

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Jerome Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS &amp; SUPPLIES 6-11-2014-2018 FORM NO. 1014B

Held

July 16, 2019

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The Jerome Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on July 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. 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), Doug Stewart (Fire Chief/Director of Departments) and members of the public.

Mr. Craft presented the agenda which was reviewed, modified as necessary and approved.

Mr. Caldwell presented minutes for approval. 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 waive the reading and approve the following minutes:**

- Public hearings of June 3, 2019 (three hearings)
- Regular meeting of June 3, 2019
- Regular meeting of June 17, 2019
- Regular meeting continued of June 18, 2019
- Public hearing continued of June 25, 2019
- Special meeting of June 27, 2019
- Public hearing of July 1, 2019
- Regular meeting of July 2, 2019

The vote resulted as follows:

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

**The motion carried.**

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 Joe Craft that the Jerome Township Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**The Jerome Township Board of Trustees approve warrants 40286 through 40321 and 99050 through 99054 for payment.**

The vote resulted as follows:

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

**The resolution carried. (Res. 19-070)**

Mr. Caldwell presented the Board with a notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding the permits for Columbus Hospitality LLC & Pool & Grassy Area (permit classes D51 and D6) and James A Francisco & Pool & Grassy Area (permit classes D51 and D6) located at 7875 Ryan Parkway. The Board was in agreement that they did not wish to request a hearing.

#### Department Reports

##### Public Safety Officer

Deputy C. Myers US Route 42 and Taylor Road were closed for culvert repairs.

##### Director of Departments

Mr. Stewart updated the Board on activities of the Road Division. He reported that an individual with family buried at the Jerome Cemetery had raised a concern over moles and had gone as far as to engage a company to start treatments. He stated that they are asking the Board to consider reimbursing them for the cost of these treatments as the whole cemetery needed to be covered not just a section. 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 approve the reimbursement for mole treatment up to an amount of \$1,350.**

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The vote resulted as follows:

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

**The resolution carried. (Res. 19-071)**

Mr. Stewart provided an update on obtaining quotes for security and IT indicating it all should be done at one time. He also provide the Board with a list of potential meetings that Jerome Township wished to have representation. The Board indicated to add the Council of Governments meeting to the list. 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 list of meetings for representation.**

The vote resulted as follows:

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

**The resolution carried. (Res. 19-072)**

#### Fire Division

Doug Stewart, Fire Chief, provided the following report:

- Response stats
- Personnel update
  - Lt. David Wilson assigned as the Community Safety Lieutenant
  - Firefighter Jamie Wilson promoted to Lieutenant effective June 29
  - Firefighter Austin Steel will graduate from the Grant Medical Center Paramedic Program on July 17
- New engine was delivered today
- Medic unit is on scheduled to be delivered late September or early October
- Working with a broker to sell the 2002 Smeal fire truck
- Working on a grant request for tornado sirens (Jerome Village has committed to two)

The Board discussed the Fire Levy. Mr. Craft emphasized that the levy was for operating needs for manpower and capital concerns would need to be addressed at another time. The Board suggested obtaining certified amounts for 5.5 mills and 5.3 mills. Chief Stewart reminded those in attendance that calculations showed that at least 6.6 mills was needed. However, the Board felt that 6.6 mills would be a hard sell to tax payers and new projections were completed for lower staffing. 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 approve the Resolution Declaring the Necessity to Levy a Tax in Excess of the Ten Mill Limitation and request certification from the Union County Auditor of 5.5 mills and 5.3 mills.**

The vote resulted as follows:

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

**The motion carried. (Resolution 19-073)**

#### Executive Session

At 8:10 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 discipline of a public employee.**

The vote resulted as follows:

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

**The motion carried.**

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GOVERNMENT FORMS &amp; SUPPLIES 611-204-0000 PERM. NO. 10118

Held

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At 9:20 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 from executive session.**

The vote resulted as follows:

Ronald Rhodes, absent

Lonnie (Joe) Craft, yes

Charles (C.J.) Lovejoy, yes

**The motion carried.**

Mr. Rhodes left prior to the ending of executive session.

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

Mr. Craft indicated that the Board needed to continue discussion of the fire levy and employee discipline. 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 continue the regular meeting to Friday, July 19, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the Jerome Township Hall.**

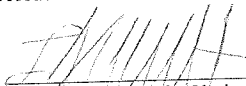
The vote resulted as follows:

Ronald Rhodes, absent

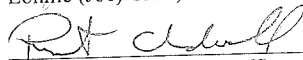
Lonnie (Joe) Craft, yes

Charles (C.J.) Lovejoy, yes

**The motion carried.**



Lonnie (Joe) Craft, Chairman



Robert Caldwell, Fiscal Officer