

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

MARCH 13, 2012

Walters called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. at the Jackson Township Hall with Trustees Walters and Pizzino, Fiscal Officer, Lyon, Fitzgerald, Zink and Hogue present. Trustee Burger was absent.

Work Session

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 A

Skill Games

Lyon told the Board there have been inquiries regarding skill games and whether the Township can charge fees to those facilities. She said she checked with the Law Director and it appears that the Township can add that type of fee to the fee schedule that is adopted by resolution separate from the zoning book. She said the proposal to the Trustees is to consider putting a vendor fee and a 'per machine fee' on the skill game establishments. She said these businesses are now restricted to the I-1 district and the fees would only affect future businesses in that district.

Pizzino said he had the Zoning Administrator check with other communities to see what zoning district these businesses are allowed into. He said most of them are in B-3 so that might require looking into. He said there are communities to the north that are charging as much as \$2,500.00 per application and then a specific amount per machine per year. He said he wanted to do some more research before a decision was made. He requested that this be tabled until more information and research was available.

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 B

Park Funding

Lyon told the Board this is the same information they were given previously so the discussion is to determine if the Board wants to proceed with a park levy. She said if a levy is put on the ballot there are some organizations that want to begin work on campaign issues and that there is a deadline of July to make a decision. She said two resolutions are required and those would have to be done on July 10 and July 24.

Pizzino said he has talked with Fiscal Officer Gonzalez a number of times regarding this and several options have been discussed. He said he wants to do more research.

Gonzalez said he received information on a bill that is pending that would do away with the second portion of the undivided local government fund. He said he estimated that would be another \$450,000.00 loss to Jackson Township. He said the Township is looking at a loss of approximately 3 to 4 million dollars per year for the next two years with the reductions starting in 2013.

Pizzino asked if he had an estimated number of what the general fund would go down to. Gonzalez said he would estimate the amount to be \$2,500,000.00.

There was some additional discussion regarding options and the amounts that would be raised with different levy options.

Walters called a short recess.

At 5:00 p.m., Walters called the General Session to order with all department heads present except Poindexter who was absent. 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 12-023, ATTACHED SECTION 125, PREMIUM ONLY PLAN

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion whereas, the Jackson Township Board of Trustees entered into an agreement with Aultra Administrative Group to administer medical coverage for Jackson Township employees and elected officials.

Be it resolved that each insured employee or elected official shall contribute towards the cost of the medical coverage as described in attached Exhibit A beginning March 2, 2012 for the remaining 22 pay in 2012 which is subject to amendment in January, 2013.

Be it further resolved that Jackson Township Board of Trustees hereby adopts a “Section 125 Premium Only Plan” all in accordance with the specifications annexed hereto which are applicable only to the above described employee and elected official medical coverage contribution which shall be known as the “Jackson Township Board of Trustees Premium Only Plan” Document which does not confer any additional benefits than now existing.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees, Fiscal Officer and the Township Administrator shall undertake all actions necessary to implement and administer said plan. **2-0 yes**

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 C

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to adopt and authorize the placement of any Board Member’s signature upon the attached agreement with Canton Chair Rental for the Community Celebration. **2-0 yes**

Legal Department

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 D

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion not to request a hearing on the liquor license for Roosters Canton, Inc., 4335 Dressler Rd., Canton, Ohio 44720. **2-0 yes**

RESOLUTION 12-024, ATTACHED

PART TIME PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion pursuant to ORC Sections 5571.02 and 511.10, Ralph E. Boger is hereby employed and appointed as part time Public Works Director/Highway Superintendent, at the rate of \$37.5381 per hour up to twenty eight and one half (28.5) hours per week and who will not be included in the Benefit Package for Management Personnel, effective March 14, 2012. **2-0 yes**

Police Department

RESOLUTION 12-025, ATTACHED

PART TIME PATROL OFFICER HOURLY RATE

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to rescind attached Resolution No. 06-102.

Be it further resolved that we hereby establish the hourly rate of Part Time Patrol Officers at \$16.5899 per hour effective February 25, 2012.

Be it further resolved that Part Time Patrol Officers' compensation is not contemplated by the Benefit Package for Management Personnel, Article II, Compensation. **2-0 yes**

Public Works Department

Park

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 E

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to authorize the hiring of Stephen A. Guerrieri as a seasonal park maintenance worker (fourth year), through the temporary service, subject to a negative drug screen, at the rate of \$8.80 per hour, effective March 19, 2012, per the recommendation of the Park Maintenance and Grounds Foreman. **2-0 yes**

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to authorize the hiring of Matthew B. Marlett as a seasonal park maintenance worker (seventh year), through the temporary service, subject to a negative drug screen, at the rate of \$8.85 per hour, effective March 19, 2012, per the recommendation of the Park Maintenance and Grounds Foreman. **2-0 yes**

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to accept a \$500.00 donation to the Parks from Jackson Youth LaCrosse Association. **2-0 yes**

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to accept a \$250.00 sponsorship donation to the 2012 Community Celebration from Heitger Funeral Home, Inc. **2-0 yes**

Zoning & Planning Department

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 F

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to authorize the attached assessment withdrawals.
2-0 yes

Pizzino explained this is for weed resolutions that were taken care of before the time expired and were billed in error.

RESOLUTION 12-026, ATTACHED NOXIOUS WEEDS POLICY AMENDMENT

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to adopt and authorize the attached amendments to the Noxious Weeds Policy effective immediately.
2-0 yes

Fiscal Office

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 G

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$1,048,936.57.
2-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 H

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2012 Board of Trustees' meeting.
2-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 03/13/12 I

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve the February 2012 Financial Reports.
2-0 yes

Routine Business

Announcements

- Next regular Board of Trustees meeting, March 27, 2012, 4:00 p.m., Executive Session and/or Work Session; 5:00 p.m., General Session, Township Hall.
- CIC Subcommittee, March 20, 2012, 8:45 a.m., Township Hall.
- LOGIC, April 5, 2012, 9:00 a.m., Jackson Safety Center, Chiefs' Conference Room.
- Zoning Commission, April 19, 2012, 5:00 p.m., Township Hall.
- Citizens Advisory Committee:
 - Community Celebration, March 14, 2012, 5:30 p.m., Township Hall.

- Friends of the Park, March 14, 2012, 6:30 p.m., Township Hall.
- Stark County Township Association, Jackson Township will host the dinner/meeting on March 15, 2012, at 6:30 p.m., at the Safety Center.
- Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 31, 2012, 11:00 a.m., Jackson North Park.

Old Business – None

New Business

Pizzino told the Board he had a letter from Trustee Burger he wanted to read.

“Dear Jackson Township Board of Trustees,

I hereby tender my resignation as a Trustee of Jackson Township. My resignation will be effective as of March 31, 2012. Due to personal reasons, I can no longer fulfill my obligation to the residents and employees of the Township. Serving Jackson Township has always been a great pleasure and an honor in my life.

Respectfully,
William M. Burger”

Fitzgerald explained what needed to be done regarding who needed to be notified and by whom and when applications could be accepted and when the appointment could be made.

**RESOLUTION 12-027, ATTACHED
TRUSTEE RESIGNATION**

Walters moved and Pizzino seconded a motion whereas, William M. Burger has submitted the attached resignation as Trustee of Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio effective March 31, 2012 at midnight.

Whereas, as a result of William M. Burger’s above resignation, a vacancy in the office of Trustee of Jackson Township, Stark county, Ohio, exists and pursuant to ORC Section 503.24, the remaining members of the Board of Trustees, within 30 days of the occurrence of said vacancy, have the authority to appoint a person having the qualifications of an elector to fill such vacancy until a successor is elected in accordance with law.

Be it resolved that we accept the resignation of William M. Burger as Trustee, Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio effective March 31, 2012 at midnight.

Be it further resolved that we hereby authorize the Township Fiscal Officer to notify the board of Elections in accordance with law of the vacancy in the office of Trustee, Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees authorizes the receipt of applications to fill the vacancy for Trustee, Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio until April 2, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

2-0 yes

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to authorize the Township Administrator to advertise the vacancy of Trustee.

2-0 yes

Pizzino said he and Bill Burger served in the Fire Department together and that Bill probably has 40 plus years with the Township as a volunteer firefighter, a full time firefighter, an assistant chief at the time of retirement and then in 2001, he was elected a Trustee. He said Bill has been very involved in the community and was one of the founding members of the Historical Society. He said Bill always jumped in and helped wherever he could and he will be missed.

Walters echoed those sentiments. He said he met Bill eight or nine years ago when he first moved to the Township. He said Bill “truly dedicated his life to Jackson Township and his community”.

Chief Hogue said he turned his original volunteer application in to Bill when he was a senior in high school. He said Bill was not only his boss in the fire department as he moved up through the ranks but when he was promoted to Chief, Bill was his boss as a Trustee. He also said Bill will be missed.

Public Speaks – Open Forum

No one came forward.

Pizzino moved and Walters seconded a motion to adjourn.

2-0 yes

James Walters

Randy Gonzalez