

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

JANUARY 28, 2008

Pizzino called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at the Jackson Township Hall with all Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Lyon and Fitzgerald present.

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for conference with Attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. **3-0 yes**

Upon return from Executive Session, Pizzino opened the Work Session.

Work Session

Fire Department

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 A

Chief Heck mentioned some of the thoughts that were behind the timing of the levy three years ago and some of the problems encountered. He pointed out that since 1972 the Township has grown and that growth is expected to continue. The Fire Department must grow with the community.

He said he has consulted with Mr. Gonzalez and compared the effects of a replacement levy with a renewal levy. A replacement levy could be placed on the ballot the first time in November of next year. With a renewal levy, with two years to go on the current levy and five years on an additional levy, he said he estimates they would be out of money by 2013 with the need to go to 2015 before another levy could be placed on the ballot. He presented several options for a renewal with advantages and disadvantages of each. He said this November would be the best time because it is a Presidential election year which would probably bring out more voters.

Chief Heck presented summary sheet with the amounts approved for the 2008 budget and the estimated capital purchases for the next ten years.

There was some discussion on the timing.

Gonzalez pointed out that the Highway Department just passed a renewal levy with very little effort because there were no new taxes involved. Gonzalez also pointed out the fees for ambulance runs were also increasing with increased calls. He and Chief Heck then discussed the amount and the distribution of the ambulance fees and the amount of probable increase over the next years. Gonzalez informed the Board of several other levies that will be on the ballot this year that will be competing with a fire levy.

Chief Heck pointed out that this was an opportunity to start looking at some of the options that are available, the timing and some of the problems that could be encountered. He proposed looking at this more closely in the following months.

2008 Fire Replace VS Renew

Average Home In Jackson Township Per Stark County Auditor is \$175,000

Home Value	\$100,000	\$150,000	\$175,000	\$200,000	\$250,000	\$275,000	\$300,000	
Replace	\$183.75	\$275.63	\$321.56	\$367.50	\$459.38	\$505.31	\$551.25	Voted mills 6
Renew	\$168.74	\$253.12	\$295.30	\$337.49	\$421.86	\$464.05	\$506.23	Active mills 5.51
Tax Increase	\$15.01	\$22.51	\$26.26	\$30.01	\$37.52	\$41.26	\$45.02	

About a 9% increase in the tax.

1/10/2008 twp. Evaluation 1.381 billion

	Dollars Generated	
Replace	\$8,286,000,000	
Renew	<u>\$7,609,310,000</u>	
Tax Increase	\$676,690,000	Additional Money Per Year

Highway Department

Boger presented Rich LaRocco from ME Companies who explained in more detail the need for ongoing construction and utility coordination services.

Mr. LaRocco told the Board there is a pre-construction meeting this Wednesday for the Fulton/Wales intersection improvement project, and hopefully they will be given a date when the contractor will begin work. He said the ongoing services portion of the contract was for things ODOT may ask for, such as attending a meeting, a redesign of a catch basin or a new lateral. He said it will not be used for plan errors. He will be policing that and if there is a plan error the design consultant has to fix that free of charge.

Pizzino said he thought ODOT was going to pick up any amounts above and beyond what the Township has set aside.

LaRocco said that was so with the construction management but ODOT would not do any work on a plan by a design consultant.

Gonzalez said the project came in under bid and we have requested the money back. He said he spoke with Eric Czetli and requested \$1.5 million back which leaves some additional money in case of overruns.

LaRocco explained this \$10,000 is included in McCoy's contract but has not been authorized. It was held off until the job was ready to go.

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 B

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve Budget Module 22-A-08 for the Fulton/Wales Intersection Improvement if authorized in the amount of \$10,000.00. **3-0 yes**

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 C

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to approve the appropriation transfer request from account code 324.310.5387, Discretionary, to account code 324.313.5710, Fulton/Wales Design, in the amount of \$10,000.00. **3-0 yes**

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 D

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to accept a donation of five framed photographs of completed highway projects in Jackson Township from ME Companies, Inc. **3-0 yes**

At 6:00 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

RESOLUTION 08-006, ATTACHED

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to appoint James N. Walters to serve as the Board of Trustees' representative on the Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) for 2008.

