

# JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Montgomery County

**Regular Meeting  
September 13, 2021**

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Mr. Ryan Hodson, Trustee Vice President, called the Jackson Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, to order on **Monday, September 13, 2021** at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was as follows:

ELECTED OFFICIALS:			Present	Absent
Michael Moyer		Trustee President	X	
Ryan Hodson		Trustee Vice President	X	
Randall DeVilbiss		Trustee	X	
Elizabeth Kozarec		Fiscal Officer	X	
TOWNSHIP STAFF:				
Chief Jeff Erisman		Chief of Farmersville Fire Dept.	X	
Chief Jon Schade		Chief of Jackson Twp. Police	X	
Doug Pohl		Road Superintendent	X	

**VISITORS:** Mr. and Mrs. Chris and Stacey Creech, Mr. Hanson Brown, Mr. Jimmy Peters

**VISITOR COMMENTS:** Mr. Brown asked if Swartzel Rd. was really closed. Mr. Pohl stated that was for large trucks only during the repairs to Center Street in Farmersville.

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM August 9, 2021, Regular Meeting:** Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said minutes; Mr. DeVilbiss motioned to approve and Mr. Hodson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM September 7, 2021, Special Meeting:** Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said minutes; Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS AND WARRANTS FROM August 10, 2021 through September 13, 2021:** Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said electronic payments and warrants in the amount of **\$133,361.35** Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**FIRE: Chief Erisman**

- Chief Erisman stated that they have been busy lately with COVID runs.
- Still communicating with Mr. DeVilbiss regarding the new Medic and what the county is going to do as far as them giving us some type of Grant money from the American Rescue Plan. Mr. DeVilbiss asked the Trustees if they received an email from our Prosecuting Attorney, Nathaniel Peterson, approximately two weeks ago. Mr. Moyer stated he did receive it; Mr. DeVilbiss stated that he requested whenever Mr. Peterson makes contact, he contacts all the Trustees.
- Chief Erisman asked Mr. Moyer if this money was to be given to them does Jackson Twp. have to do a resolution? Mr. DeVilbiss stated that first Jackson Twp. would have to write a letter to Montgomery County asking for the money; and then a resolution stating we would give the money to the Farmersville Fire Department; the Fire Department should also do a resolution that goes along with ours. Chief Erisman stated he thought that was how it should be done wanted to confirm the order. Mr. DeVilbiss stated that all the paperwork is in order and they are still waiting for it to be finalized. Mr. Moyer stated that the county’s ARP money must not have the same regulations as ours, our money has very strict guidelines on how it can be used.
- Mr. Moyer went on to explain that originally, he believed we would be able to use the ARP money on infrastructure (i.e. roads) but we cannot. Basically, we can spend money on the park and Senior Citizens Center.

**POLICE: Chief Schade**

- The video conferencing system has been delayed once again. The Dell monitor was damaged during shipment and we are awaiting the replacement. Hopefully, everything will be operational for the next meeting.
- We have applied for several different grants for body worn cameras. He expects to be awarded some funding in late 2021 or early 2022.
- Motion to declare the 2011 Dodge Charger VIN 2B3CL1CG2BH579365 surplus. Vehicle will be auctioned via GovDeals after the 2021 Tahoe is in service. Mr. Hodson made motion to declare the 2011 Dodge Charger as surplus and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**ROAD: Mr. Pohl**

- Started another project on Lower Gratis Rd. and doing repairs out there which includes straightening of guard rails and berm work and straightening the road up a little.
- We did three blacktop repairs on Guntle Rd.
- While the pool was still open we had to work on the big pool pump – which was an all-day project. So that pump will need to be rebuilt or replaced at some point.
- We have been mowing the park to help out Farmersville.
- Had a tree down on September 9<sup>th</sup> on Swartzel Rd.
- Maintenance on Equipment.
- Ray Hensley, Inc., are supposed to be doing the Rhoads Rd. chip seal on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>. However, it looks like the weather will not allow it, so it will be pushed back.
- Kramer and Associates, sent an email stating they are still working on bids for Havermale Rd. project and may get it done this year; however, when Mr. Pohl spoke to them they said they may push it back to spring of 2022; which Mr. Pohl believes will have to happen no matter what – as there will not be enough time this fall to get it completed.
- Mr. Pohl stated he has been looking into putting new heat into the shop and he has some quotes but they are out of our ball park for this year. He then looked into buying the heaters themselves, he and Mr. Burnett would install and then hire a plumbing company to hook up the gas; he believes this would save the township money to do it this way. Infer-Save heaters would be around \$2,900 and Dayton brand heater would be around \$3,200. Infer-Save comes with a better warranty (2-year on all parts and 4-year on heat exchangers) so Mr. Pohl feels they are the ones he would like to go with.
- Mr. Moyer said the new asphalt machine seems to be working very well – there are no bumps and very smooth transition. Mr. Pohl said he is very happy with it and feels they have saved in material by using this machine.
- Mr. DeVilbiss gave an update on the access to the Stiver Cemetery on Preble County Rd. He has contacted our Prosecuting attorney and asked if the current owners are allowed to offer us the land (and us accept it) so we can move the entrance, can we leave it as a gravel road or do we have to upgrade it to a two-lane road: Mr. DeVilbiss has still not received a response, he called again today and has not heard back. Mr. Pohl stated that the current owners have already put in another private drive so he doesn't believe he will be offering us the land to share. The new drive is safer than the previous one used by both the owner and the cemetery. Mr. Pohl believes we can make the cemetery entrance a "maintenance road" which would be more cost effective.

**PARK:**

- Mr. Moyer stated that Mr. Derek Shell, Farmersville Village Administrator, brought up the fact that we have contacted the company in Cincinnati for three years about repairs to the Pool and the Park Board has seemed to forget about them and the repairs needed. Mr. Moyer brought this up in the last meeting but nothing was resolved.
- Mr. Pohl asked if we have someone that will winterize the pool; Mr. Moyer did not know and said we will have to find out from the Park Board.
- Mr. Hodson stated that Nick Lamb, Village of Farmersville Mayor, contacted Miami Valley Lighting to see if the new lights we need could be included with them and unfortunately, it is not possible.

**ZONING, REFUSE, SENIOR CENTER: Mrs. Hamaker**

**ZONING:** Things are going well with zoning. Letters are being sent out once a month and have properties that she is keeping an eye on. She is still not having much luck getting things cleaned up or getting in touch with anyone that can help with 12520 Hemple Rd. She will continue to work on this.

**REFUSE:** Assessments were sent to the County on September 9, 2021 in the amount of \$11,722.58. That amount includes all of the fees that are charged (5% for Jackson Township and 5% for Montgomery County). The late trash payment total was \$10,632.63.

**IWORQ:** Everything is good.

**SENIOR CENTER:** New water heater was installed and all seems to be going well.

**PARK BOARD MEMBER:** Mackensie Jones would like to be on the park board. Mr. Moyer made motion to appoint Mrs. Jones to the Park Board, Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**SWEARING IN OF PART-TIME OFFICER ISAAC CREECH:**

- Officer Creech is a 2019 graduate of Valley View High School, he had reached out to Chief Schade while still in high school about getting into law enforcement, he had to wait until he was 21 years old. He started the academy in February, 2021 and has passed the state test. He will be working almost every day to get trained and will help alleviate some of the over time issues the department is currently experiencing. Chief Schade swore in Officer Creech as a Jackson Township part-time officer. The Trustees congratulated Officer Creech.

**FISCAL OFFICER: Elizabeth (Lisa) Kozarec**

- Trustees had no questions regarding the fiscal reports provided.

**RESOLUTIONS TO APPROVE:**

***2021-19 – Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor.*** Mr. Hodson made motion to approve Resolution 2021-19, Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- J.E.D.D. is finally being presented to the Valley View School Board tonight, if it is approved, the JEDD committee will meet this Saturday at 8:00 a.m. to set up the public hearing date; all four entities will have their public hearing at the same time.
- The Twisted Pretzel Bike Ride has been cancelled due to COVID. In addition, Chief Schade stated that he confirmed private individuals, that are not law enforcement, cannot be authorized to direct traffic, so that was going to be an issue, as well.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Hodson stated he will be meeting with the WRCG to appoint a Treasurer; they have decided that this position will rotate each year so they have to meet to vote/appoint the new Treasurer. There are currently four entities involved: German Twp, Jackson Twp, Farmersville and Perry Twp. Mr. Hodson also stated that this is the best choice for all to keep rates for refuse down.

Mr. Hodson is still looking into the Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion Grant that gets internet into rural areas. Mrs. Kozarec stated that this is something that the ARP money can be used for if needed. Mr. Hodson stated what qualifies you if there are residents getting less than 10mb per second download and 1mb upload they are considered “unserved”. That is 99% of Jackson Township. Mr. Hodson is looking into getting an application submitted.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

**Mr. Moyer:** None

**Mr. Hodson:** None

**Mr. DeVilbiss:** None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting was made by Mr. Hodson and Seconded by Mr. DeVilbiss, meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

<b>VOTE:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Mr. DeVilbiss	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

Signed by:

Attested by:

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Michael Moyer, President

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Elizabeth Kozarec, Fiscal Officer