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Regular Meeting – Goshen Township Board of Trustees Tuesday, May 12, 2015 7:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

Opening

Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Fire / EMS Chief Pegram Board of Trustees Fiscal Officer Allgeyer

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

Trustee Lisa Allen – Not in Attendance (NA)
Trustee Claire Corcoran –Present
Trustee Lois Pappas Swift - Present

In Attendance: Fiscal Officer Cheryl Allgeyer, Administrator Lou Ethridge, Fire / EMS Chief Steve Pegram, Police Chief Rick Combs, and Service Director Bob Seyfried

Adoption of Agenda

188-2015

Trustee Swift motioned to adopt the agenda. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Approval of Meeting Minutes

189-2015

Trustee Swift motioned to approve Meeting Minutes from 04/28/15. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran - Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Approve Payment of Bills

190-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to approve payment of bills, payment dates 04/28/15 to 05/11/15. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Corcoran stated that check #24349 was awaiting a second Trustee signature.

Communication and Announcements

Trustee Corcoran introduced Mr. Jason Nagle who was in attendance. Mr. Nagle stated that he is the current Chief Prosecutor for Clermont County and that he would be running for Municipal Court Judge this fall.

Fiscal Officer Allgeyer stated that the Ohio State Auditor's Office would contract out the audit for Clermont County Township Pool for the periods from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2018. Fiscal Officer Allgeyer stated that the State Auditor's Office had selected Perry & Assoc., CPA's to conduct the Township's audit.

New Business

Trustee Swift motioned to rescind motion 115-2015 approving appropriations of \$69,045.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 as presented on 03/16/15. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen - NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

192-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$7,000.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-131-0000 (Salary – Administrator); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$6,000.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-150-0000 (Compensation of Board and Commission Members); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$14,800.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-190-0000 (Other - Salaries); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$2,400.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-211-0000 (OPERS); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$300.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-213-0000 (Medicare); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$2,254.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-221-0000 (Medical/Hospitalization); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

198-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$800.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-223-0000 (Dental Insurance); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

199-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$300.00 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-229-0000 (Other – Insurance Benefits); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

200-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to decrease appropriation by \$17,120.24 in Zoning Fund 2181 line item 2181-130-360-0000 (Contracted Services); appropriation to be reinstated within 60 days. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

201-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to approve \$18,070.76 in Zoning Fund 2181 for 2015 Operational Budget; retro-active to 03/16/15. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Trustee Swift motioned to accept 2014 FEMA AFG grant in the amount of \$187,281.00. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Chief Pegram stated that the grant had been awarded to replace the SCBA tanks and that these tanks are required to be replaced in 2016. Chief Pegram stated the

grant is with a 5% grant match from the Township. Chief Pegram stated the Board of Trustees would need to approve the grant in order for the tanks to be put out to bid and that he would expect to receive the equipment in 2016 after the bid process was completed. *

Trustee Swift motioned to accept donation of \$30.00 to the Fire Fund 2111 from a resident of Lois Lane. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Chief Pegram stated that he had received a "Thank You" card with a check included but that he was not sure who had sent the card, he was unable to read the signature which was on the card.

204-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to declare surplus sections of fire hose that failed annual testing and sell on on-line auction site GovDeals.com. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Chief Pegram stated that every year the fire hoses have to be pressurized and certified and that this particular hose had not pass inspection and could no longer be used.

205-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to declare surplus miscellaneous pieces of old furniture and sell on the on-line auction site GovDeals.com. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion: motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Chief Pegram stated there was a surplus in office furniture with an old desk and file cabinets. Chief Pegram stated he had emailed Township employees to see if anyone wanted the surplus office furniture but that they were not in the best condition. Chief Pegram stated that Trustee Swift had responded that she would like one of the file cabinets but that none of the remaining office furniture was wanted.

Trustee Swift motioned to transfer \$12,000.00 from Fire Fund line item 2111-220-323 (Repairs and Maintenance) to 2111-220-251 (Uniforms) for the purchase of replacement firefighting turn out gear. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Chief Pegram stated that turn out gear has a ten year life term and that several of the gears would be expiring this year. Chief Pegram stated that the fire truck engine repair was not as expensive as originally budgeted for and that this transfer of money would buy about six complete turn out gears.

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207-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to approve Public participation at Township Business Meetings resolution as presented. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran - Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Administrator Ethridge presented a resolution for the Board to consider for Public participation at Township business meetings and recommended the Board of Trustees approve the resolution as presented. Copy of resolution is attached for reference.

Trustee Swift motioned to establish that all Part-Time Police Officers and Part-Time employees of the Police Department will not be covered as of May 7, 2015, in the Labor Union Contract between the Goshen Township Police Association and the Goshen Township Trustees. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen - NA

Trustee Corcoran - Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Chief Combs stated that the Goshen Police Department had two labor union agreements when he arrived and that through negotiations that the part-time Police Officers were to be removed from the GTPA. Chief Combs stated that it is not required by law for part-time Officers to be covered by a labor agreement.

Trustee Swift motioned to approve on June 1, 2015, Part-Time Officers and Part-Time employees of the Police Department will be paid \$14.00 per hour with no law enforcement experience or \$15.00 per hour with 1 year of law enforcement experience and that Part-Time Officers and Part-Time employees of the Police Department do not receive any fringe benefits as the Full-Time Officers and Full-Time employees. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Chief Combs stated he had just finished union negotiations with the full-time Police Officers and that he is requesting that the part-time Officers pay be increased. Trustee Corcoran inquired if the current budget would allow for the pay increases; Chief Combs stated as long as no emergencies arise which would require a mass amount of overtime or if an employee is injured and would require a replacement while they were off work, the current budget would allow for the pay increases.

Executive Session

210-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:29 PM according to ORC 121.22, Public Meetings to discuss compensation and employment. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

Board of Trustees reconvened from Executive Session at 7:42 PM.

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Old Business

211-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to direct the Board of Trustee Chair to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Ohio Auditor's Office and Perry & Assoc. to conduct the audits. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion: motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

212-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to reallocate \$5,000.00 from Fire and EMS Fund Line Item 2193-220-360-0000 Contracted Services to2193-760-750-0000 Motor Vehicles. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Corcoran inquired of Administrator Ethridge if he had reviewed the budget and verified that the budget would allow for the reallocations; Administrator Ethridge replied he had reviewed and approves the reallocations.

213-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to reallocate \$1,500.00 from Fire and EMS Fund Line item 2193-220-370-0000 Payment to other Political Subdivision (911) to 2193-760-750-0000 Motor Vehicles. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran - Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Trustee Swift motioned to reallocate \$2,000.00 from Fire and EMS Fund Line Item 2193-220-420-0000 Operating Supplies to 2193-760-750-0000 Motor Vehicles. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

215-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to reallocate \$6,500.00 from Fire and EMS Fund Line Item 2193-220-599-3835 Fuel to 2193-760-750-0000 Motor Vehicles. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

216-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to appropriate \$15,000.00 in the Fire and EMS Fund line item 2193-760-750-0000 Motor Vehicles. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen - NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift – Yes

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217-2015 Trustee Swift motioned to authorize the purchase of a 2007 Chevrolet Tahoe for the Fire Department at a cost of \$14,000.00. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion;

motion carries.

Trustee Allen – NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Administrator Ethridge stated the Township had an opportunity to purchase an emergency outfitted SUV vehicle for the Fire Department. Administrator Ethridge stated that the vehicle has been inspected by Day Heights Automotive and deemed it to be road worthy, in addition the vehicle has a new engine with an engine warranty and recommended to the Board of Trustees to purchase this vehicle for \$14,000.00. Trustee Corcoran stated that the Board of Trustees has reviewed this vehicle purchase thoroughly prior to approving the purchase.

Community Forum

James Constable - Blanchester, OH

Mr. Constable inquired about zoning appropriations. Mr. Constable suggested the policy for public meetings should also include zoning meetings, special meetings and work sessions. Mr. Constable inquired about public records request.

Andy Evans – Goshen Chamber of Commerce President

Mr. Evans stated that he was with Evans Funeral Home and the Goshen Chamber of Commerce and inquired about the St. Rt. 28 bridge closure and stated there would be an economic impact on the businesses east of the bridge closure. Mr. Evans stated it was his understanding that in conjunction with the bridge closure that Woodville Pike would be having utility maintenance. Mr. Evans inquired how long the bridge was scheduled to be closed; Service Director Seyfried stated the bridge was scheduled to be closed 2 to 6 months. Mr. Evans requested that the Township explore options regarding the bridge closure; Director Seyfried stated this particular bridge closure was determined by the state and not the Township. Mr. Evans stated that the Chamber of Commerce would again be hosting a "Movie Night" and that the Memorial Day Parade line up would begin at 9:00 AM at Marr Cook.

Don Combs - Goshen, OH

Mr. Combs inquired why his property was inspected on Parker Road and inquired who had filed a complaint. Administrator Ethridge stated that Mr. Combs' property had not been inspected.

Jeff Corcoran - Goshen, OH

Mr. Corcoran stated that the Horse Thieves Detectives' Grand Opening of the "Hide Out" would be on July 25th at Stagge Marr Park. Mr. Corcoran stated there had been progress on the trails and that he would be asking for an easement from the Board of Trustees at a future date. Trustee Corcoran inquired if the trails are for walking also; Mr. Corcoran replied they were but that no motorized vehicles were allowed on the trails.

Ruth Fitzgerald - Twin Oaks Lane

Ms. Fitzgerald stated she had brought issue up in 2011 regarding a landscape business near her property and that she is still having issues with the business. Trustee Corcoran inquired of Administrator Ethridge if this would be a Zoning and Property Maintenance issue; Administrator Ethridge stated it would be a Zoning and Property Maintenance issue. Ms. Fitzgerald left pictures with the Board of Trustees and stated she would like the Trustees to help out in this matter. Trustee Corcoran requested that Administrator Ethridge to look into this matter. Ms. Fitzgerald stated she would be happy to volunteer her time for any help the Township may need.

Adjournment

218-2015

Trustee Swift motioned to adjourn the Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:17 PM. Trustee Corcoran seconds the motion; motion carries.

Trustee Allen - NA

Trustee Corcoran – Yes

Trustee Swift - Yes

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cheryl Allgever, Fiscal Officer

Goshen Township Trustee

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