

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

### MINUTES OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

**FEBRUARY 8, 2010**

Pizzino called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. at the Jackson Township Hall with all Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Lyon, Fitzgerald, Neftzer, Heck and Boger present.

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel (Appointment) – Interview Citizens Advisory Committee applicant. **3-0 yes**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel (Appointment/Employment/Compensation). **3-0 yes**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Land Acquisition – To consider the purchase of property for public purposes. **3-0 yes**

#### **Work Session**

#### **Fire Department**

Upon return from Executive Session, Pizzino opened the Work Session at 5:08 p.m.

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 A**

Chief Heck informed the Board about the Medicaid and Nursing Home issues. He explained that under the new rules that have been put in place the nursing homes have to ‘bundle how they handle transports’. He explained that Medicaid is paying a per diem based on Medicaid patients within a facility. He said that part of the problem is that the nursing homes aren’t receiving as much money as they have in the past. He explained that they are now entering into contracts with private ambulance companies to transport patients, ‘which is fine, under non-emergency conditions’. He said that in some cases the private company is called to handle emergency situations, not intentionally, but it happens. He said that the total received last year from Medicaid patients was about \$2,200.00. He said this is using the concept that Medicaid nursing home patients are Township residents. He recommended that the Trustees consider ‘all nursing home Medicaid patients non-billable’. He pointed out that this would be ‘under emergency conditions only, not for transport for routine procedures’. The Board asked Chief Heck to bring his recommendation to the next meeting for them to consider.

Chief Heck then informed the Board about the “frequent flyers”, these are people who call emergency for non-emergency conditions. He said these usually result in a no transport and usually involves putting a person back into a chair or a bed. He said in these cases he has worked with Adult Services to help out. He told the Board he suggests that in other cases where calls are being made on a regular and frequent basis that a fee be charged for that service. He explained that they are an emergency service, not a taxi service. He assured the Board that they would still respond to all calls.

Chief Heck told the Board that about three years ago the squad coats were upgraded to a lime green color that was required by DOT and to cover the medical requirements for protection against blood-borne pathogens. He said those coats were taken out of service and are in storage at the Safety Center. He said that members of the County HazMat Team have asked if twelve of those coats could be transferred to the County HazMat Team to use as cover coats. The Board agreed that would be acceptable.

At 5:43 p.m., Pizzino called the General Session to order with all department heads present. He requested that all cell phones and pagers be turned off at this time.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Public Speaks – None**

### **Administration Department**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 B**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to adopt and authorize the placement of the Board President's signature upon the attached Amendment to the Administrative Services Agreement with Aultra Administrative Group. **3-0 yes**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 C**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve the Division of Liquor Control, F Permit Application for the Jackson Belden Chamber of Commerce, Arts in Jackson Park, August 29, 2010. **3-0 yes**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 D**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve and authorize the Board members to sign the attached Agreement with the Jackson Township Rotary Club, Jackson Township Lions, and Belden Village Kiwanis Club for the Jackson Township Celebration proceeds from Bates Amusements **3-0 yes**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 E**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to appoint Jeannette Cho to serve as a volunteer member of the 2010 Highway/Traffic Citizens Advisory Committee. **3-0 yes**

### **Legal Department**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 F**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion not to request a hearing on the liquor license to Roosters Canton, Inc. dba Roosters, 4335 Dressler Rd. & Patio, Canton, Ohio 44720. **3-0 yes**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 G**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to table the liquor license application to SABF Inc, dba Samantha's, 4954 Portage Rd. NW, North Canton, Ohio 44720 until February 22, 2010. **3-0 yes**

**RESOLUTION 10-010, ATTACHED  
MAINTENANCE OF PRIVATE ROADS POLICY**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion that pursuant to ORC Section 504.04, we hereby adopt the following policy for the maintenance of private roads, effective April 1, 2010.

**POLICY FOR MAINTENANCE OF PRIVATE ROADS**

1. The Township may sell street identification, stop and other road signs at cost to owners of private roads in the interest of public safety.
2. The Township will perform any emergency maintenance or snow removal of control service requested by the Jackson Township Police, Fire or other Township departments required for the performance of their duties.

Be it further resolved that this Resolution replaces the attached March 1, 1994 Resolution, effective April 1, 2010. **3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 H**

Fitzgerald explained that this resolution places the Electrical Aggregation on the ballot.

Gonzalez explained that in the County election this issue was voted against by the majority of the precincts. Walters said he didn't see any harm in putting it on the ballot but they needed to find the 'appropriate way to inform the public as to what it is and what it would allow the Township to do'. Pizzino asked if there was time to inform the public.

There was additional discussion regarding whether it would be beneficial to the residents and how many would benefit and explaining the program to the residents.

Gonzalez said 'people just don't like government messing with their businesses. He said at one time it was being considered to regulate the trash pickup, bidding it out and getting the best rate for the entire Township, 'the residents were ready to kill us for even mentioning it'.

Fitzgerald told the Board that the County Commissioners have decided not to put it on the ballot.

The Board decided to table the resolution at this time until more information on the cost to put it on the ballot and the education and promotion issues could be provided, and to see if it passes in other jurisdictions in May.

**Police Department**

**ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 I**

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to approve the appropriation transfer request from account code 209.250.5387, Discretionary, to account code 209.250.5501, Donations, in the amount of \$12,500.00. **3-0 yes**

Pizzino thanked the Highway Department and all the Safety Forces for the great job they did last weekend. He said he received a lot of thanks and comments about the job the Highway Department did. He said it was great team effort.

### **Fiscal Office**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 J**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$1,677,039.86.

**3-0 yes**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 K**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2010 Board of Trustees meeting.

**3-0 yes**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 L**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve the January 2010 Financial Reports.

**3-0 yes**

#### **ATTACHMENT 02/08/10 M**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve the Fund Transfer from General Fund #101 to Park Fund #214, in the amount of \$225,895.00 and to Zoning Fund #213, in the amount of \$40,903.50.

**3-0 yes**

### **Routine Business**

#### **Announcements**

- Next regular Board of Trustees meeting, February 22, 2010, 4:00 p.m., Executive Session and/or Work Session, 6:00 p.m., General Session, Township Hall.
- CIC meeting, February 17, 2010, 5:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- LOGIC meeting, March 4, 2010, 9:00 a.m., Safety Center, Chiefs' Conference Room.
- Zoning Commission, February 18, 2010, 5:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- Board of Zoning Appeals, February 25, 2010, 7:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- Citizens Advisory Committees:
  - Community Celebration, February 9, 2010, 5:30 p.m., Township Hall.
  - Park, February 9, 2010, 6:30 p.m., Township Hall.

- Highway/Traffic, February 17, 2010, 6:30 p.m., Township Hall.
- Annual meeting with Board of Trustees and Stark County Engineer, February 25, 2010, 9:00 a.m., Stark County Engineer's Office.
- Storm Water Education Presentation for the public by Stark County Regional Planning, February 22, 2010, 5:30 p.m., Township Hall.
- Weekly Farmers Market will be held this summer on Thursdays from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m., beginning July 15 through October 14 in North Park. Locally grown food items will be for sale.

**Old Business** – None

**New Business**

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to accept sponsorship donations to the Community Celebration:

1. \$100.00 from Great 2 Inflate
2. \$500.00 from Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths, & Dougherty Co. **3-0 yes**

**Public Speaks – Open Forum**

No one came forward.

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to adjourn. **3-0 yes**

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**John Pizzino**

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**Randy Gonzalez**