

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

March 18, 2015

Mr. Weber called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. with Mr. Weber, Mr. Duvelius and Mr. Wallace present.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 5:07 p.m. for Fire Chief Interviews.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Weber seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Weber stated the Executive Session was for Fire Chief Interviews and opened the regular portion of the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all in attendance.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to adopt the proposed agenda for the March 18, 2015 meeting.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to dispense with the public reading of the minutes and approve as written for the March 4, 2015 meeting.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to pay the bills before the Board for checks numbered 74456 through 74492 with checks 74455 and 74452 were voided.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to pay the withholding checks for checks numbered 74439 through 74454 and payroll direct deposit vouchers numbered 2015-413 through 2015-490.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Ms. Vickie Candill, Community Concepts, was present as the State of Ohio has chosen March to be Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month each year. Ms. Candill stated Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month focuses on peoples' abilities and similarities rather than differences, and encourages everyone to welcome people with

developmental disabilities into their communities. People with developmental disabilities are friends, neighbors, co-workers, volunteers, teammates, and classmates. This March, Community Concepts encourages everyone to get to know someone with a disability and discover just what he or she Can Do, Like You! Recognize abilities and see that everyone has something to offer. Mr. Weber read Resolution #15-0318, A Resolution proclaiming March 2015 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month within Hamilton Township.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to approve Resolution #15-0318.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Ray Warrick, Fiscal Officer, was present and apologized to everyone for making them show up again although he is glad they are in attendance and wished they would come to every meeting. Mr. Warrick asked to have the whole issue of the Fire Department Privatization be put on the agenda and received a few phone calls about it and noted the decision about the subject has been made at the last meeting. The Trustees have decided they do not want to go that direction. Mr. Warrick put the discussion on the agenda because he wanted some things to be put on the record. Mr. Warrick met the two (2) top candidates for Fire Chief and stated they are both great candidates, either one would be an asset to the Fire Department and to the Township. The Trustees will make a decision soon and see about making a proposal to one of them. There is considerable work left to do. Outstanding issues with the Fire Department and probably more importantly as it relates to the overall financial status of the Township and what we have to do to meet all our obligations going forward.

Mr. Warrick wanted to discuss what had happened at the last meeting. He had investigated the privatizing of the Fire Department. The Trustees knew he was doing that and stated we were looking at all options as we should do for the tax payers of this Township. Mr. Warrick had gotten to a point where a proposal was given from Loveland/Symmes Fire Department and what they would do numbers wise if they ran the fire service in Hamilton Township. Those numbers were compelling enough for him to go to the Trustees and tell them he believed they need to schedule a special session and invite everyone to look over the proposal and see what everyone thought about it. He was the person at that time that said the Township must tell the Fire Department about this, this is not a trick, and this is not a secret. Mr. Warrick was asked to make a presentation of the numbers and then a special hearing session would be considered to go over them. It was his understanding after he met individually with the Trustees, that he would make the presentation of the numbers in that proposal and suggest a date for a special meeting. Mr. Warrick stated he did not have a problem with the decision about not privatizing the department, but he had a huge problem with not taking the time to look at all the things associated with it, not just the numbers, but to hear from everybody. He wanted to hear not just from the stakeholders, the Fire Department obviously has to be here, they have a lot at stake. This would be a big change for personnel and they should be a part of it, but there are citizen tax payers that should also be a part of it as well. Mr. Warrick stated what the Trustees did last week shut them out and he not in agreement with how it went down. Mr. Warrick doesn't believe after looking at all the numbers and situations whether citizens would be for privatizing the Fire Department. That is not his issue; this decision is not up to him. It is up to him as Fiscal Officer to look at finances of this Township and do what is right and to put the numbers on the table so to speak and let everybody way-in and look at it. That is what Mr. Warrick wanted to get done and it did not happen.

Mr. Warrick continued on to discuss the numbers. A proposal was received from Loveland/Symmes and it showed that according to them, they could operate our Fire

Department which would come in to be a \$1 million savings over five (5) years. At first glance it was incumbent upon us to check those numbers out. The numbers from the first comparison came from the five (5) year plan the Township was required to do as a condition of our Fiscal Emergency. Management of the Township put together that plan. Those are the numbers Mr. Warrick used. Could there be different numbers or better numbers? He said there could be, but the fact is those numbers were approved by the Trustees in 2014 and those were the numbers turned over to the State Oversight Committee as required as a condition of Fiscal Emergency. Mr. Warrick felt those were the numbers that should have been used to make a decision. In a mad rush just before the last meeting, numbers were altered, no discussion with him, just altered. He then questioned whether those numbers better than the ones that were in the five (5) year plan. He stated the Township has a history of not knowing their numbers and acting on things using faulty financial information. That's why we are in the Fiscal Emergency. Since the last meeting there has been other number crunching and Mr. Warrick was asked if he had different numbers to present tonight. Mr. Warrick stated he did not. The Township management and the Trustees are now saying that they think the Township can operate the fire service for less money than was in the proposal from Loveland/Symmes. Does Mr. Warrick believe they can do that? He thinks they probably have a shot at that, but will they do that and will that be the outcome of this decision? That's what he is very concerned about. His only job is to look after the finances and by God he is going to do it. He said he would take the interim position and he will see it through because he promised he would. Maybe you don't want him to do that anymore, but that's what he is going to do. It's not your money, it's not his money, it's the tax payer's money and that's what we are supposed to do. There are a lot of items to look at with respect to what finally is going to be the budget to run the Fire Department. There are other issues with who will be the next Fire Chief and what other changes have to be made in the department. There are big things there and he would only ask as management gets into that and the new Fire Chief comes aboard, the Fire Department cooperates and gives their input and helps us get to a better place with our Fire Department in the Township. Mr. Warrick hopes they agree to that. All of this will be much better this time next year no matter what happens, a new Fire Chief, new plans, and new progress. Shortly the report from the Management Partners, a consulting company that was hired to look at the Fire Department, will be out and will be put it on the website and copies can be obtained. That will also be, from a third party standpoint, a discussion of the issues within the Fire Department. Some of planning that should be done within our Fire Department in regards to better facilities, better geographic location and all of those things that should be addressed in the best interest of the citizens. Mr. Warrick hopes that this is taken in the spirit that it is intended and personnel cooperates with management and the Trustees as they try to put these things together.

The other thing is to have this whole situation go down without listening to some of the citizens. It may be a moot point at this point because a decision was made and the Trustees didn't allow for a special meeting where citizens could have had their say. He doesn't think it is fair not to listen to them. Mr. Warrick didn't know if the Trustees wanted to listen to them this evening or what they wanted to do, but don't forget the people that actually pay the bills for all of these services that we are trying to provide. Mr. Warrick apologized once again for putting it on the agenda and dragging everyone out tonight, but does appreciate them being here and at least it's not snowing.

Mr. Weber thanked Mr. Warrick for his presentation. Mr. Weber stated as far as the five (5) year plan goes that was something that was established before the end of the 2014 year. Like Mr. Warrick said, 2014 in many ways was the first year the Township had real numbers. The 2014 Actual Expenses for salaries and benefits was not obtained until after December 31, 2014 which was after the five (5) year plan has already been put in place. Mr. Weber stated he doesn't disagree with looking at the five (5) year plan like Mr. Warrick stated, but when a contract proposal with Loveland/Symmes is looking at salaries and benefits it is his feeling that actual expenses should be viewed and that

couldn't be done at the time of the five (5) year plan. Also, Mr. Weber does take exception to the last ditch attempt comment made by Mr. Warrick because the thing he didn't point out at the last meeting was he did bring up the same issue to look at actual expenses instead of appropriations two (2) weeks prior to Mr. Warrick and Mr. Boeres. Mr. Weber stated that Mr. Warrick could have disagreed at that time as well and that's fine, but he wanted to point it out. Mr. Weber wanted to see what the numbers were before going forward. It wasn't a last ditch attempt, the comment was made two (2) weeks prior. Appropriations are set and when they were set, everyone was going by the best numbers they had at the time and unfortunately the actual 2014 numbers were not available and now thankfully we have them. Mr. Weber stated he appreciated Mr. Rusty Holman, Volunteer Financial Analyst, putting together some numbers. After looking at actual salaries and benefits of the Township Fire Department versus the contract proposal with Loveland/Symmes, it is more cost effective to keep our current Fire Department. As far as having a public hearing, he understands what Mr. Warrick stated, he makes a good point. Maybe they should have let some of the folks speak. Mr. Weber stated that it was Mr. Warrick's suggestion that the Trustees have a public hearing and in Mr. Weber's opinion he felt that if the numbers don't work there is no sense in going forward with it.