Be it further resolved that we hereby re-appoint Michael Thompson as a governmental member of the Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) for a two-year term, from 2/1/08 to 2/1/10.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 E

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve Safety Days and a Health Fair and to authorize our signatures on a letter to employees and their families. **3-0 yes**

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 F

Burger moved and Walters seconded a motion to approve and authorize our signatures on the Commendation to the Ohio Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Park Committee. **3-0 yes**

Fire Department

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 G

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve the appropriation transfer request from account code 210.210.5220, Health Insurance, to account code 210.210.5385, Other Expense, in the amount of \$60,000.00. **3-0 yes**

Highway Department

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 H

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to adopt and authorize the placement of the Board President's signature upon the attached Change Order for the Arlington/Fulton traffic signal. **3-0 yes**

RESOLUTION 08-007, ATTACHED

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to authorize the attached advertisement for Highway Department materials. **3-0 yes**

Legal Department

RESOLUTION 08-008, ATTACHED

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion pursuant to ORC Sections 507.021 (C) and 507.03, that we hereby accept and approve the attached bond and surety for the Assistant Fiscal Officers in the amount of \$250,000 for each Assistant and authorize the placement of our signatures thereon. **3-0 yes**

Police Department

Chief Neftzer announced that as of January 23 the Police Department has received from the U. S. Attorney's Office the amount of \$63,475.60 in equitable sharing funds. This was for the department's participation in an operation with the FBI Task Force. The total received in the last few weeks amounted to \$117,667.34 which was for participation in the Task Force. The money will be used for training, protective equipment, equipment for the entry team, radio communication equipment, and video enhancement equipment.

Chief Neftzer also announced that they were able to make some arrests on robbery and break-ins that occurred in the Portage, Promway and Promler areas. Also working with some neighboring agencies, they were able to help bring some career criminals to justice.

Walters commended Chief Neftzer, the Detective Bureau and the entire department who worked on the apprehension of those people.

Burger added his commendations to the department, also.

Central Maintenance

Moore reported that the door access controls have been completed at the Hall. The security upgrades will be starting.

Park Department

Ruwadi reported the Park Department is working on programs organization and getting quotes for the Celebration.

He said there has been no vandalism in the last few weeks and they are waiting for prices for cameras. Chief Neftzer added that the capability is there to add cameras and discussion has been taking place.

Zoning & Planning

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 I

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to set a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on February 11, 2008 for Zoning Text Amendment #566-07 for miscellaneous text changes including sign posting requirements for map amendments. **3-0 yes**

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 J

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to set a public hearing at 6:40 p.m. on February 11, 2008 for Zoning Text Amendment #567-07 for regulations for free-standing wind energy conversion systems and miscellaneous text changes. **3-0 yes**

Fiscal Office

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 K

Pizzino moved and Burgers seconded a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$682,778.87. **3-0 yes**

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 L

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2008 Board of Trustees meeting. **3-0 yes**

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 M

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to send the request to the Stark County Auditor for advance of property taxes collected. **3-0 yes**

Gonzalez reported that on the SCOG Committee working on the regional dispatch, Joe Concatto was the representative for the fire departments. Mr. Concatto has accepted another position and is no longer with the city of Canton. Chief Heck has been asked to fill that position.

There was some discussion on the preliminary report and how those recommendations would affect the police and fire departments of different entities.

Routine Business

Announcements

- Next regular Board of Trustees meeting, February 11, 2008, 4:00 p.m., Executive and/or Work Session; 6:00p.m., General Session, Township Hall.
- LOGIC, February 7, 2008, 9:00 a.m., Safety Center, Chiefs' Conference Room.

- CIC, January 29, 2008, 5:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- Board of Zoning Appeals, February 14, 2008, 7:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- Citizens Advisory Committee:
 - Community Celebration, February 12, 2008, 5:30 p.m., Township Hall.
 - Park, February 12, 2008, 6:30 p.m., Township Hall.
 - Highway/Traffic, February 20, 2008, 6:30 p.m., Township Hall.

Old Business – None

New Business

ATTACHMENT 01/28/08 N

Walters moved and Burger seconded a motion not to request a hearing on the liquor license to Rare Hospitality International Inc., 6626 NW Strip Ave & Patio, Canton, Ohio 44720. **3-0 yes**

Public Speaks – Open Forum

No one came forward.

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

John Pizzino

Randy Gonzalez