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**Regular Meeting – Goshen Township  
Board of Trustees  
Tuesday, February 25, 2014  
07:00 P.M.**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Opening**

Invocation  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call

Pastor Tim McGlone  
Honorable Tom Risk  
Honorable Cheryl Allgeyer

Trustee Corcoran called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Pastor Tim McGlone led the Invocation. The Pledge was recited and roll was taken.

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

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

**Adoption of Agenda**

**60-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to adopt the agenda. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**61-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to adopt the Meeting Minutes from 02/11/2014 & 02/12/2014. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

## Communication and Announcements

Administrator Snyder stated the Salute to Leaders ceremony will be held on March 11, 2014, which will conflict with the Board of Trustee Regular Meeting and suggested that a Special Meeting be set if different from the Regular Meeting time of 7:00 PM on March 11, 2014.

**62-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to cancel the Board of Trustee Regular Meeting on March 11, 2014, at 7:00 PM and to set a Board of Trustee Special Meeting to be held on March 11, 2014 at 8:00 PM. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

## New Business

**63-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to approve the payment of bills. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram stated that he received an invitation to attend the NFFF Safety Symposium, the organization only invites 100 individuals and that all expenses would be paid by the Safety Symposium with no cost to Goshen Township.

**64-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to approve out of town travel for Fire / EMS Chief Steve Pegram to attend NFFF Safety Symposium March 10-12, 2014, at no cost to Goshen Township. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram stated he has a concern with the current Township Emergency Shelter located at Marr Cook Elementary School. Chief Pegram stated that if school is in session there is a conflict with the emergency plan, due to students are to assemble in the hallways during an emergency and this is the same location residents would need to assemble and this poses safety concerns for students and residents. Chief Pegram stated that the school policy is that while school is in session you can only access the building by entering through the school office, no other doors are available for entry. Chief Pegram toured the township with a representative from EMA and after several site visits within the Township it was determined that the Township Administration Building would be the best location for the Township Emergency Shelter. Chief Pegram stated since the Administration Building is under Township control that his suggestion would be to cease using Marr Cook Elementary School and to relocate the Emergency Shelter to the Township Administration Building. Trustee Swift questioned if the Township Administration Building is large enough to house an Emergency Shelter. Chief Pegram stated the Township Administration Building has a capacity to hold 100 individuals in case of an emergency and in his opinion would be sufficient. Chief Pegram stated by law the Township is not required to provide an Emergency Shelter but since one has been provided in the past he would like to continue to offer an Emergency Shelter to the public.

**65-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to change the location of "Goshen Township Emergency Shelter" from Marr-Cook Elementary School to the Goshen Township Administration Building. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram requested that a No Animals Allowed policy be implemented for the Township Emergency Shelter. Chief Pegram stated that local animal shelters will temporary accept animals in case of an emergency and that it is customary for human and animal shelters to remain separate. Trustee Swift questioned if Emergency Shelter guidelines were currently in place. Chief Pegram stated that currently there are no official guidelines but that whenever the tornado sirens are activated Township employees would open the Township Administration Building and that once guidelines were composed they would be posted in multiple sites. After discussion, decision was made to only make a motion pertaining to No Animals Allowed in the Township Emergency Shelter.

**66-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to adopt a rule for No Animals Allowed in the Goshen Township Emergency Shelter. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram suggested that the Township could apply for a grant to convert a Storage room located in the lower level of the Township Administration Building to a Safe Room. Chief Pegram stated there would be no cost to the Township if the grant was awarded. Trustee Allen requested Chief Pegram to complete the grant application which Chief Pegram agreed to.

**67-2014** Trustee Allen motioned for Fire / EMS Chief Steve Pegram to apply for CDBG grant to build a "Safe Room" in the basement of the Township Administration Building. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram stated that per department policy an individual must be certified in both Fire & EMS before employment can commence, current Volunteer Firefighter Donald Books has completed both certifications and has met the department policy. Chief Pegram requested Mr. Books be promoted to part-time employment status.

**68-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to promote Volunteer Firefighter Donald Books to part-time Firefighter / EMT at a pay rate of \$9.50 per hour. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram stated that currently Marcus Rose is certified in Fire only and per policy he would be eligible for Volunteer status within the Fire Department. Chief Pegram requested that Marcus Rose be appointed to Volunteer Firefighter.

**69-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to appoint Volunteer Firefighter Marcus Rose. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram stated that Doug Jones, Mike Wilson, Ken Lynch, Tim Goodman and Ryan Jones did not complete the necessary requirements to maintain their individual status as Volunteer within the Goshen Township Fire / EMS Department and request the Trustee Board to Accept the above mentioned individual's resignation.

**70-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to accept resignation of part-time Firefighter / EMT Doug Jones. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

**71-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to accept resignation of part-time Firefighter / EMT Mike Wilson. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

**72-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to accept resignation of part-time Firefighter / Paramedic Ken Lynch. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

**73-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to accept resignation of volunteer Firefighter / EMT Tim Goodman. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

**74-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to accept resignation of volunteer Firefighter Ryan Jones. Trustee Allen seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

## **Old Business**

Administrator Snyder stated the property located at 1799 State Route 28 has an appraisal value of \$50,000.00. Administrator Snyder stated as of February 18, 2014, the highest purchase offer placed through GovDeals.com for this property was \$33,100.00. Administrator Snyder asked the Board of Trustees if they were in agreement to accept this particular purchase offer. Trustee Swift questioned how this particular property was zoned. Administrator Snyder stated this property is zoned as R5 and that the property currently has building structures which are hazardous to the public and he strongly recommends the Township proceed with the demolition of these structures.

The Board of Trustees were in agreement to decline this particular purchase offer and directed Administrator Snyder to communicate the decline of the purchase offer made to the bidder and to remove the sale of this property from GovDeals.com.

**75-2014** Trustee Allen motioned to reject and refuse all purchase offers made to date for real estate located at 1799 State Route 28 and to remove the sale of this property from GovDeals.com. Trustee Swift seconds the motion; motion carries

Trustee Allen – Yes

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

### **Park Board Update**

No Park Board members were present.

### **Community Forum**

Jim Constable – Fayetteville – Mr. Constable inquired about the status of the Jack Carey hearing. Mr. Constable inquired if the buildings located at 1799 State Route 28 should be demolished at the Township's expense. Mr. Constable discussed TIFs and zoning issues.

### **Adjournment**

**76-2014** Trustee Swift motioned to adjourn the Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:37 PM. Trustee Allen 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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