The regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Trustees held on November 12, 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, excused; Fiscal Officer Straus, present.

Trustee Callos moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of October 28, 2019. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. All voted Yes.

Fire & EMS Chief Scott Souders introduced the Green Township CERT Team and recognized the team for their service and dedication to the community.

Fire & EMS Chief Souders invited CERT Team Director Firefighter Mike Scherer to speak about the team.

Firefighter Scherer stated the Green Township Cert Team is the largest in the region and assists with many township events. The team is trained in many aspects of disaster and safety.

Trustee Callos and Trustee Linnenberg recognized and thanked the new members of the Green Township CERT Team.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-A**

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

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-B**

Trustee Callos moved to appoint David Linnenberg as a member of the Board of Directors of the Green Township Joint Economic Development District III effective August 31, 2019. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Attorney Frank Hyle stated members of the Joint Economic Development District Board of Directors are limited to two terms.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-C**

Trustee Linnenberg moved to appoint Triffon Callos to serve as Township Member of the Board of Directors of the Green Township Joint Economic Development District I. Trustee Callos seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-D**

Trustee Callos moved to appoint Robert D. Lindner, Jr. as a member of the Board of Directors of the Green Township Joint Economic Development District 5 (UDF North Bend) effective December 16, 2019. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-E**

Trustee Callos moved to approve Development Agreement with 6336 Harrison Holdings, LLC and Cincy West Hospitality, Inc. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Administrator Frank Birkenhauer stated the development is for a Hampton Inn and Suites with a commercial out lot which will have a 1.4 million dollar TIF and a JEDD attached which will generate a Hospitality Tax and a Property Tax.

Trustee Callos expressed his approval for the project.

Trustee Linnenberg explained there are certain types of businesses that are not permitted for the out lot.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-F**

Trustee Callos moved to authorize the execution of an agreement with Government Strategies Group, LLC for Lobbying Services. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Trustee Callos explained the need for lobbying services.

Administrator Birkenhauer gave a detailed description of the services that Government Strategies Group, LLC will provide to Green Township which relate to State and Federal Legislature.

Trustee Linnenberg explained the need and importance for lobbying services.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-G**

Trustee Callos moved to approve the move of the Fire Lane on Western Hills Avenue and Ralph Avenue from the north side to the south side from 5001 Western Hills Avenue to 5066 Western Hills Avenue and on Ralph Avenue from 5113 Ralph Avenue to 1512 Colonial Drive. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Public Services Director Joe Lambing stated the need to move the fire lane is due to the recent relocation of the water main and fire hydrants by the Cincinnati Water Works on Western Hills Avenue and Ralph Avenue.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-H**

Trustee Callos moved to renew the Self-Insured Health Insurance Program to be administered by Custom Design Benefits. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Administrator Birkenhauer explained the need and many reasons to renew the Self-Insured Health Insurance Program and to enroll in the True Cost Program with Custom Design Benefits.

Trustee Callos thanked Administrator Birkenhauer and the Green Township Staff that worked on studying the health insurance needs.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-I**

Trustee Callos moved to approve the health plan for 2020 for True Cost with Custom Design Benefits. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-J**

Trustee Callos moved to authorize advertising for bids for Weirman Avenue Storm Water Project with an Engineer’s Estimate of $97,580.00. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Public Services Director Lambing stated a storm water pipe is located under Weirman Avenue is damaged and must be replaced.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-K**

Trustee Callos moved to appoint John Rathkamp to the Northeast Green Township Board of Zoning Appeals for a five year term beginning on January 1, 2020. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-L**

Trustee Callos moved to appoint David Pittinger to the Northeast Green Township Zoning Commission for a five year term beginning on January 1, 2020. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-M**

Trustee Callos moved to approve the Western Communities Energy Special Improvement District Residential Program Plan; authorizing and approving the execution, delivery, and performance of a Township Residential PACE Cooperation Agreement with respect to property assessed clean energy transactions in cooperation with the Western Communities Energy Special Improvement District and the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority; authorizing the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority to approve petitions and plans for public improvements or public services submitted by the owners of real property within the Township requesting that their property be added to the territory of the Western Communities Energy Special Improvement District and assessed for the costs of such plans on behalf of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Development Director Adam Goetzman explained the details involved with the Western Communities Energy Special Improvement District Program Plan which aids residential property owners with energy efficiency improvements.

Trustee Linnenberg and Trustee Callos expressed their approval with the program.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-N**

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. 5920 Cheviot Road (550-0083-0281) Motion made by Trustee Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. The resolution passed unanimously.

2. 1858 Devils Backbone (550-0260-0100) Motion made by Trustee Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. The resolution passed unanimously.

3. 3391 Hader Avenue (550-0061-0015) Motion made by Trustee Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. The resolution passed unanimously.

4. 5766 Snyder Road (550-0210-0386) Motion made by Trustee Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. The resolution passed unanimously.

Fiscal Officer Tom Straus announced the Ohio Department of Liquor Control has sent notice of application from Dobest Restaurant Inc., DBA Yummy Sushi, 5484 Cheviot Road, Green Township, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247.

Police Chief Jim Vetter did not have any objections.

Fiscal Officer Straus announced sale of property at 5565 Woodhaven Drive via Request for Qualifications.

Administrator Birkenhauer stated 5565 Woodhaven was a recurring nuisance property and was acquired through the Port Authority with plans to invest in the property for the benefit of the neighborhood through a Request for Qualifications.

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 case ZVGT 2019-15 was reviewed during the last Green Township Trustees Meeting.

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 Green #2019-13, Jon Wilson, Applicant and Owner, 6153 Beraurer Road, for approval of a variance for the construction of a solar hut to be located within the side yard in a “B” Single Family Residence District.

Development Director Goetzman stated case Green #2019-13 pertains to an accessory structure for solar power that has been constructed in a noncompliant side yard location.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-O**

Trustee Callos moved to approve case Green #2019-13 with recommendations outlined by Mr. Goetzman. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. 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 the case Green #2019-14, Synthesis Architecture, Applicant and Dennis M. Schnurr RT Archbishop of Cincinnati, Owner, 3172 South Road, for approval of a Conditional Use to permit the construction of an outdoor grill area in an “A-2” Residence District.

Development Director Goetzman expressed his approval for case Green #2019-14 which pertains to the Our Lady of Visitation Church adding a covered grilling area to the front portion of an existing athletic pavilion.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-P**

Trustee Callos moved to approve case Green #2019-14 with recommendations outlined by Mr. Goetzman. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Administrator Birkenhauer announced the Hamilton County Rural Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on November 21, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Hamilton County Administration Building, 138 East Court Street, Room 805B, to hear case Green #97-5, David Bernstein, SSC/Larkspur Cincinnati LLC, Applicant and SSC/Larkspur Cincinnati LLC, Owner, for approval of a Major Adjustment to an existing “F PUD” Planned Light Industrial District to convert a three story retail store into 52,276 square feet of retail space and 78,000 square feet of self-storage including redesign of parking, landscaping and signage.

Development Director Goetzman stated case Green #97-5 pertains to the property that is the former Dillard’s Department Store located on Glenway Avenue which will be converted into retail on the first floor and storage on the second and third floors with improvement to the property.

**RESOLUTION #19-1112-Q**

Trustee Callos moved to approve case Green #97-5 with five conditions outlined by Mr. Goetzman. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Fiscal Officer Tom Straus reported 3 million dollars in bonds and 750 thousand dollars in CD’s were purchased. The General Fund revenue is 4.7 million dollars and the expenses were 4.3 million dollars. The General Fund currently has 16 million dollars.

Trustee Callos and Trustee Linnenberg congratulated Fiscal Officer Straus for his next term as Green Township Fiscal Officer.

Township Attorney Frank Hyle did not have anything to report.

Administrator Frank Birkenhauer stated that he recently attended meetings at the Green Township Senior Center, St. James Senior Group and Western Hills Community Service Club.

Administrator Birkenhauer announced on December 20, 2019 the six Joint Economic Development District meetings will take place beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Director of Public Services Joe Lambing announced the Cheviot Road paving project is complete. The Hiker Biker Trail parking lot paving is almost complete. The Public Services Department employees treated township streets for winter weather conditions the first time this year. The Administration Complex salt dome will be completed in approximately four weeks.

Fire & EMS Chief Scott Souders announced a collaboration between Green Township Fire & EMS and Cincinnati Children’s Hospital to conduct training for critical care of children is being conducted this week.

Police Chief Jim Vetter thanked Officer Scott Celender, United Dairy Farmers, Veterans and the members of the visiting public that participated in Coffee with Cops and Vets at the United Dairy Farmers Store on Harrison Avenue. Also, Police in-service training will begin next week.

Director of Development Adam Goetzman reported on the Glenway Storage sign located on Werk Road. Mr. Goetzman stated Hamilton County Zoning is considering a reduction in the size of the sign to bring it into compliance.

Trustee Linnenberg read a thank you letter from a resident to Officer Tracy Karnes to thank her for her professionalism during an issue with a home alarm system.

Trustee Linnenberg read a thank you letter from a mother of a patient from Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Green Township to Officer Dale Stanley and Officer Dan Jackson for their assistance with convincing her son to leave her vehicle and enter the facility for healthcare.

Trustee Linnenberg read a thank you letter to Fire & EMS Chief Souders from a vehicle accident victim to thank the Fire & EMS team for their prompt response.

Trustee Callos relayed appreciation from St. James School Administration to Public Services Director Joe Lambing for his efforts in getting a lighted crosswalk installed in front of the school.

Trustee Callos stated the VFW Post 10380 Veterans Day Ceremony was a wonderful tribute to all veterans.

Trustee Callos announced The Green Township Train Show will take place on November 23 and 24 at the Green Township Senior Center located on Epley Lane from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 pm.

Trustee Callos announced Green Township Clean-Up Day will take place on November 30 at Kuliga Park located on Bridgetown Road from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, November 25, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Trustee Callos moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. All voted Yes. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST: