led in the Pledge of Allegiance and roll was taken.

Trustee Lisa Allen – Present
Trustee Claire Corcoran – Present
Trustee Lois Pappas Swift - Present

In Attendance: Fiscal Officer Cheryl Allgeyer, Fire / EMS Chief Steve Pegram, and Service Director Bob Seyfried

Adoption of Agenda

457-2014 Trustee Allen motioned to adopt the agenda. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Communication and Announcements

Mr. Joe Spaulding presented Park Board updated; copy is attached for reference.

Trustee Swift stated the decision to close the Community Center was based on the multiple maintenance repairs needed to the building and the extensive cost of these repairs compared to the revenue generated by rental income. Trustee Corcoran stated that the space would be handed over to the Service Department and they would budget for the repair expenses, this way the Township would still have use for the space.

New Business

458-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to approve the payment of bills, payment dates 11/25/14 to 11/09/14. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – abstain Trustee Swift – Yes

459-2014 Trustee Allen motioned to increase revenue by \$30,500.00 in Road & Bridge Fund 2031. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

Service Director Seyfried stated that surplus equipment had been sold and the additional non-budget income had been received in 2014. Trustee Swift inquired if roof would be replaced on the Service building in 2014; Service Director Seyfried stated it would. Trustee Corcoran inquired of the estimated cost for the roof repair; Service Director Seyfried stated estimated cost is \$20,000.00.

460-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to increase appropriation by \$20,000.00 in Road & Bridge Fund 2031 line item 2031-330-360-0000 (Contracted Services). Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

Service Director Seyfried stated the increase in appropriation was requested in order to replace the roof on the service building in 2014 which had not been budgeted for previously.

461-2014 Trustee Allen motioned to accept \$50.00 donation from Albert Krube to Ambulance Fund 2191. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

462-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to approve 2015 Fire / EMS pay rates for part-time employees and administrative staff as presented. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

Chief Pegram presented the 2015 pay rate increases; copy is attached for reference. Chief Pegram stated union pay rates have already been approved with the approval of the Labor Agreement. Chief Pegram stated that part time employees have not had a pay increase since 2011 and that the 2015 recommended pay rates would bring Goshen Township into line with surrounding communities which will allow the Township to remain competitive in retaining personnel. Chief Pegram stated that if an individual is qualified to drive all equipment there is a \$.50 per hour increase to the regular pay rate.

463-2014 Trustee Allen motioned to appoint Nicholas Stiens to full-time probationary Firefighter / Paramedic effective 01/11/15 at a starting salary of \$38,000.00 per year plus benefits per the IAFF Labor Agreement. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Chief Pegram stated with the voter approval of the Fire/EMS levy that starting 01/01/15 this will bring staffing to 7 per shift and that testing has been completed for all employees and that these employees are currently part time status and they ranked first through fourth on the testing process.

464-2014 Trustee Allen motioned to appoint Cody Martin to full-time probationary Firefighter / Paramedic effective 01/13/15 at a starting salary of \$38,000.00 per year plus benefits per the IAFF Labor Agreement. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

465-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to appoint Ryan Passet to full-time probationary Firefighter / Paramedic effective 01/12/15 at a starting salary of \$38,000.00 per year plus benefits per the IAFF Labor Agreement. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

466-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to appoint Charles Jones to full-time probationary Firefighter / Paramedic effective 01/12/15 at a starting salary of \$38,000.00 plus benefits per the IAFF Labor Agreement. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

467-2014 Trustee Swift motion to appoint Jeff Dawson to part-time probationary Firefighter / Paramedic effective 01/01/15 at a rate of \$13.00 per hour. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

468-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to appoint Mark Peters to part-time probationary Firefighter / EMT effective 01/01/15 at a rate of \$10.00 per hour. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

469-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to appoint Mark Greatorex to part-time probationary Firefighter / Paramedic effective 01/01/15 at a rate of \$13.00 per hour. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Old Business

None

Community Forum

Joshua Carson – Goshen, OH

Mr. Carson discussed the Township website and recommended a possible solution is to have a web design student from Goshen High School work on the Township website which would be free to the Township and would allow the student to get their required volunteer time or the Township could have the Web Design Teacher to work on the website design for free. Trustee Corcoran replied that it is on the Board's radar to have the website improved. Mr. Carson recommended asking local businesses to donate materials for the Community Center repairs in order to possibly keep the Center open.

Executive Session

- 470-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to adjourn into Board of Trustee's Executive Session at 7:23 PM to discuss collective bargaining agreement(s) ,and to review and discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official according to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G) (1) & (4). Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

Board of Trustees reconvened from Board of Trustee's Executive Session at 8:50 PM.

- 471-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to adjust Fire / EMS Chief Pegram annual salary to \$85,000.00 effective 01/11/15. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

- 472-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to appoint Chief Steve Pegram to Safety Service Director to oversee the Fire and Police Departments effective 12/09/14 with no compensation. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

- 473-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to change the 12/15/14, 4:00 PM, Trustee Special Meeting to General Business & Budget meeting. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes Trustee Corcoran – Yes Trustee Swift – Yes

474-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to offer conditional employment to Rick Combs as Police Chief of Goshen Township pending pre-employment testing and screening. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

475-2014 Trustee Swift motioned to offer conditional employment to Lou Ethridge as Township Administrator and Zoning Director pending pre-employment testing and screening. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – No

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Trustee Allen stated the reason she did not second the motion is that the position being offered is for full time employment and she feels the budget should be reviewed more before a full time offer is made to verify the funds can support a full time employment expense.

Adjournment

476-2014 Trustee Allen motioned to adjourn the Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:54 PM. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Respectfully Submitted by:


Cheryl Allgeyer, Fiscal Officer


Goshen Township Trustee

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