

# JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Montgomery County

**Regular Meeting  
December 9, 2024**

49 E. Walnut Street, Farmersville, Ohio 45325

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Mr. Michael Moyer, Trustee President, called the Jackson Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, to order on **Monday, December 9, 2024**, at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was as follows:

ELECTED OFFICIALS:		Present	Absent
Randall DeVilbiss	Trustee	X	
Michael Moyer	Trustee	X	
Ryan Hodson	Trustee	X	
Elizabeth Kozarec	Fiscal Officer	X	
TOWNSHIP:			
Chief Mark Bruner	Police Dept.	X	
Chief Jeff Erisman	Farmersville Fire Dept.	X	
Kristen Hamaker	Zoning, Refuse, Park Administrator	X	
Doug Pohl	Road Superintendent	X	

**VISITORS:** Jimmy Peters

**VISITOR COMMENTS:** None

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM November 11, 2024, 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 ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS AND WARRANTS FROM November 12, 2024 through December 9, 2024:** Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said electronic payments and warrants in the amount of **\$164,632.89**. Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

**FIRE: Chief Erisman**

- The Circus will be coming to the Park again this year on May 17 and 18, 2025.
- Christmas in the Village was a great success. Had many attend the Craft Booths that were set up in the firehouse. Pictures with Santa in the Log Cabin was a huge hit and the Santa Parade around town went well, too.
- Received noticed that they received the MARC’s grant in the amount of \$48,000. Checks will start to be distributed after January 6 and will help fund 20 new portable radios.
- In regards to last month’s questions regarding who is responsible should wires/trees be down on a county road and they (the county) does not come out to repair. Mr. DeVilbiss stated that he spoke with our Prosecuting Attorney and in short “the county is responsible for the maintenance and we are responsible for the safety”. After discussion it was decided that we should purchase more cones and items to block off and mark a safety hazard in the event that we have another situation that removes us from staying at a location.

**POLICE: Chief Bruner – written report**

- All radar units have been installed in the cruisers and are operational.
- Request to purchase/order a 2025 cruiser in the amount not to exceed \$58,000. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

- Request for 3% raise for all full-time officers for 2025. Mr. Moyer made motion to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

- The transition to the new school campus has gone smoothly. German Twp. PD has requested that we are visible during arrival and dismissal.
- S. Preble County Line Rd. report of a robbery/burglary. After investigation, no solid evidence was found to prove accusation.
- Multiple deer versus vehicle strikes.
- We have a Sovereign Citizen(s) at 14250 Lower Gratis Rd. He stated that he received a letter stating the Jackson Twp. PD have been trespassed from this address, and the residents “forbid” the PD from coming on their property – although Fire and Rescue were allowed. Chief Bruner forwarded the letter to Nathaniel Peterson, and he confirmed that the documents have no meaning.
- Theft attempt at the park; 3D Underground truck was gone through (unlocked) nothing known to be missing. Cameras showed vehicle but are too high and too far away to give any credible evidence. Chief stated that we need a license plate reader camera at the Park to be helpful.

**ROAD: Mr. Pohl – written report**

- Finished crack sealing on Fuls Rd.
- Shop and equipment cleaning, putting items away for the winter.
- Snowplow trucks are ready to go, when needed.
- Drew Smith’s last day was November 27, he will be on call if he is needed for snow removal.
- More dumping on Lower Gratis Road recently involving gas tanks.
- Gravel and grading on Lower Gratis and Anthony Roads
- Started putting up the new road signs, the manual for traffic control devices is very hard to understand and follow.

**PARK: Mrs. Hamaker**

- The new borrowed equipment for the cameras at the park was installed on December 2. The cameras seem to be easier to look at and a little clearer. I’m able to see the cameras on my computer instead of having to go to the park to view the recordings.
- An email was sent to the Trustees with the proposal from Kleingers Group for a Master plan for the park; any thoughts on the \$98,000 cost? After discussion, no one was interested in paying for that service.
- The Community Center has been rented out or used a total of 70 times and the Shelter was rented a total of 15 times in 2024.
- A decision needs to be made about the pool opening in 2025, as soon as possible. The Park Committee has scheduled a meeting for December 16 to discuss the pool/park and the 2025 season.

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

**ZONING:**

- A hearing is scheduled for January 6 for Gale Long 10927 Hemple Rd. He is requesting to split off 18 acres of woods from the farm ground.

**REFUSE:**

- Bills were sent out on December 2 for the first quarter of 2025.

**SENIOR CENTER:**

- Things are going well.

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

- Mrs. Kozarec asked if there were any questions on Financials? Trustees had none.
- Anthem medical is going up 6.5% (\$338/month). Request for approval?
- United Heal Care expense is unchanged for 2025. Mr. Hodson made motion to approve both the Anthem and United Health Care for 2025, Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

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

**Resolution 2024-17** Request for Tax Valuation for Police Levy (previous one had a typo). Mr. Hodson made motion to approve and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

**Resolution 2024-19** Authorizing the purchase of 322 E. Center St. Farmersville, OH for the amount of \$175,000. Mr. Hodson made motion to accept and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

**Mr. Moyer:** Requested that we once again provide a Christmas Lunch to both Township and Village employees on Friday, December 20. Mr. Hodson approved the request and Mr. DeVilbiss seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

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

**Mr. Hodson:** None

**Mr. DeVilbiss:** None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting was made by Mr. DeVilbiss; meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Signed by:

Attested by:

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Michael Moyer, President

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Elizabeth Kozarec, Fiscal Officer