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**MINUTES OF SYMMES TOWNSHIP SPECIAL MEETING**

**MARCH 20, 2014**

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The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Elected officials present were: Mr. Phil Beck, Mr. Kenneth Bryant, Mrs. Jodie Leis, and Ms. Carol Sims.

Also present: Brian Elliff - Township Administrator; Robert Malloy - Township Law Director.

MRS. SIMS presented the proposed 2014 Permanent Appropriations to the Board for its approval. Mrs. Sims advised this measure is based on the approved Budget and is similar to the temporary appropriations with some exceptions. The total amount of the 2014 Permanent Appropriations is \$8,730,444.81.

MRS. LEIS moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION F2014-01

Resolution Approving  
2014 Permanent Appropriations

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, that to provide for the current expenditures of said Board of Trustees, during the fiscal year, ending December 31st, 2014, the following sums be and the same are hereby set aside and appropriated for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made for the during said fiscal year, as follows, viz:

That there be appropriated from the:

General Fund	\$1,770,095.00
Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund	11,750.00
Gasoline Tax Fund	120,500.00
Road and Bridge Fund	222,580.00
Cemetery Fund	64,600.00
Cemetery Bequest Fund	1,500.00
Lighting Assessment Fund	130,000.00
Police District Fund	870,388.00
Fire District Fund	935,930.00
Road District Fund	624,447.00
Park Levy Fund	607,135.00
Rozzi Park Levy Fund	536,542.50
EMS Fund	515,055.72
TIF Fund	348,987.50
Note Proceeds - TIF	499,187.50
Safety Service	1,387,746.59
Township Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund	89,000.00
Grand Total of All Funds	\$8,730,444.81

MR. BECK seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mrs. Leis - 'aye'; Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MRS. LEIS moved that the Board enter Executive Session for the purpose of considering confidential information related to the negotiations with other political subdivision respecting requests for economic development assistance under Chapter 715 and is

necessary to protect the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with an economic development project and to discuss the employment of a public employee. Mr. Beck seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mrs. Leis - 'aye'; Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'.

The meeting adjourned for Executive Session at 7:10 p.m.

The meeting reconvened from Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

MRS. LEIS moved to amend the agenda to include Resolutions G2014-07 and P2014-01. Mr. Beck seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mrs. Leis - 'aye'; Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'.

Mrs. Leis moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION G2014-07

Resolution Setting Date and Time of Public Hearing on  
the Symmes Township JEDZ-1 Joint Economic Development Zone,  
Directing JEDZ Materials to be Filed with the Fiscal Officer for  
Public Inspection, and Directing Publication of Notice

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code ("ORC") Section 715.691 the Symmes Township Board of Trustees is considering the creation of a Joint Economic Development Zone ("JEDZ") within the Township and adoption of a corresponding JEDZ contract designating the zone; and

WHEREAS, ORC Section 715.691 requires that before the Board of Trustees may enact a resolution approving a contract designating a JEDZ that there must first be held a public hearing concerning the contract and zone ("public hearing"); and

WHEREAS, ORC Section 715.691 requires that at least 30 days' notice be given in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township noticing the time and place of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, ORC Section 715.691 requires that certain documents be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Fiscal officer during the 30 day period prior to the public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Symmes Township Board of Trustees, Hamilton County, Ohio:

- Section 1. On April 23, 2014 at the Symmes Township Safety Center located at 8871 Weekly Lane, at 7:00 p.m., a public hearing will be held to consider the proposed Symmes Township JEDZ-1 Joint Economic Development Zone ("JEDZ") and contract designating the zone.
- Section 2. During the 30 day period prior to the public hearing, the following documents shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Fiscal Officer and township administrative office: A copy of the contract designating the JEDZ (incorporated herein at Exhibit "A"); A description of the areas to be included in the JEDZ (incorporated herein as Exhibit "B"); A map in sufficient detail to denote the specific boundaries of the JEDZ area (incorporated herein as Exhibit "C"); and An Economic Development Plan for the JEDZ that includes a schedule for the provision of any new, expanded, or additional services, facilities, or improvements (incorporated herein as Exhibit "D").
- Section 3. The public hearing shall allow for public comment and recommendations on the contract and zone.

Section 4. The Township Fiscal Officer shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation within the township a notice of the time and place of the public hearing at least thirty days prior to the hearing date.

MR. BECK seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mrs. Leis - 'aye'; Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'.

MRS. LEIS moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION P2014-01

Resolution Adopting Revised Employment Agreement  
for Township Administrator

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees under the authority of Ohio Revised Code Section 505.031 is authorized to contract for the services of a Township Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, entered into an Employment Agreement with Brian Elliff as Township Administrator on January 3, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the parties to that agreement, Brian Elliff individually and the Symmes Township Board of Trustees, desire to replace that agreement with a new agreement that will continue to employ Brian Elliff as the Symmes Township Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Symmes Township Board of Trustees had determined that a new Employment Agreement is appropriate and necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio:

- Section 1. That the Employment Agreement set forth on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved and adopted.
- Section 2. Brian Elliff shall receive for services as Township Administrator the compensation and benefits as set forth in the Employment Agreement.
- Section 3. That this Resolution shall be adopted as an emergency for the reason that it is essential to recognize and adopt the Employment Agreement at the earliest possible date.

MR. BECK seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows: Mrs. Leis - 'aye'; Mr. Beck - 'aye'; Mr. Bryant - 'aye'.

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.