

Chairman Chris Hann with the Pledge of Allegiance called the Regular Meeting of the Hamilton Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

Visitors Present: Gwen Young, Marvin Young, Melissa Armstrong, Mary Ann Armstrong,
Robert Kramer

(2023-67) APROVAL OF MINUTES

T. Blackstone made a motion approving the minutes of the Special Meeting held Wednesday, February 22, 2023, and the Regular Meeting held Wednesday, February 22, 2023, as presented by the Fiscal Officer. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Regarding miscellaneous Franklin County Sheriff's Department matters, deputy present at meeting informed the Board that they have had 264 calls for service, 67 in township, 36 traffic stops, and 5 arrests. Citizen reported three motorcycles speeding through the township on Lockbourne Road, Rathmell Road, Reese and Rohr Roads, weekend and evenings. Sheriff's Department to watch for them.

(2023-68) MOTION TO HIRE PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER

After review and introduction of proposed part-time firefighter candidate Leah M. Schultz of 2981 Wendy Lane, Grove City, Ohio 43123, and per the recommendation of Chief Shillingburg, T. Blackstone moved to appoint said person to the position of part-time firefighter with the Hamilton Township Fire Department at a rate of pay of \$20.00 per hour. Appointment made contingent upon the passage of physical and background check. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Regarding miscellaneous Hamilton Township Fire Department matters, Fiscal Officer asked the Board if they intend to pay for recertification fee for firefighters renewing the NREMT card this year. The Board stated that the card is no longer required for employment at the fire department, per the CBA. The answer is no, the township will not pay the fee. Chairman Hann stated that with the fire levy coming up on the ballot the Board would like the community to form a committee in support of the levy. He asked the audience to consider participating in the process.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE

Regarding miscellaneous Hamilton Township Road Maintenance matters, Superintendent Marcum informed the Board of the following; ball field mix cannot be delivered for two more weeks, the fields are too wet; body damage to pickup has been repaired; Rent-A-Johns are installed for the spring; road department applied for OBWC safety grant for a towable boom lift and power post driver; and Marcum requested discussion regarding raises for the road crew. This was tabled until next meeting to allow the fiscal office to research.

SCOTT BELCASTRO – TREBEL

Scott Belcastro discussed the options available to the township for the utility aggregation program at the township. Market has been volatile the past year. He presented the township with the best option for the residents. Letters to go out to households in March. Residents may opt out at any time with no penalty.

(2023-69) MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ELECTRICITY FIXED RATE

T. Blackstone made a motion to accept the electricity fixed rate of \$0.06999 per kWh from June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2025 per kwh from Archer Energy. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2023-70) MOTION TO ACCEPT THE NATURAL GAS FIXED RATE

T. Blackstone made a motion to accept the natural gas fixed rate of \$0.599 per Ccf from May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2025 from Archer Energy. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2023-71) MOTION TO ALLOW TREBEL TO REPRESENT HAMILTON TOWNSHIP

T. Blackstone made a motion to allow Trebel to represent Hamilton Township as its exclusive energy consultant and agent, and grants Trebel exclusive rights to perform such energy-related services. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

Regarding miscellaneous administrative matters, the Board was provided with copies of the following: a letter from the Franklin County Farm Bureau regarding their Policy Development Luncheon on Tuesday, April 4, 2023; an email from the Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District regarding Backyard Conversation – February 2023 and an email from the Ohio Township Association regarding Legislative Alert & Info 3/3/23. Discussion was held regarding charges for CPR Training conducted by the fire department. The Board instructed Chief Shillingburg to gather information regarding what is being charged for these classes and how they are being staffed, and report back to them at the next meeting. Board suggested that he speak with Captain Edwards.

ROBERT KRAMER – CITY OF OBETZ

Mr. Kramer reported back about community concerns regarding rail traffic through populated areas. The Ohio Municipal League is trying to pass legislation on rail safety.

(2023-72) COMMUNITY CENTER REQUESTS

T. Blackstone made a motion allowing the following uses of the Community Center building: Lisa Everts for Saturday, March 18, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for a party. Fee to be \$12.00 per hour; Denise Blevins for Saturday, April 1, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for a baby shower. Fee to be \$12.00 per hour; Todd Blackstone for Sunday, March 19, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for a party. Fee to be waived; and National Lime and Stone for Thursday, March

23, 2023, from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for training. Fee to be waved. G.

Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted.

M/C

Blackstone yea

Armstrong yea

Hann yea

(2023-73) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDERS

T. Blackstone made a motion allowing the following obligations for payment without purchase orders:

Payroll \$ 103,541.92

G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2023-74) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITH PURCHASE ORDERS

T. Blackstone made a motion allowing the following obligations for payment with purchase orders:

Accurate \$ 3,393.91

Adkins, Nicholas 150.49

All-American Fire Equipment 205.50

Beem's BP Distr. Inc. 2,150.12

Bound Tree Medical 1,364.43

Bradley D. Raetzke, MD 1,000.00

Change Healthcare Technology 1,468.14

Charter Communications 288.00

Charter Communications 182.40

Clarion Events 2,888.00

Columbus City Treasurer 1,147.50

Galls, Inc. 427.89

Goss Supply 157.30

HelpNet 263.34

Johns, Richard 120.00

Krieger Ford 1,683.34

Lucas, Trenton 159.95

Obetz Hardware & Builders Supply 49.60

O'Reilly Automotive 48.93

Orkin 92.99

Quality Rubber Stamp 218.90

Rent-A-John 147.00

Shillingburg, Ralph 1,261.81

Staples 2,999.85

SW Firefighting Technologies 2,044.66

The Daily Reporter 25.00

United Propane 2,159.32

Verizon Wireless 647.89

Zoll Medical Corporation 3,165.61

\$ 29,911.87

G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2023-75) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at hand, T. Blackstone made a motion to adjourn at 8:36 p.m. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea

Armstrong yea

Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Arrest: _____
Fiscal Officer