

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**MINUTES OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING**

**JULY 25, 2005**

Burger called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. at the Jackson Township Hall with all Trustees, Clerk, Lyon, Fitzgerald and Heck present.

Pizzino moved and Meeks seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Fire Department Personnel (Appointment/Employment/Compensation) and for Land Acquisition – To consider the purchase of property for public purposes. **3-0 yes**

Upon return from Executive Session, Burger opened the Work Session with the Highway Department.

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 A**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve Budget Module No. 7-05-C for the Dunkeith Drainage Improvement. **Burger yes  
Pizzino yes  
Meeks abstained**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 B**

Burger moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve the appropriation transfer request from account code 204.310.5387, Discretionary, to account code 204.310.5558, Drainage, in the amount of \$5,000. **Burger yes  
Pizzino yes  
Meeks abstained**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 C**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to approve Mr. Ryder's request for \$1,000 for landscaping material removed for the Dunkeith Drainage. **Burger yes  
Pizzino yes  
Meeks abstained**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 D**

Pizzino moved and Meeks seconded a motion for a proposal not to exceed \$4,500 to ME Companies to design alignment and profiles of Amherst & Beatty Streets, leading to project limits and an accurate cost of the project. **3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 E**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to authorize the placement of the Board President's signature upon the Frank/Strausser/Applegrove Connector Project Amended Agreement. **3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 F**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to authorize the placement of the Board President's signature upon the attached Engineering Services Agreement Amendment. **3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 G**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to authorize the placement of the Board President's signature upon the attached Change Order No. 1 for the Portage West II Project for the amount of \$8,646. **3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 H**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to authorize the placement of the Board's signatures upon the attached Agreement with Willmoll Development Company 1 Ltd. **3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 I**

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to authorize the placement of the Board's signatures on the attached Sixth Supplemental Consultant Services Agreement for the Fulton/Wales Intersection Improvement Project. **3-0 yes**

At 6:00 p.m. Burger called the General Session to order with all department heads present. Burger requested that all cell phones and pagers be turned off at this time.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Public Speaks** – None.

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 J**

Burger introduced Connie Puleo, President of Towne Club #443. Ms. Puleo explained the vision, the goals and the missions of the Toastmasters Club. Mr. Burger has been invited to present Towne Club #443 with a proclamation in honor of its 58<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Mr. Burger then read the proclamation.

**Administration Department**

**RESOLUTION 05-061, ATTACHED**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to renew the attached Lease with the Jackson Township Recycling Station, Inc. for a one year term expiring August 31, 2006. **3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 K**

Burger moved and Meeks seconded a motion to accept the retirement of John C. Phillippi effective July 30, 2005. **3-0 yes**

**Fire Department**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 L**

Burger moved and Meeks seconded a motion to accept the retirement of Donald McDonald effective July 31, 2005. **3-0 yes**

## **Highway Department**

### **RESOLUTION 05-062, ATTACHED**

Burger moved and Meeks seconded a motion to adopt and authorize the placement of a stop sign at: Grayson Green St. N.W. to stop northwest bound at Great Court Circle N.W. **3-0 yes**

### **ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 M**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to authorize the placement of the Board's signatures upon the attached Engineering Consultant Agreement with ME Companies, Inc. **3-0 yes**

## **Legal Department**

### **ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 N**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to adopt the attached Easements and Temporary Right of Way Agreements for the Strausser/Lutz Widening Project and further authorize the payment of the consideration described therein. **3-0 yes**

## **Police Department**

### **ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 O**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Shelley Bender for the purpose of Family & Medical Leave, not to exceed her remaining FMLA balance. **3-0 yes**

## **Zoning & Planning Department**

### **RESOLUTION 05-063, ATTACHED**

Pizzino moved and Meeks seconded a motion that the Jackson Township Board of Trustees, having been informed in writing that noxious weeds are growing on the lands in charge of Mark Toth, in Jackson Township, described as follows: 2245 Devonshire Dr. N.W., Lot #22 Dunkeith Hills #2, Canton, Ohio 44708, Parcel No. 1700441, Jackson Township.

Therefore, be it resolved that said Mark Toth, whose tax mailing address is c/o Residential Bancorp, PO Box 35425, Canton, Ohio 44708, be notified by serving on them by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such land and that, pursuant to ORC Section 5579.05, they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is no need for doing so. The owner shall have a continuing duty to cut or destroy the noxious weeds every 30 days from the date of this Resolution until September 30. If the owner fails to meet this obligation within the five-day period, or the subsequent 30 day periods, the Township will mow at \$150.00 per hour with a \$400.00 minimum charge. **3-0 yes**

### **ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 P**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to notify the Stark County Auditor by Certified Mail of charges for the cutting of noxious weeds at 7900 Cambridge Street NW, Lot #170-

32'EE; 171 WH, Oakdale Allotment, Parcel No. 16-03294, S. W. Qtr. Section 28, Jackson Township, to be entered upon the tax duplicate and to be a lien upon the above real estate.

**3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 Q**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to notify the Stark County Auditor by Certified Mail of charges for the cutting of noxious weeds on .45 acres Brunnerdale Avenue NW, Parcel No. 16-23509, N. W. Qtr. Section 23, Jackson Township, to be entered upon the tax duplicate and to be a lien upon the above real estate.