Mr. Wallace had nothing to say.

Mr. Warrick stated he agreed and understands everything Mr. Weber said, but because of the situation with the numbers that is the exact reason a hearing should have been set. He is still working and looking at numbers.

Mr. Duvelius stated when Mr. Warrick showed him some numbers, they were the contractual numbers and he stated the Township numbers were not worked out. Mr. Duvelius asked Mr. Warrick to work out the Township numbers and Mr. Warrick asked to speak to a few people first and he had no problem with that. Then the cart was put before the horse and now we are having a contract number when Mr. Duvelius did not have the numbers he asked for. With that being said, Mr. Duvelius stated he would like a tax refund on his tax money that they paid Hamilton Township, since Mr. Warrick stated their tax money doesn't count. He takes offense to that; Mr. Warrick stated it wasn't our money, but our money is in the same pot as the rest of the Township and the Board pays taxes for the same services as the rest of the Township. Mr. Duvelius stated two (2) potential Fire Chief candidates were interviewed tonight and the numbers that were crunched are so close he thinks the challenge of the new Fire Chief is to bring all this under budget, under control and provide the best service for the best community around. It was done with the Police Department with Chief Wheeler; we can do it again with a new Fire Chief. A public meeting is fine if the numbers were presented, the numbers were not presented by Mr. Warrick. Mr. Warrick stated he sent Mr. Duvelius the spreadsheet; he got the same spreadsheet everyone else got. Mr. Duvelius stated he did not send him the numbers that he asked for in a timely manner before this was put together. Mr. Warrick stated that is not true. Mr. Duvelius stated he had no confidence in Mr. Warrick's abilities at this point to continue doing his job.

Mr. Weber called for order and asked everyone to please be respectful as they talk.

Mr. Duvelius stated he is not in favor of a public hearing at this point, we are deciding on a Fire Chief in the next few days.

Mr. Wallace stated he did appreciate the numbers and is confused as to the versions, because apparently Mr. Duvelius and he heard things differently as far as what guidance was given. As was said, a decision was made last week and two (2) great Fire Chief Candidates were interviewed and he is looking forward to hiring a new Chief right now.

Mr. Weber stated likewise.

Mr. Craig Creighton, 6604 Thistle Grove, thanked Mr. Warrick for his numbers and working on them. Mr. Creighton was curious as to why two (2) weeks ago the elected officials voted to put the issue to rest, what is the personal agenda Mr. Warrick is upset over. Mr. Creighton said it sounds like Mr. Warrick is asking the board to go back on their decision. Mr. Warrick noted that is not what he is saying. An audience member asked for Mr. Creighton to ask his question. Mr. Weber asked Mr. Creighton to finish. Mr. Creighton asked if this subject was done or if everyone would be coming back every two (2) weeks. Mr. Weber stated the Fiscal Officer wanted to address it and he has the right to re-address it. The Board voted and Mr. Warrick was not anticipating a vote last week and wanted to follow up and address it. It is clear from the Board that they want to move forward and hire a Fire Chief. Mr. Creighton asked if this was put to rest. Mr. Weber stated they are moving forward, Mr. Duvelius agreed and Mr. Wallace stated it was put to bed last week.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to adjourn for a five (5) minute recess at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to return to the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Ms. Michelle Tegtmeier, Community Development Coordinator, was present with a Site Plan Review for H & T Services, LLC. Ms. Tegtmeier stated the proposed location is 6001 Enterprise Drive off of Grandin Road and is zoned M-1 PUD Light Industry. Ms. Tegtmeier reviewed the lot setbacks that have been met and noted there is a preservation easement that is larger than required which is a benefit to the neighborhood behind the building. The landscaping does not meet the code at this point; the requirement is one (1) tree per 1,000 square feet of building and one (1) tree for every 40 foot plus 3 foot hedge. The only thing missing is five (5) trees and staff has asked them to continue the landscaping on one side which was not an issue per the applicant Mr. Joe Geraci. The parking spaces do fall short showing only nine (9) spaces of the required 25 spaces. A separate application will be done for the signage. Staff recommends approval of the Site Plan with the following recommendations:

1. The parking will be added to meet code, due to the cost, eight (8) spaces will be added now and eight (8) within the next 12 months.
2. The addition of five (5) trees and continuing the required three (3) foot high landscaping along the south side of the parking area needs to be installed with the proposed landscaping.
3. A photometric plan, appropriate pole, fixture and lamp cut sheets and description of the lenses and appropriate data tables still need to be submitted.

Mr. Weber asked when the business would like to start construction. Ms. Tegtmeier stated within the next one (1) to two (2) weeks. Mr. Weber asked if the applicant was ok with the recommendations. Ms. Tegtmeier stated Mr. Geraci was concerned with the parking, but understands it is code and has no problem with complying.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to approve Resolution #15-0318C, A Resolution approving the site plan review by Geraci & Co., Inc. on behalf of H & T Services LLC, for the property located at 6001 Enterprise Drive, Hamilton Township, Warren County, Ohio 45039. H & T Services is proposing the construction of an office for a landscape company permitted under the M-1 Light Industry Zone. Approve with the conditions/ recommendations as presented by staff.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Gary Boeres, Administrator, stated a reality TV show has come into the community. He has asked Chief Wheeler to discuss the precautions the Police Department is taking in order to address that. Chief Jon Wheeler, Hamilton Township Police Department, stated he wanted to let the board know the department has been in touch with the HOA President and has sat down and spoken with him extensively. Also there have been conversations with some of the residents of the neighborhood who had called with concerns. As a result of that, the department will be providing some extra patrol in that subdivision for the foreseeable future, but particularly around the time the show airs. The first week will have most of the focus. Chief Wheeler did not want it to become a nuisance to the residents; it's just to show some extra police presence. The goal is to make sure the residents feel safe and the Township discourages anyone who might be drawn to the area to gawk or to find out what is going on in the neighborhood that don't necessarily belong there. Chief wanted to keep good communication open with the residents and make sure all their needs are met. That is the plan now and he will evaluate week by week to see what attention the show has brought to the area. He wanted the entire Township to know the department will continue doing their jobs and will focus more attention where needed.

Mr. Weber thanked Mr. Wallace for being proactive in reaching out to 'Citizens with Community Values' and 'One Million Moms'. Personally Mr. Weber boycotts the show. Mr. Duvelius agreed and thanked Mr. Wallace.

Mr. Gary Boeres stated Snappy Tomato Pizza is having their Grand Opening this Saturday, March 21st at 12:00 p.m. and asked the trustees to approve a proclamation.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to approve Resolution #15-0318B, A Resolution proclaiming March 21, 2015 as 'Snappy Tomato Pizza Day' within Hamilton Township, Warren County, Ohio.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Boeres noted a check was written to the IAFF Union and the check has been misplaced by their representative. Mr. Boeres asked for a stop payment order for this check and to re-issue the check for the same amount.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Weber seconded the motion to issue a stop payment order for a check written to IAFF Union.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Boeres stated Ladder 77 has a blown head gasket. Mr. Kenny Hickey, Maintenance Supervisor, was asked to confirm if this was caused by user error or typical maintenance. It was confirmed that it is something that typically happens on these units and not driven by any way the operator uses the equipment. It occurs after so many miles. The amount of the request is \$8,000.00 and another \$250.00 for towing.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the purchase request in the amount of \$8,000.00 for repair of the blown head gasket to Ladder 77 for the Fire Department.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Boeres stated Management Partners is performing a fire organizational review of the Hamilton Township Fire Department. The Trustees approved that study at a meeting in 2014. The purchase order was closed at the end of 2014 and not re-opened. An invoice was received and a Then and Now has to be done in order to pay the bill.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve a Then and Now Certificate in the amount of \$8,000.00 for Management Partners.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Boeres noted since the last meeting, Cincinnati United Soccer Club has issued a check to the township in the amount of \$100,000.00. Those funds are to be used for the construction of the Marr Park Parking Lot. In order to set up a blanket certificate so that the funds can be used for the supplies and materials for the project an Amendment to the Appropriations has to be done through Resolution #15-0318A. This Resolution would authorize the Finance Coordinator to Amend Permanent Appropriations in General Fund Account Code 1000-110-400-0111 for an increase of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of constructing a parking lot at Marr Park. Mr. Weber clarified the 2015 Permanent Appropriations.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve Resolution #15-0318A, A Resolution authorizing the amendment of the 2015 Permanent Appropriations.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Boeres received a request from the Fire Department for \$5,400.00 towards a Technical Rescue class for two (2) Firefighters. The request is over \$5,000.00 and had to come before the board. The funds are there for the training. Mr. Weber clarified the monies were available. Mr. Boeres stated yes. Mr. Wallace asked the status of the two (2) individuals going. Mr. Boeres stated they are both full time employees. Mr. Wallace asked where the training was being held. Mr. Boeres stated Bowling Green.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the request for \$5,400.00 for training for the Fire Department.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Boeres prompted discussion about the Park Advisory Committee By-Laws and adopting those. Mr. Wallace asked if Mr. Boeres received any feedback. Mr. Boeres stated he received nothing back.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to amend the Hamilton Township Park Advisory Committee By-Laws.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Boeres stated three (3) baseball organization has discussed the portable restrooms within Testerman Park. Last year the Township paid for the restrooms because that was typical practice, but notified the organizations that was the last year we would fund the restrooms. The sport organizations have voiced their concern to Mr. Boeres about younger children and elderly having to hike to the front of the park for the restroom facility. Mr. Ken Floss had proposed the Board consider paying for four (4) portable restrooms from April to June. Mr. Boeres stated if approved, the funding is not available in the General Fund, but monies could be moved from the carry over for this line item. After some discussion the Board agreed for the need of the restrooms.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to pay for four (4) portable restrooms at Testerman Park from April through June for a not to exceed of \$750.00.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes

Mr. Boeres stated at the last meeting Mr. Ritchie had discussed Tax Increment Financing (TIF) for Peters Cartridge Factory. Mr. Boeres sent the board a copy of some language drafted by the Peters Cartridge Factory attorney. The gentleman in charge of the project visited Mr. Boeres today and stated he had spoken with the State about his application and the wording does not work for the State because it does not list a specific amount. Their representative requested the letter be redrafted to state 75% of the TIF funds would go back into public infrastructure for the project and 25% would go back to the school district. The estimated revenue of the portion the school doesn't get is \$2 million. They are asking for this money to go towards the project for 10 years. If there is a circumstance where the Township is being asked to go into debt, a service agreement should be prepared, but this is going through the Port Authority not the Township. At this point the Trustees are not being asked to approve any bond or any funding for the project, just looking to commit the TIF dollars from the project back into the public infrastructure so the application can be submitted to the state. Mr. Wallace asked if the Township had any liability. Mr. Boeres stated the Township is not entering into any agreement at this point. The Township is just agreeing through a letter of intent to commit TIF into the project for public improvements. Mr. Warren Ritchie, Law Director, spoke about the debt issue that was raised. Mr. Ritchie also noted the Township has to be very careful to not guarantee a \$2 million loan to build the infrastructure with the expectancy of paying back that loan with \$200,000.00 per year. This is done through the Port Authority and the Developer. The commitment the Township is making is to put the money back towards public

improvements. Mr. Ritchie stated the Township should say it is committed to the project and the money will be used for public improvements and all available TIF funds from that project will be committed to that project. This is not binding, but gives the developer the points needed for his application.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to authorize the Township Administrator to draft a letter stating the Township is committed to the project and the money will be used for public improvements and all available TIF funds from that project outside what is due the school district will be committed to that project.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Boeres asked the Board if they would like to continue with the first meeting of April being on April 1, 2015 or make it the following week. The Trustees agreed to keep the regular meeting date.

Mr. Rusty Holman, Volunteer Financial Analyst, stated he was asked by Mr. Warrick to review some numbers for the Trustees. Mr. Holman reviewed the Appropriation Fund Revenue Status Report. At the two (2) month mark the Township is 16.6% through the year, the Township has received 4.4% of the annual revenue budgeted, and the Township has spent 12.5% of the appropriations. The Township is running under budget in revenue and expenditures. Mr. Holman stated for comparison, at the end of February 2015 the total cash balance was \$7,635,783.00. At this time in 2014 the bank statement showed \$6,254,303.00. Through attention to budgets, the Township has preserved \$1.4 million. It is too early in the year to do departmental budget comparisons, but will be able to in a few months.

Mr. Holman stated the Township is still waiting for the 2014 audit contract to be signed in order to move forward.

Mr. Warren Ritchie, Law Director, stated the Township had received a public document request regarding any additional documents in regard to privatization of the Fire Department since the last meeting on March 4, 2015. Mr. Ritchie stated there was a document at his seat this evening dated March 11, 2015 and asked if it was a Township document. Mr. Boeres stated it was prepared by Mr. Holman. Mr. Ritchie stated this would be sent in with compliance to the public document request. Mr. Holman stated the document alluded to earlier discussions. Mr. Holman was asked by Mr. Boeres to put together some numbers based on his best calculations and assumptions. The critical aspect is the assumptions that went into making the numbers themselves.

Mr. Ritchie commented in regards to terminating the general TIF District, not to be confused with doing a TIF on a particular property on a case by case basis. Mr. Ritchie stated he sent the Board a copy of letters that went out to the three (3) school districts informing them of the intentions of the board. No comments were received back yet from Little Miami Schools, Kings Schools and the Warren County Vocational School.

Mr. Ritchie noted he had a meeting tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. with the Warren County Auditor to discuss procedures and any concerns in closing the TIF District.

Mr. Weber opened the floor to the public.

Mr. John Roesch, 5406 Grand Legacy Drive, addressed the board about the fire situation. Mr. Roesch stated he is a Republican Precinct Captain. Mr. Roesch was made aware of township's financial mess when he became a Precinct Captain. This includes missing

audits over the years, accounting mistakes, violations of State Law and most recently Fiscal Emergency. Changes came with a new trustee, State Auditor's office became involved in assisting the township and a Fiscal Officer retired. With that a new Fiscal Officer was brought in to finish the term. The results so far have been positive. The next step is to look at each department and their buckets of money to find a way to manage things more efficiently. A few weeks ago Mr. Warrick presented his findings in a study he conducted about outsourcing the Fire Department by indicating a possible \$1 million in savings over five (5) years. Mr. Roesch was shocked with Mr. Weber's motion based on his sole cursory analysis. The vote was unanimous and astonishing. The board acted irresponsible and a violation of their public trust to be good stewards of the resident's money. Their decision may have been right, but we will never know because the trustees did not do their due diligence for the tax payers.

Mr. Bruce Scott, Parks Coordinator, asked Mr. Boeres for an update on the Concession Stand lease for Testerman Park. Mr. Boeres stated a proposal was received from Mr. Rick McHenry, Hillbilly BBQ. Mr. McHenry would rather not pay rent on a monthly basis so Mr. Boeres will go back to past electric and water bills to configure a cost.

Mr. Joe Walker, Adams Road, asked about the status of Cones Road repairs or possible repaving. Mr. Weber stated it depends largely on what happens with closing the TIF District. Mr. Boeres stated when the TIF is closed and funds become available it is first on the list. Cones Road was included in the bid with Warren County for chip and seal.

Mr. Weber closed the floor to the public.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:12 p.m. for Fire Chief Interview follow-up and discussion with Ms. Brock, Mr. Boeres, Mr. Ritchie and the trustees.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:54 p.m.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Weber stated Executive Session was follow-up discussion about the Fire Chief Interviews from earlier this evening.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to authorize Mr. Boeres and Ms. Brock to move forward in sending a candidate through the pre-hire process.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Weber seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes