

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY

July 29, 2014

SPECIAL OPEN SESSION

CAUCUS

The Jackson Township Board of Trustees met in the Township Administration Building, 3756 Hoover Road, Grove City, Ohio, in an Open Caucus Session beginning at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2014, for the purpose of general discussion with department heads and the public, to introduce the candidates for the Fire Tech positions, and to review the agenda for the Special Open Meeting.

The Jackson Township Board of Trustees met in Special Open Session at the same location as Caucus beginning at 7:22 p.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2014. Mr. Burris opened the special open meeting and invited those present to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Burris gave the opening prayer.

ROLL CALL

David Burris	Present
Stephen Bowshier	Present
Jim Rauck	Present
Ron Grossman	Present

Mr. Burris announced that the order for consideration of Resolutions 2014-78 and 2014-79 would be reversed.

OLD BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2014-27

Mr. Burris moved to remove Tabled Resolution 2014-27 from the table. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion VOTE: all yes.

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2014-27 and moved to authorize the Maintenance and Service Contracts for HVAC and Mechanical Systems with Speer Mechanical per new proposals. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2014-79

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2014-79 and moved to hire two new part-time Fire Techs Matthew Groezinger and Anthony Hahn. Mr. Rauck seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

Mr. Burris issued the Oath of Office to the new firefighters. Chief Dawson attested to the capabilities of these two men and welcomed Matthew and Anthony to Jackson Township.

RESOLUTION 2014-78

Mr. Burris read Resolution 2014-78 and moved to declare intent to proceed with the question of additional tax at 3.75 mills. Mr. Rauck seconded the motion.

- Mr. Bowshier addressed issues that faced the Board in presenting this Resolution. He reviewed figures and looked for other avenues for a solution to this projected shortfall and could find no other alternative and wants to support the Fire Department one hundred percent.
- Mr. Rauck stated he is also in support one hundred percent.
- Chief Dawson addressed the Board, thanking them for their work and time spent in an effort to maintain the quality of service the Fire Department has been proud of.
- Captain Bowyer thanked the Board for its efforts and commitment on behalf of Fire Department operations.
- Mr. Burris stated this has been one of the hardest decisions the Board has ever made. It is not easy to raise residents' taxes. They had to outweigh what is needed, the kind of service we want to provide; we have one of the best fire departments in Franklin County, and we want that to continue. We had no choice but to seek alternative revenue. He pledged to the residents that the Board will continue to be good stewards of every dollar.

VOTE: all yes.

ATTENDEES

Board recognized employee Ann Marie King, who was present to request Executive Session in order to discuss personnel issue with the Board.

RESOLUTION 2014-80

At 7:40 p.m. Mr. Burris moved to go into Executive Session to address a personnel matter. Employee requested that Mr. Lilly, Ms. Bruno and Chief Dawson be excused. Present were Trustees Burris, Bowshier, and Rauck, Fiscal Officer Grossman, and Firefighter Ann Marie King.

RESOLUTION 2014-81

At 8:08 p.m. Mr. Burris moved to return to Open Session. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion.
VOTE: all yes.


ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 2014-82

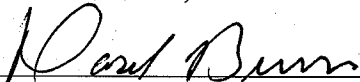
At 8:10 p.m. Mr. Burris moved to adjourn. Mr. Bowshier seconded the motion. VOTE: all yes.

Special Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:



Ron Grossman, Fiscal Officer



David Burris, Chairman