

TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2020
MEETING LOCATION: TWIN TOWNSHIP GARAGE 11474 KERAN STREET

President Michael Whitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Officials present at roll call were: President Michael Whitt, Vice-President Michael Darbyshire, Trustee Bryan Bethel, and Fiscal Officer William Jones.

Mr. Whitt stated the meeting's purpose is to consider Fire Department personnel issues and modifications to the Fire Department's Standard Operating Guidelines.

RESOLUTION 2020-01-08-01:

Motion by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel issues. All voted yes. Motion passed. Remaining in Executive Session with the Trustees was the Fiscal Officer. The Executive Session began at 7:00 p.m. Fire Chief Marty Johnson and Assistant Fire Chief Joe Alexander entered the Executive Session at 7:20 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 8:35 p.m.

RESOLUTION 2020-01-08-02:

Motion by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to approve the appointment of Marty Johnson as Fire Chief and Joe Alexander as Assistant Fire Chief as recommended by members. All other officers are to be voted on by department members at a special meeting to be called by the Fire Chief, giving all current members at least 7 days notice before the day of the meeting. Those members proposed for appointment will be presented to the Trustees for consideration of approval.

During discussion of this motion, Mr. Darbyshire said he was making the motion due to the low attendance at the meeting held last fall for selection of officers, and the fact that many officer positions did not have anyone to fill them at that time.

The Trustees also recommended that the offices of Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Fire Captain and Squad Captain be two-year appointments, and that two offices be up for appointment every year so that there could be continuity in the leadership. This proposal will be considered for inclusion in the revised Standard Operating Guidelines.

Upon call for vote, all voted yes to the motion. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2020-01-08-03:

Motion by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt that the following four officer positions be staffed by a member who resides in Twin Township: Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Fire Captain, and Squad Captain. During discussion, Mr. Darbyshire said he was making this motion because these four positions involve supervisory duties and, because of that, he believed these members should be residents of the township.

Upon call for vote, all voted yes to the motion. Motion passed.

Chief Johnson will present proposed changes to the Standard Operating Guidelines by providing them in writing to the Trustees. After they are received by the Trustees, a special meeting will be called to review the request for changes.

Motion by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to adjourn. All voted yes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 1/8/2020 TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:

Michael Whitt, President

Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President

Bryan Bethel, Trustee