

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 Anderson yea Hann yea

Visitors Present: Gwen Young, Marvin Young, Lisa Everts, Robert Everts, Melissa Armstrong, Gary Armstrong, Mary Ann Armstrong. Andy Borders

(2024-32) APPOINT SECRETARY AS CLERK PRO-TEM

T. Blackstone made a motion appointing Secretary, Penni Triplett, as Clerk Pro-Tem. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

(2024-33) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

T. Blackstone made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Wednesday, January 10, 2024, and the Special Meeting held Thursday, January 18, 2024, as presented by the Fiscal Officer. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Regarding miscellaneous Franklin County Sheriff's Department matters, deputy present at meeting reported that it has been a calm two weeks. There have been several accidents due to the weather. Resident was present at meeting regarding a man standing in his doorway wearing no clothing, he has been seen by several children walking home from school Sheriff's Department is aware and it is being investigated.

(2024-34) MOTION TO APPROVE EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATING COURSE

Chief Rosenberger presented quotes for an Emergency Vehicle Operating course to be held February 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>. After discussion, T. Blackstone made a motion to approve said course at a cost of \$900.00. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

(2024-35) MOTION TO APPROVE NEW CABINETS AND COUNTERS AT STATION 171

Chief Rosenberger informed the Board that they have appliances stored on top of cabinets in the kitchen at Station 171. They would like to put in new cabinets and countertops to create more storage room. He stated that the firefighters would install the cabinets and countertops. T. Blackstone made a motion to purchase cabinets and countertops at a cost of \$2,329.14. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

(2024-36) MOTION TO PROMOTE LIEUTENANT. MANGO TO CAPTAIN

Upon the recommendation of Chief Rosenberger, T. Blackstone made a motion to promote Lieutenant Mango to Captain. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

(2024-37) MOTION TO PROMOTE RIFFLE TO LIEUTENANT

Upon the recommendation of Chief Rosenberger, B. Anderson made a motion to promote Mike Riffle to Lieutenant. C. Hann seconded the move and the vote

(2024-37) MOTION TO PROMOTE RIFFLE TO LIEUTENANT CONTNUED  
Blackstone no Anderson yea Hann yea

(2024-38) MOTION TO TABLE PURCHASE OF CHIEF’S VEHICLE  
Chief Rosenberger presented two quotes for a replacement of the Chief 171 vehicle. After discussion, T. Blackstone made a motion to table the purchase of the Chief 171 vehicle. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C  
Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

(2024-39) MOTION TO RENEW VFIS ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS  
Discussion was held regarding the VFIS renewal. One policy is for career firefighters and one for part-time firefighters. Chief Rosenberger and Assistant Chief Ferrell to be added to the career firefighter policy at no additional charge. T. Blackstone made a motion to renew both policies at a total cost of \$4,532.00. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C  
Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

(2024-40) MOTION TO REMOVE PRINTER FROM INVENTORY  
Chief Rosenberger requested that the old printer from his office be removed from the inventory and the new printer be added. T. Blackstone made a motion to remove the HP Office Jet Pro 8710, Model No: SNPRC-1601-01, from the Hamilton Township Fire Department inventory and add new HP Color Laser Jet Pro, Serial Number: VNBRRBJOZT. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C  
Blackstone yea Anderson yea Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT  
Regarding miscellaneous Hamilton Township Fire Department matters, Chief Rosenberger informed the Board of the following: he was contacted by Lt. Shirkey to look at replacing the overhead door remotes. Kim Compton was at Station, on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Doors and remotes programmed and working fine at Station 171, with a backup/extra remote for Station 171. Station 172 remotes are old and missing parts. Suggests staring with the remote, to see if that fixes our issue. Quote was given on January 23, 2024; two full-time candidates coming on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. for a physical agility test. Had a physical agility test on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, for four potential FF/EMT’s to work part-time; lateral transfers/promotions/new-hire protocol in process of updating. Should be done in the next month or two; M-172 back in service; M-173 brakes need replaced; M-174 to get it ready to be in service around 18,000.00, International and Krieger to take care of it; All-American will be at Station 171, Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. to service E-171 and E-172; Doyle Dameron and Andy will be fixing the main door at Station 172. For panic-bar, trim, and installation at a cost of \$980.00; AT&T bill payment. City of Columbus and Hamilton Township contract agreement. Still waiting on information; Fire Department photos will be taken in their Class “A’s” on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup> for web site update; and heater in bay at Station 171 has a hole in the exhaust tube, nearest east wall. Contacted Accurate Hearing & Cooling for an emergency fix. Work completed and waiting for the billing invoice.  
  
Discussion was held on quotes for turn-out gear, how many coats, pants, suspenders were needed. Every firefighter needs two sets of turn-out gear.

(2024-41) MOTION TO APPROVE TOWNSHIP ROAD MILEAGE

The Board was presented with a letter from the Franklin County Engineer's Office requesting our acceptance of declared Hamilton Township Road Mileage for year 2023. After review, T. Blackstone moved to accept said inventory totaling 15.407 miles of road. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted.

M/C

Blackstone yea

Anderson yea

Hann yea

(2024-42) MOTION TO AWARD SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Road Superintendent Marcum presented three bids for the Hamilton Meadows sidewalk replacement program Phase Eight. Bids were received from Royal Concrete for \$36,905.00, Capital City Concrete for \$28,192.50 and Randy Linton for \$24,163.20. After discussion, T. Blackstone made a motion to accept the bid from Randy Linton for Phase Eight of the sidewalk replacement program for a cost of \$24,163.20. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted.

M/C

Blackstone yea

Anderson yea

Hann yea

(2024-43) SIGNATURE AUTHORITY TO CHAIRMAN HANN

T. Blackstone made a motion granting signature authority to Chairman Hann to sign the quote from Randy Linton for Phase Eight of the sidewalk replacement program on the township's behalf. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted.

M/C

Blackstone yea

Anderson yea

Hann yea

(2024-44) MOTION TO AWARD CONTRACT TO ABLE TREE

Superintendent Marcum informed the Board that he has one tree and a stump at 5012 Astoria Avenue and two trees at 5076 Astoria Avenue in between curb and sidewalk that need to be removed. He has a proposal to remove and haul away three trees and four stumps. Road department would do dirt work and grass seed. Proposals from Bonill Tree Service for \$3,800.00; Eddie's Tree Service for \$3,200.00 and Able Tree for \$3,000.00. T. Blackstone made a motion to award contract to Able Tree for a total cost of \$3,000.00. B. Anderson second the move and the vote resulted.

M/C

Blackstone yea

Anderson yea

Hann yea

(2024-45) MOTION TO ACCEPT AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY ENGINEER TO INSPECT 2024 SIDEWALK PROJECT

T. Blackstone made a motion to accept the agreement with the Franklin County Engineer to inspect the 2024 sidewalk replacement project. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted.

M/C

Blackstone yea

Anderson yea

Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE

Regarding miscellaneous Hamilton Township Road Maintenance matters, Superintendent Marcum informed the Board of the following: Ace Septic cleaned septic tanks and pumped the wash bay tanks; has reached out to Green Velvet for ball mix and the supplier said March for material; township has 140 square foot of sidewalk that has no dwelling tied to it, cost to be \$1,260.00; township has 20 tons of salt still banked at the city. We have not used any from the county; and Cornell Roberts is retiring January 31, 2024. Retirement open house on Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., and update on the new furnace: Franklin Furnace was out Monday and parts have been ordered. To be in on Tuesday.

(2024-46) MOTION TO RESCIND MOTION 2023-320  
T. Blackstone made a motion to rescind motion 2023-320 hiring Walter Naeder as a full-time firefighter. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone    yea                      Anderson    yea                      Hann    yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION  
Regarding miscellaneous administrative matters, the Board was provided with the following: a letter from Franklin County, Board of Commissioners, regarding Prushing Farms Partners, LLC to vacate the ditch known as Stimmel Ditch; a letter from Woda Cooper Companies regarding Juniper Crossing II at 70 Obetz Road; emails from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission regarding LinkUs Transit Supportive Infrastructure (TSI) Update and February TSI Southeast Technical Working Group scheduling and an Agenda announced for 2024 Data Day; and emails from the Ohio Township Association regarding Township News Break and Legislative Alert & Info 1/19/24.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD  
Citizen present at meeting had concerns about students from Buckstone crossing Lockbourne Road to get to school. Will there be crosswalks somewhere near Buckstone for them to use? Trustee stated he thought there was supposed to be crosswalks near the round-about at Lockbourne Road and Rathmell Road.

(2024-47) COMMUNITY CENTER REQUESTS  
T. Blackstone made a motion allowing the following uses of the Community Center building: Sarah Sizemore for Saturday, February 17, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for a birthday party. Fee to be \$25.00 per hour; Chelsea Johnson for Sunday, March 17, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for a baby shower. Fee to be \$25.00 per hour; Teresa Kocher-Bock for Saturday, February 10, 2024, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., for a birthday party. Fee to be \$25.00 per hour; Floyd Mercer for Saturday, December 21, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for a party. Fee to be \$25.00 per hour; and Harold Porter for Saturday, March 9, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., for a birthday party. Fee to be \$25.00 per hour. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone    yea                      Anderson    yea                      Hann    yea

(2024-48) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDERS  
T. Blackstone made a motion allowing the following obligations for payment without purchase orders:

Payroll	\$	96,222.74
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B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted M/C

Blackstone    yea                      Anderson    yea                      Hann    yea

(2024-49) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITH PURCHASE ORDERS  
T. Blackstone made a motion allowing the following obligations for payment with purchase orders:

Ace Septic Tank	\$	460.00
Beem’s BP Distr. Inc.		1,129.38
Best One Tire Service		59.40
Bound Tree Medical		2,257.43
Columbia Gas		252.34
Columbus City Treasurer		1,815.00
Franklin County Sheriff		87,746.43
Franklin Heating & Cooling		95.00
Galls, Inc.		972.09

(2024-49) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITH PURCHASE ORDERS CONTINUED

Goss Supply	\$ 60.00
M.G. Abbott Inc.	285.00
Ohio Public Risk Ins. Agency	4,532.00
Ohio Utilities Protection Services	348.25
Orkin	87.99
Skinner Diesel Service	<u>260.00</u>
	\$ 100,360.31

B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted M/C

Blackstone    yea                      Anderson    yea                      Hann    yea

(2024-50) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at hand, T. Blackstone made a motion to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. B. Anderson seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone    yea                      Anderson    yea                      Hann    yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fiscal Officer