

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

(2022-367) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

T. Blackstone made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Wednesday, November 23, 2022, 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 not in attendance, Trustee Blackstone reported 184 calls for service, 49 Columbus, and 4 citations/arrests. Resident complaint regarding auto accident on Belford on September 8, 2022, involving his daughter. The deputy who responded to the accident told the resident that the county was instructed to only respond to tier one calls. The Board was unable to contact the officers on duty to address the issue due to the officers responding to a serious car accident at the time. Trustees instructed the resident that they would get answers and contact him personally, he is also welcomed to attend the next meeting to discuss in person with the deputy.

(2022-368) MOTION TO ACCEPT INVENTORY – HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE

The Board was provided with copies of the Road Department's inventory and after review, T. Blackstone made a motion to accept said inventory. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-369) MOTION TO TABLE PURCHASE OF DUMP TRUCK

Bids were presented to purchase a 2023 Ford 550 dump truck. T. Blackstone made a motion to table the purchase of the dump truck until the next meeting. This gives the Board time to review all bids. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE

Regarding miscellaneous Hamilton Township Road Maintenance matters, documentation reviewed for proposed sanitary sewer extension along South High Street in Shadeville, The Board was presented with Phase 7 sidewalk proposal. Fiscal Officer to add additional \$11,000 to the 2023 budget to replace additional sections as requested.

(2022-370) MOTION TO APPROVE DELTA DENTAL AGREEMENT FOR 2023

T. Blackstone made a motion to approve Delta Dental agreement for 2023 coverage, and to allow Chairman Hann to sign in the township's behalf. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea

Armstrong yea

Hann yea

(2022-371) MOTION TO APPROVE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE AND COMMUNITY CENTER INVENTORY

T. Blackstone made a motion to approve the Administration Office and the Community Center inventory as presented. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-372) MOTION TO APPROVE ATTORNEY FEES AND RATES FOR 2023 CALENDAR YEAR

T. Blackstone made a motion to approve the contract rates with Brosius, Johnson & Griggs for legal representation in 2023, capping the contract at \$150,000.00. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-373) MOTION TO ATTEND 2023 OTA WINTER CONFERENCE

T. Blackstone made a motion to allow Lisa Shirkey and Penni Triplett to attend the 2023 OTA Winter Conference on January 25-27, 2023. 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 United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Ohio, regarding Volunteer Energy; and an email from the Ohio Township Association regarding Legislative Alert & Info 12/09/2022.

(2022-374) MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER TYLER VORHEES

Chief Shillingburg presented to the Board a letter from full-time firefighter Tyler Vorhees in which he declares his intent to resign from the department. T. Blackstone therefore moved to accept said resignation with a letter of thanks for his service to be compiled and sent to Mr. Vorhees. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-375) MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER NICHOLAS WILLEKE

Chief Shillingburg presented to the Board a letter from full-time firefighter Nicholas Willeke in which he states his intent to resign from the department. T. Blackstone therefore moved to accept said resignation with a letter of thanks for his service to be compiled and sent to Mr. Willeke. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-376) MOTION TO ACCEPT INVENTORY – HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

T. Blackstone made a motion to approve the Fire Department inventory as presented. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea

Armstrong yea

Hann yea

Clarke Mosquito Management Inc.	1,195.46
Columbia Gas	230.22
Columbus City Treasurer	1,402.50
Delille Oxygen Company	69.23
Duke's Garage	4,513.29

(2022-381) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITH PURCHASE ORDERS CONTINUED

EJ USA, Inc.	\$ 293.54
Fire-Catt	3,512.50
Goss Supply	191.62
HelpNet	534.66
Johnson, Scott Sr.	32.00
Ke Wa Pa Sales, Inc.	235.09
Kimmel Corp	775.00
Loew's Business Account	985.28
Magnegrip	967.00
Obetz Hardware & Builders Supply	86.31
Office Depot	542.40
Ohio Fire & Safety Company	1,056.50
OhioHealth/WorkHealth	979.00
Rent-A-John	147.00
Rusty's Towing Service	901.00
Sam's Club	75.25
Sharps Compliance, Inc.	328.42
Shillingburg, Ralph	1,001.64
State Chemical Solutions	88.20
Stryker Sales Corporation	3,881.98
Turnouts, LLC	400.00
Ultra-Prints	15.00
United Propane	3,273.76
Verizon Wireless	<u>648.21</u>
	\$ 49,677.56

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

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-382) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at hand, T. Blackstone made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Attest: _____
Fiscal Officer

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: Mary Ann Armstrong, Gwen Young, Marvin Young, Melissa Armstrong,
David Glass

(2022-384) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

T. Blackstone made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 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 245 calls for service, 183 Township, 56 Columbus, 7 arrests, and 2 breaking and entering.

(2022-385) MOTION TO HIRE FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTERS

Chief Shillingburg distributed applications to the Board for two full-time firefighters. After introduction and per the recommendation of Chief Shillingburg, T. Blackstone moved to hire Tyler A. Baer of 1420 Londondale Parkway, Apt. 133-A, Newark, Ohio 43055 and Joshua D. Mullett of 1702 Martinsburg Road, Utica, Ohio 43080, as full-time firefighters with the Hamilton Township Fire Department pending successful passage of required physical examination and mental assessments. Firefighters to receive wages and benefits as outlined to contract with Local 3344. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-386) MOTIN TO REMOVE OLD GEAR FROM INVENTORY

T. Blackstone made a motion to remove old gear from inventory and dispose of it. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-387) MOTION TO REMOVE DAMAGED SECTIONS OF HOSE FROM INVENTORY

T. Blackstone made a motion to remove damaged sections of 3" and 5" water hose from inventory and dispose of it. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-388) MOTION TO APPROVE CLASS ATTENDANCE – MATTHEW CANTRELL

Chief Shillingburg presented to the Board a letter received from full-time firefighter Matthew Cantrell in which he requests permission to attend the Underground Storage Tank Installer class on March 6-10, 2023 at a cost of \$100.00 and the Underground Tank Inspector class on March 27-30, 2023 at a cost of \$100.00. Per the recommendation of Chief Shillingburg, T. Blackstone moved to approve said courses with tuition to be paid from the township treasury. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea

Armstrong yea

Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

At this point Chairman Hann addressed several firefighters who had entered the meeting area. Discussion was held regarding firefighter Nicholas Willeke being required to reimburse the township for his pension physical because he did not complete his one-year probationary period, per the union contract. Discussion was held regarding Mr. Willeke still remaining part-time with the township and whether a new physical would be required before he could begin working part-time. In question was whether Willeke has now purchased the physical, will take it from his file and needs another physical to work part-time for the department. Chairman Hann told Willeke he would get back with him regarding this issue.

(2022-389) MOTION TO HIRE NICHOLAS WILLEKE AS PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER

T. Blackstone made a motion to re-hire Nicholas Willeke as a part-time firefighter. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong no Hann yea

(2022-390) MOTION TO REQUIRE WILLEKE TO REIMBURSE THE TOWNSHIP

T. Blackstone made a motion to require Nicholas Willeke to reimburse Hamilton Township \$982.00 for his physical. Fiscal Officer is instructed to deduct this amount from his last paycheck, pay date January 6, 2023. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-391) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS UNDER THE TOWNSHIP'S STANDARD ALLOWANCE

WHEREAS, the United States Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, effective March 11, 2021 (“ARPA” or the “Act”).

WHEREAS, the Act created the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (“CLFRF”) which, among other things, appropriated money to cities, nonentitlement units of local government, and counties to mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (“COVID-19”).

WHEREAS, Hamilton Township (the “Township”) has received a distribution of funds (“ARPA Funds”) through the CLFRF.

WHEREAS, the Final Rule adopted by the Department of Treasury provides that participants may use ARPA Funds for the provision of government services up to the amount of the experienced revenue loss, whether that be the standard allowance amount or the amount calculated using the formula set forth in the Rule.

WHEREAS, government services generally include any service traditionally provided by a government, unless Treasury has stated otherwise. The Rule and other guidance provides that “government services” expressly recognized by Treasury include, but are not limited to, (a) road building and maintenance, and other infrastructure; (b) health services; (c) general government administration, staff, and administrative facilities; (d) environmental remediation; (e) provision of police, fire, and other public safety services (including purchase of fire trucks and police vehicles); (f) maintenance or pay-go funded building infrastructure; and (g) modernization of cybersecurity, including hardware, software, and protection of critical infrastructure.

WHEREAS, the Township, by virtue of Resolution No. 2022-101, has elected to take the “standard allowance”, and presume that up to \$10 million, but not to exceed the Township’s award, in revenue has been lost due to the public emergency, for the provision of government services.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) has identified a project or expenditure which, in the judgment of the Board, qualifies as a permitted use of the ARPA Funds, in direct support of the provision of governmental services, which consists of the following:

for the purchase of a Ford F-550 single axle dump truck at a cost of \$105,130.00

(the “Expenditure”).

(2022-391) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS UNDER THE TOWNSHIP'S STANDARD ALLOWANCE CONTINUED

WHEREAS, the Board believes that it is in the best interest of the Township and its residents to approve the Expenditure and authorize the use of a portion of ARPA funds for the Expenditure.

NOW THEREFORE, by the Board of Trustees of Hamilton Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that:

RESOLVED, the Township elected to use the standard allowance by way of Resolution 2022-101 and its presumption of revenue loss due to the public health emergency and to use the amount authorized herein to fund the provision of government services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board believes, in exercising its reasonable judgment, that the Expenditure meets the criteria in ARPA and the Final Rule, and is a permissible expenditure of ARPA Funds for the provision of government services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Expenditure is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA Funds in the amount of/an amount not to exceed: \$105,130.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, no obligations paid under the authority of this Resolution were incurred prior to March 3, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

T. Blackstone made a motion approving said Resolution. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-392) MOTION TO ACCEPT BIDS FROM ACE & KRIEGER FORD

Superintendent Marcum presented bids for a new small dump truck. The bids included everything needed on the truck except under coating. Josh to provide estimates for that as soon as they can be obtained. T. Blackstone made a motion to accept the bids from Ace and Krieger Ford for a 2023 Ford F-550 single axle dump truck at a cost of \$105,130.00. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-393) SIGNATURE AUTHORITY TO CHIRMAN HANN

T. Blackstone made a motion to authorize Chairman Hann to enter into the sales agreement in the Township's behalf. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE

Regarding miscellaneous Hamilton Township Road Maintenance matters, Road Superintendent Marcum informed the Board of the following: he is in contact with Barb Cox at Franklin County to research applying for a grant to pave Premier Drive in Hamilton meadows. He will report status back to the Board when available;

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE CONTINUED

Salt usage to date – 49 tons used, 49 tons from Franklin County plus 7 tons of the salt from the City of Columbus. Totaling 56 tons for the year; back driveway at the park is closed for the winter; estimate received for sidewalk replacement phase 7. Getting the required three bids together before the next meeting; and the handicap doors are installed in front and functioning.

(2022-394) MOTION TO SET ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

T. Blackstone made a motion to set the 2023 Organizational Meeting for Sunday, January 1, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-395) MOTION TO PURCHASE NEW BADGES

T. Blackstone made a motion to purchase new badges for the Hamilton Township Fire Department at a cost of \$4,040.00 from Badge & Wallet. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-396) MOTION TO ACCEPT THE 2023 HAMILTON TOWNSHIP OPERATING BUDGET

The Board and Fiscal Officer reviewed the 2023 operating budget. No changes were required. Total expenditures FY2023 of \$10,826,000.00. T. Blackstone made a motion to accept the 2023 Hamilton Township operating budget as presented. 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 presented with copies of the following: an email from Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District regarding Backyard Conversation – December 2022; an email from the Franklin County Township Association regarding their Annual Meeting on January 19, 2023; an email from Franklin County Public Health regarding Jurisdictional Update; an email from the Ohio Department of Transportation, District Six, regarding upcoming 270/23/Rathmell Road Southside Interchange Improvement; and an email from the Ohio Township Association regarding Legislative Alert & Info 12/22/2022.

(2022-397) COMMUNITY CENTER REQUESTS

T. Blackstone made a motion allowing the following uses of the Community Center building: LaShae Bowe for Saturday, January 7, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., for a softball party/banquet. Fee to be \$12.00 per hour; and Jennifer Workman for Saturday, January 21, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., for a baby shower. Fee to be \$12.00 per hour. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-398) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDERS

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

Payroll	\$ 94,722.63
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(2022-398) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDERS

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

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-399) OBLIGATIONS FOR PAYMENT WITH PURCHASE ORDERS

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

Atlantic Emergency Solutions	\$	3,113.98
Beem's BP Distr. Inc.		2,376.75
Best One Tire Service		594.80
Bound Tree Medical		2,514.29
CED Columbus		67.00
Charter Communications		226.44
Compton Overhead Doors		279.00
Delille Oxygen Company		157.40
Franklin County Sheriff		83,699.59
Goss Supply		255.84
Hastings Air-Energy Control, Inc.		713.00
Krieger Ford		5,530.09
M.G. Abbott Inc.		660.74
Miles, Jamie		1,375.00
Orkin		168.00
Sharps Compliance, Inc.		583.81
Telefax		558.87
Trish's Stitches		849.86
Verizon Wireless		21.12
Zoll Medical Corporation		<u>1,596.00</u>
	\$	105,341.58

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

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-400) ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 8:45 p.m., T. Blackstone made a motion to adjourn into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(4) for reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted.

M/C

Blackstone yea Armstrong yea Hann yea

(2022-401) ADJOURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 9:45 p.m., T. Blackstone made a motion to adjourn from executive session with no action taken. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea

Armstrong yea

Hann yea

(2022-402) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at hand, T. Blackstone made a motion to adjourn at 9:50 p.m. G. Armstrong seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Blackstone yea

Armstrong yea

Hann yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Attest: _____
Fiscal Officer

Chairman Chris Hann called the December 28th Records Commission Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., with Mr. Hann and Lisa Shirkey, Fiscal Officer.

There were no visitors in attendance.

No records scheduled for disposal at this time.

(2022-383) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at hand, C. Hann made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. L. Shirkey seconded the move and the vote resulted. M/C

Hann yea

Shirkey yea

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chris Hann, Chairman

Lisa Shirkey, Fiscal Officer