## Record of Proceedings Liberty Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting

On September 11, 2018 the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of Liberty Township, Union County, Ohio convened for a special meeting at 7:00 pm in the LIBERTY TOWNSHIP MEETING ROOM.

Chair Karen Johnson called the meeting to order. Fiscal Officer Jeff Rea led in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence was observed in remembrance of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks and the people in the path of a potentially deadly hurricane. The following members and guest were present:

MEMBERS: Jack McCoy-present, Karen Johnson-present, Jerry McClary-present, Jeff Reapresent.

EMPLOYEES: Lloyd Segner, Dave Thomas, Chad Heminger, Walt Hamilton

**VISITORS**: Taylor Township Trustees: Beth Marshall, Bob Kroshevsky, and Denny Schertzer, Fiscal Officer Tina Marshall, and York Township Trustees: Logan Rife, Bruce Davis, and Judy Christian.

## BUSINESS

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to discuss the future of the Liberty Township Fire Department and the partnership with Taylor and YorkTownships. Fire Chief Lloyd Segner welcomed everyone to the meeting and turned the meeting over to Dave Thomas to explain the packets that outlined the past and future financial needs of the Fire Department. Dave reviewed the budget from the past, where there have been some cost savings, and some of the challenges that continually face the department. Dave then offered a proposal to the Townships that the amount that they contract to pay remain the same for the 2019 operating year in an effort not to strain the financial resources of the other Townships and give more time to decide the future of the department as a result of the ongoing feasibility study. He also proposed a long term development plan that includes teams made up of Trustees, Fire Department representatives, and Fiscal Officers that each help to drive the future of the fire department with cooperation from all parties involved. Discussion began about the challenges facing the department mainly involving funding and staffing. Dave also proposed holding meetings similar to this one quarterly rather than annually to keep the conversation going on organization and giving everyone more timely financial information. The meetings will be advertised as special meetings with the purpose of discussing Fire Department issues and will be advertised in the Marysville Journal Tribune as well as the Liberty Township website. He then presented a schedule to help and gather all information to complete a new, year contract with Taylor Township and set the teams up to work on the goals outlined in the packet.

Fiscal Officer Tina Marshall asked for the actual expenses for the years 2015-2017 as information for their regular meeting on Tuesday September18, 2018. Jack McCoy made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Karen Johnson-aye.

Minutes have been approved and signed

Karen Johnson-Chair

Jeff Rea-Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, OHIO concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.