

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Jerome Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3336 FORM NO. 10148

Held _____

March 1, 2022

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The Jerome Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on March 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Board Chairman Megan Sloat called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Megan Sloat, Barry Adler and Wezlynn Davis answered the roll call. Also in attendance were Robert Caldwell (Fiscal Officer), Eric Snowden (Zoning Coordinator/Inspector), Doug Stewart (Fire Chief/Director of Departments), Peter Griggs (Brosius, Johnson & Griggs), Michael Loughry (attorney) and members of the public.

Ms. Sloat presented the agenda which was reviewed, modified as necessary and approved.

Robert Caldwell, Fiscal Officer, provided the Board with updated financial reports (receipt account status, appropriation status and fund status). Mr. Caldwell presented the pending warrants as detailed in the "Pending Warrant Report," for payment. The Fiscal Officer certified that there were sufficient funds to pay the bills. It was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Barry Adler that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees approve warrants 42579 through 42606 and 92013 through 92016 for payment.

The vote resulted as follows:

Megan Sloat, yes
Barry Adler, yes
Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried.

Executive Session

At 7:03 p.m. it was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Wezlynn Davis that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees adjourn into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(3) with legal counsel to discuss pending or imminent court action.

The vote resulted as follows:

Megan Sloat, yes
Barry Adler, yes
Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried.

At 9:05 p.m. it was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Barry Adler that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees adjourn from executive session.

The vote resulted as follows:

Megan Sloat, yes
Barry Adler, yes
Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried.

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

Executive Session

At 9:05 p.m. it was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Barry Adler that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees adjourn into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) for the purpose of considering confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, and trade secrets of an applicant for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered pursuant to ORC Section 5709.73 to 5709.75, inclusive, and involves public infrastructure improvements directly related to an economic development project. The executive session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the proposed economic development project.

The vote resulted as follows:

Megan Sloat, yes
Barry Adler, yes
Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried.

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At 10:03 p.m. it was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Barry Adler that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees adjourn from executive session.

The vote resulted as follows:

Megan Sloat, yes

Barry Adler, yes

Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried.

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

Department Reports

Director of Departments

Mr. Stewart provided the following updates:

- Responses
- Scheduled a meeting with the Union County Prosecutor to review the cemetery rules and Township Hall rental agreement
- Installed the AED cabinet at the Township Hall
- Received the new meeting tables
- Informed the Board the Township was not selected for the road stimulus program
- Reported salt usage of 270 tons with 450 tons remaining in the salt barn

Fire Division

Doug Stewart, Fire Chief, reporting the new hire was awaiting a background check and would then be introduced to the Board. He also asked the Board to provide their availability to attend a groundbreaking for Station 211 on the afternoon of March 22 or March 23.

Old Business

Ms. Sloat provided the Board with an update on the rebranding project. She reported that based on inquiries with other political subdivisions the cost will run between \$20,000 and \$25,000. Based on this she feels it would be best to delay the project until 2023 when funds can be budgeted. She also noted that there will be additional costs incurred for changes that will need to be made to the website upgrade project resulting from rebranding. The Board agreed that it would be best to wait to ensure cohesiveness between the projects.

Mr. Adler reported that action is taking place with the Trails and Parks Committee by looking at options for funding with added community outreach.

Mr. Adler reported the baseball lottery was completed and the schedule is in the process of being prepared.

Mr. Stewart indicated that the sound quality of the meetings with the previous and existing microphones has been an issue. He recommended to the Board to install fixed microphones in the ceiling which will provide better reception. The cost is estimated at \$870 per microphone.

New Business

Mr. Adler provided the Board with information regarding the monument rock located at State Route 736. He reported the rock has been there since 1934 and was placed there by The Hannah Emerson Dustin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. He noted the desire to have the rock relocated and would work with Plain City to determine an action plan.

Mr. Caldwell presented the Board with the annual inventory. He explained that the Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to conduct an annual inventory to be accepted by the Board. It was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Barry Adler that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees accept the annual inventory of Jerome Township for 2021.

The vote resulted as follows:

Megan Sloat, yes

Barry Adler, yes

Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried.

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Mr. Caldwell informed the Board of his receipt of the resolution from the Union County Commissioners to accept the donation of \$100 to the Jerome Township Memorial Committee for expenses associated with Memorial Day services. It was moved by Barry Adler and seconded by Wezlynn Davis that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees approve the resolution accepting the appropriation made by the Union County Board of Commissioners to the Jerome Township Memorial Committee in the amount of \$100.

The vote resulted as follows:

Megan Sloat, yes
Barry Adler, yes
Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried. (Res. 22-025)

Ms. Sloat indicated the Board wished to set a special meeting. It was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Barry Adler that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

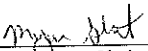
The Jerome Township Board of Trustees set a special meeting for the purpose of conducting an executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(3) with legal counsel to discuss pending or imminent court action and take any action resulting.

The vote resulted as follows:


Megan Sloat, yes
Barry Adler, yes
Wezlynn Davis, yes

The motion carried.

At 10:46 p.m. it was moved by Megan Sloat and seconded by Wezlynn Davis that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adjourn. The motion carried.



Megan Sloat, Chairman



Robert Caldwell, Fiscal Officer