**3-0 yes**

**Clerk's Office**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 R**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$305,707.65.

**3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 S**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2005 Board of Trustees meeting.

**3-0 yes**

**ATTACHMENT 07/25/05 T**

Meeks moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve the appropriation transfer request from account code 101.150.5230, Workers Compensation to account code 101.150.5414, Equipment Maintenance in the amount of \$447.19 and from account code 101.150.5230, Workers Compensation to account code 101.150.5466, Bonding Insurance in the amount of \$800.00.

**3-0 yes**

**Routine Business**

**Announcements**

- Next regular Board of Trustees meeting, August 8, 2005, 4:00 p.m. Executive Session and/or Work Session, 6:00 p.m., General Session, Township Hall.
- CIC, August 1, 2005, 5:45 p.m., Township Hall.
- LOGIC, August 4, 2005, 9:00 a.m., Safety Center, Chiefs' Conference Room.
- Board of Zoning Appeals:
  - July 28, 2005, 6:45 p.m., Township Hall.
  - August 25, 2005, 7:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- Zoning Commission Work Session, July 28, 2005, 5:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- Citizens Advisory Committees:
  - Community Celebration, August 10, 2005, 6:00 p.m., Township Hall.

- Park, August 16, 2005, 6:30 p.m., Township Hall.
- Highway/Traffic, August 17, 2005, 6:30 p.m., Township Hall.

**Old Business**

Meeks reported on the request to Mo Darwish, District 4 Deputy Director of ODOT, regarding signage along Interstate 77 identifying Jackson Township. Mr. Darwish’s response, dated July 20, 2005 to the Board of Trustees says that signage standards state that only names of incorporated municipalities are to be installed on freeway guide signing. Meeks proposed meeting with Mr. Darwish, to present Jackson Township’s view that due to the size and strength of the Township and the ingress and egress from I-77 that the Township should be identified by signage.

Gonzalez brought up the fact that the signs are put up for the convenience of travelers. People searching for the Park System in order to attend tournaments or other events would find signs on I-77 helpful. He also mentioned that Canal Fulton and North Canton, which are on the Portage Ave. ramp signs, are only half the size of Jackson Township. The Board previously had sent letters to Senator Schuring and Representative Oelslager on this matter and they had sent letters in support of this signage. He suggested sending a follow up letter to them.

Pizzino reminded the Board that LOGIC owes Jackson Township money and has been repaying that debt at \$25,000 per year. He asked if it would be possible to postpone the payment until closer to the end of the year so they would be better able to determine LOGIC’s financial position.

Meeks asked if payment would be made by December 31.

Pizzino assured him that it would be paid before the end of the year.

**New Business**

None

**Public Speaks – Open Forum**

No one came forward.

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to recess until 7:00 p.m. **3-0 yes**

At 7:00 p.m., Burger opened the Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan.

John Phillippi opened with a brief history and purpose of the Comprehensive Steering Plan Committee.

Ed McDonnell as chairman of the Steering Committee presented the main points of the Plan, which are:

1. Protect and enhance the residential character of the Township for residents of all ages and socio-economic groups.
2. To increase the amount of green space and recreational opportunities within the Township.
3. To protect and enhance the business and economic opportunities with the Township.
4. To protect the resources.
5. To protect Township land and tax base from annexation.

Mr. McDonnell thanked the Board for giving a committee of residents the opportunity to ensure the plan met the goals and visions of the people of the township.

Mr. Meeks thanked the committee for the entire Board for the input and work done on the Plan.

Doris Heggy of Strausser St. lives in a residential area surrounded by commercial property. They have been told over the last 4 years that it is unsellable as a residential property. They don't want to rezone as commercial and she wanted the Board to know that they were in favor of some type of zoning, while not commercial, that allowed research or something along that line.

Mr. Meeks thanked her and said that her property was in the area for the proposed Research and Technology District.

Rob Kegler of McKenna Associates thanked the Board on behalf of his firm for allowing them to work on the project.

Mr. Pizzino thanked the committee members for the work they did and hoped that the Plan will be kept up-to-date in the future.

Mr. Burger also thanked the committee and wanted to let them know how enthused he was about the number of residents that responded to the public meetings that were held and the input that was received.

Mr. Meeks reiterated the Board's concern about the future and how this Plan strengthens the future of the Township.

Mr. Phillippi concluded that this plan provides a good opportunity to provide a foundation but that it must be kept up-to-date and changed in regards to future developments within the Township.

Mr. Gonzalez said he has read the entire Plan and finds it to be a great piece that explains a lot about Jackson Township, more than just zoning issues. It includes transportation, existing land use and future land use. As he sees it, it comes down to one thing – economy. The Township's economy is based strictly on property taxes. He encourages the public to look at this report as a

great outline of what the Township should become and what it should look like in the next 10 – 20 years. He also thanked the citizens who worked so hard on the plan.

Mr. Meeks thanked Rob and Julia for their participation and input.

Pizzino moved and Burger seconded a motion to adjourn.

**3-0 yes**

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**William Burger, President**

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**Randy Gonzalez, Clerk**