The regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Trustees held on October 28, 2019 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Trustee Linnenberg, present; Trustee Callos, present; Chairman Rosiello, present; Fiscal Officer Straus, present.

Chairman Rosiello moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of October 14, 2019. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. All voted Yes.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-A**

Chairman Rosiello moved to approve the promotion of Pat Gunn to the rank of Captain for Green Township Fire & EMS with a start date of November 11, 2019 and a starting salary of $40.46 per hour. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Fire & EMS Chief Scott Souders gave a description of the duties of a Fire Captain and the need for this new training position. Chief Souders mentioned the many skills Captain Gunn possesses which make him the best candidate for the position.

Chairman Tony Rosiello congratulated Captain Gunn and invited him to the podium to speak.

Captain Gunn thanked the Green Township Trustees, Chief Souders, Assistant Chief Hummeldorf and the many firefighters that were in attendance. Captain Gunn introduced his family and thanked them for their support.

Trustee Triffon Callos congratulated and praised Captain Gunn for his experience.

Trustee David Linnenberg congratulated Captain Gunn and expressed his pleasure with adding the new position to the Fire & EMS Department.

Fiscal Officer Tom Straus swore in Captain Pat Gunn.

Chairman Rosiello introduced Lieutenant David Downing of the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office and thanked him for his service.

Mr. Mike Donnelly introduced himself and spoke about a proposed Gold Star Memorial for Veterans Park. Gold Star Memorials honor veterans that served in all wars and would be the first in the Cincinnati area.

Mr. Joe Knabb introduced himself and spoke about the proposed Gold Star Memorial for Veterans Park. Mr. Knabb stated the estimated cost for the memorial is $25,000 which he hopes will be funded through donations. He also gave a detailed description of the memorial.

Mr. Kyle Flynn introduced himself and spoke about the proposed Gold Star Memorial for Veterans Park. Mr. Flynn explained the costs and funding for the memorial.

Chairman Rosiello, Trustee Callos and Trustee Linnenberg expressed their interest in obtaining a Gold Star Memorial in Green Township.

Ms. Becky McClatchey introduced herself and spoke about gun laws. Her interest in gun laws is related to sporadic instances of gun fire near the Bridge Pointe subdivision where she resides.

Police Chief Jim Vetter stated he has been working with Miami Township Police Department, the residents of the Bridge Pointe subdivision and the residents from properties that surround the neighborhood to mediate the issue of target practice in the area.

Administrator Frank Birkenhauer stated he was unaware of the Ohio Township Association working on the same issue on behalf of other Townships as Ms. McClathey suggested.

Trustee Callos stated that the Trustees are concerned about the safety of residents. He is unaware of the Ohio Township Association working on this issue on behalf of other Townships as Ms. McClatchey suggested.

Trustee Linnenberg briefly outlined the current gun law and noise ordinance.

Chairman Rosiello stated a meeting that will consist of representatives of Green Township, Miami Township and Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office should meet with Ms. McClatchey and her neighbors to discuss options.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-B**

Chairman Rosiello moved to accept and approve the financial reports as submitted. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-C**

Chairman Rosiello moved to accept and approve the Amended Appropriations for 2019. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Administrator Birkenhauer explained the Township cost savings for 2019.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-D**

Chairman Rosiello moved to approve the hiring of Connie Binkley, Gilbert Herrmann, Sandra Hogue and Laurie Murphy as Event Attendants with starting salaries of $9.00 per hour. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Development Director Adam Goetzman stated there is a need for additional staff at the Nathanael Green Lodge.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-E**

Chairman Rosiello moved to approve the Health Insurance Stop Loss Premium for 2020 with HM in the amount of $246,841. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Administrator Birkenhauer stated the Health Care Committee, Union Representative and Department Heads have recommended approval of HM stop loss with an increase of $125,000 which would lead to a 14% decrease in the stop loss annual premium.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-F**

Chairman Rosiello moved to approve development agreement with Red Hawk LLC. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Development Director Goetzman stated this is for infrastructure improvement for the new subdivision located on Ebenezer Road and Hampton Pointe Drive.

Administrator Birkenhauer stated he is pleased with new residential growth within the Township.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-G**

The following properties were declared as nuisances. The Township Attorney was directed to notify the owner of the properties listed below of this resolution:

1. 3380 Harmony Lane (550-0162-0108) Motion made by Chairman Rosiello and seconded by Trustee Callos. The resolution passed unanimously.

2. 4418 Homelawn Avenue (550-0111-0125) Motion made by Chairman Rosiello and seconded by Trustee Callos. The resolution passed unanimously.

3. 5950 Jessup Road (550-0201-0044) Motion made by Chairman Rosiello and seconded by Trustee Callos. The resolution passed unanimously.

4. 3955 Powner Road (550-0290-0060) Motion made by Chairman Rosiello and seconded by Trustee Callos. The resolution passed unanimously.

5. 3953 Race Road (550-0121-0005) Motion made by Chairman Rosiello and seconded by Trustee Callos. The resolution passed unanimously.

6. 4281 Race Road (550-0181-0068) Motion made by Chairman Rosiello and seconded by Trustee Callos. The resolution passed unanimously.

Administrator Birkenhauer announced the Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on November 13, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 805B, Hamilton County Administration Building, 138 East Court Street, to hear case ZVGT 2019-15, JABB Properties LLC, Applicant, 5166 Crookshank Road, for approval of a variance request for a reduction in the number of parking spaces required per Table 12-9 Schedule of Off-Street Parking Requirements to allow the existing 99 spaces to serve a change of use from a Skating Facility to a Gymnastics Studio.

Development Director Goetzman stated the property is a former Skating Facility. The current owners wish to use the property as a Gymnastics Studio and are seeking a variance to reduce the number of parking spaces.

Ms. Michelle Booth, owner of TGC Gymnastics Center introduced herself and spoke about the variance request. TGC Gymnastics does not have a need for 99 parking spaces and wishes to reduce the size of the parking area.

**RESOLUTION #19-1028-H**

Chairman Rosiello made a motion to approve case ZVGT 2019-15, JABB Properties LLC, Applicant, 5166 Crookshank Road, for approval of a variance request for a reduction in the number of parking spaces required per Table 12-9 Schedule of Off-Street Parking Requirements to allow the existing 99 spaces to serve a change of use from a Skating Facility to a Gymnastics Studio and specifically to be used for in house training. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Development Director Goetzman announced the Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on November 13, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 805B, Hamilton County Administration Building, 138 East Court Street, to hear case ZVCT 2019-13 which is on Berauer Road, a case on South Road pertaining to Visitation School and a case on Childs Avenue pertaining to two structures in the side yard of a residence.

Fiscal Officer Tom Straus reported the Township purchased 1.8 million dollars in Callable Bonds with a yield of approximately 2% and 1 million dollars in CDs with a yield of approximately 1.85%.

Township Attorney Frank Hyle reported the need for Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

Administrator Frank Birkenhauer did not have anything to report.

Director of Public Services Joe Lambing reported that Cheviot Road construction is progressing well, South Road paving has been completed and Hamilton County has repaved the most deteriorated portions of Harrison Avenue. The remaining portion of Harrison Avenue will be repaired in 2020.

Fire & EMS Chief Scott Souders did not have anything to report.

Police Chief Jim Vetter reported that Trick or Treat hours are scheduled for 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Coffee with the Cops and Vets Event will take place at the United Dairy Farmers Store, 6075 Harrison Avenue on November 9th from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Director of Development Adam Goetzman reported that a Residential Pace Program will be created and appear before the Board at a meeting in November. The PACE Program will assists residents with energy efficiency and renewable upgrades.

Mr. Tim Collins, 4418 Homelawn Avenue introduced himself and spoke about the process of nuisance abatement. He expressed his desire to bring 4418 Homelawn into compliance.

Attorney Frank Hyle explained the steps in the process of declaring a property a nuisance.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, November 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Rosiello made a motion to proceed to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. All voted Yes.

Chairman Rosiello moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. All voted Yes. Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

ATTEST: