

**BERLIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**

**6:00 p.m.                      Emergency Meeting                      April 11,                      18**

**HELD AT:** Berlin Township House, 3271 Cheshire Rd., Delaware, OH

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ron Bullard, Trustee Chairman

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Ron Bullard led the Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL:** Ron Bullard, Ken O'Brien, Tom D'Amico and Cathy Rippel, scribe, in the absence of Claudia Smith, Fiscal Officer.

**ATTENDANCE:** Christopher A. Rinehart

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Bullard said the emergency meeting was called to discuss legal representation in the matter of acquiring property.

**RESOLUTION 18-04-10                      RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PURPOSE OF AQUIRING PROPERTY. CHRIS RINEHART AND CATHY RIPPEL INVITED TO ATTEND-6:05 p.m.**

Motion: Mr. Bullard  
Second: Mr. O'Brien  
Vote: Mr. Bullard yes, Mr. O'Brien yes and Mr. D'Amico yes

**RESOLUTION 18-04-11                      MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 6:58 P.M.**

Motion: Mr. O'Brien  
Second: Mr. Bullard  
Vote: Mr. Bullard yes, Mr. O'Brien yes and Mr. D'Amico yes

**RESOLUTION 18-04-12                      TO RETAIN CHRIS RINEHART WITH RINEHART LEGAL SERVICES, LTD TO REPRESENT BERLIN TOWNSHIP WITH REGARD TO LEGAL ISSUES INVOLVED WITH FAIRVIEW MEMORIAL PARK AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$200 FOR AN AMOUNT UP TO \$3,000.**

I move that we retain Chris Rinehart with Rinehart Legal Services, Ltd., to represent Berlin Township with regard to legal issues involved with Fairview Memorial Park at an hourly rate of \$200 and that we authorize an initial expenditures up to \$3,000 towards payment of Mr. Rinehart's fees.

Motion: Mr. O'Brien  
Second: Mr. Bullard

Is there discussion?

Mr. O'Brien: To be clear, for the record, I would like to note, for the record, Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien is the township's general legal representative according to statute. However, Ms. O'Brien's office has advised Berlin Township in writing that her office has a conflict of interest that prevents her office from representing Berlin Township with regard to legal issues involving Fairview Memorial Park. Therefore, it is necessary that Berlin Township retain its own separate legal representation with regard to these issues that she has recused her office. Therefore, Berlin Township has no recourse but to retain Mr. Rinehart to represent Berlin Township interests with regard to Fairview Memorial Park.

Vote: Mr. Bullard yes, Mr. O'Brien yes and Mr. D'Amico yes

**RESOLUTION 18-04-13                      MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Motion: Mr. Bullard  
Second: Mr. O'Brien  
Vote: Mr. O'Brien yes, Mr. D'Amico yes and Mr. Bullard yes

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Meeting adjourned by Chairman, Mr. Bullard at 7:04 p.m.

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Ron Bullard, Trustee

ATTEST:

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Ken O'Brien, Trustee

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Cathy Rippel, Scribe

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Tom D'Amico, Trustee