

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Jerome Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS &amp; SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held

January 22, 2019

20

The Jerome Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on January 22, 2019 at 8:04 p.m. following a public hearing. Board Chairman Joe Craft called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ronald Rhodes, Joe Craft and C.J. Lovejoy answered the roll call. Also in attendance were Robert Caldwell (Fiscal Officer), Mark Spagnuolo (Zoning Inspector), Doug Stewart (Fire Chief) and members of the public.

Mr. Craft 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 Ron Rhodes and seconded by C.J. Lovejoy that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**The Jerome Township Board of Trustees approve warrants 39829 through 39911 and 98096 through 99009 for payment.**

The vote resulted as follows:

Ronald Rhodes, yes  
Lonnie (Joe) Craft, yes  
Charles (C.J.) Lovejoy, yes

**The resolution carried. (Res. 19-020)**

Mr. Caldwell presented the Board with a report from the Ohio Department of Transportation for the 2018 Township Highway System Mileage Certification indicating that the Township had 26.082 miles of road, up from 23.174.

Mr. Caldwell indicated that the Township was in receipt of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) 2019 membership dues invoice in the amount of \$3,938.05 and asked to Board if they wished to continue this membership. It was moved by Ron Rhodes and seconded by Joe Craft that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**The Jerome Township Board of Trustees renew the 2019 membership dues with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC).**

The vote resulted as follows:

Ronald Rhodes, yes  
Lonnie (Joe) Craft, yes  
Charles (C.J.) Lovejoy, yes

**The resolution carried. (Res. 19-021)**

#### Public Participation

Jeanette Harrington asked the Board how are they going to residents near the commercial areas from large buildings in light of the recent change to the zoning resolution. Mr. Craft empathized stating he can see her reason for concern. The Board indication at steps are being taken to look at an overlay plan. Ms. Harrington expressed her concern over the lack of long term vision.

Jeff Kuzma stated that over his years with the Township that the zoning has worked for the most part and issues will be encountered in any area growing at the rate Jerome Township is growing.

Megan Sloat stated that she realizes that this area is the fastest growing area and that she knows it will not remain farmland. However, she stated there needs to be a structural transition plan from commercial areas to residential areas. Building sizes need to be limited to a size that residents can be comfortable with and not massive. In addition she encouraged the Board to involve residents in the comprehensive plan update. Mr. Craft assured those in attendance that the Board will look at the various areas and determine what works and what does not work.

Chris Schmeck, Union County Commissioner, was in attendance to show here continued willingness to work with the Township. As part of that relationship, Mr. Rhodes recommended that the Board approve the expenditure of \$25,000 to the Union County Sheriff's Office with the possibility that it be used to acquire an additional canine. The Board members were all in agreement.

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Jerome Township Board of Trustees**

Minutes of

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS &amp; SUPPLIES 644-9231-3338 FORM NO. 10149

Held January 22, 2019 20Department ReportsRoads/Parks

Mr. Lovejoy reported that the baseball lottery is scheduled for February 27.

Fire Division

Doug Stewart, Fire Chief, provided the following report:

- Personnel update including lieutenant's promotional process, resignation of Lt. Parsons who as accepted a Battalion Captain position at Pleasant Valley, and part-time candidates
- Bids for concrete repair are anticipated to go out in early February
- Receipt of a 2013 Ford Explorer from the Union County Sheriff's Office to be used for fire inspections, training, and future use as a battalion vehicle

Chief Stewart provided the Board with a memorandum of understanding relating to Article 8 of the contract with Local 3555. He explained that as part of the recent hiring process it was determined that the current language of the Article is subjective and it had been recommended that the language be changed. It was moved by Joe Craft and seconded by C.J. Lovejoy that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**The Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the Memorandum of Understanding making a change to Article \* of the contract with Local 3555.**

The vote resulted as follows:

Ronald Rhodes, yes  
 Lonnie (Joe) Craft, yes  
 Charles (C.J.) Lovejoy, yes

**The resolution carried. (Res. 19-022)**

Chief Stewart provided the Board with a copy of the new written policy governing the lateral transfer of personnel.

Executive Session

At 9:08 p.m. it was moved by Joe Craft and seconded by C.J. Lovejoy 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)(1) to consider the appointment and employment of a public employee.**

The vote resulted as follows:

Ronald Rhodes, yes  
 Lonnie (Joe) Craft, yes  
 Charles (C.J.) Lovejoy, yes

**The motion carried.**

At 9:50 p.m. it was moved by Ron Rhodes and seconded by Joe Craft that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

**The Jerome Township Board of Trustees adjourn from executive session.**

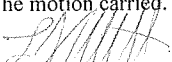
The vote resulted as follows:

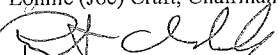
Ronald Rhodes, yes  
 Lonnie (Joe) Craft, yes  
 Charles (C.J.) Lovejoy, yes

**The motion carried.**

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

At 9:51 p.m. it was moved by Joe Craft and seconded by Ron Rhodes that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adjourn. The motion carried.

  
 Lonnie (Joe) Craft, Chairman

  
 Robert Caldwell, Fiscal Officer