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HELD AT:	Trenton Township Maintenance and Office Building, 15495 Hartford Road, Sunbury, OH 43074
ROLL CALL:	Chairman Almendinger called meeting to order. Roll Call: Richard Fisher – absent, Mark Almendinger – here, and Kevin Justice – here.
MINUTES:	Fiscal Officer did not read minutes from last regular meeting and will read them at next regular meeting
RESOLUTION 24-03-01	

Chairman Mark Almendinger motioned:

RESOLUTION EMPLOYING TOWNSHIP'S ATTORNEYS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS FOR THE YEAR 2024

WHEREAS, the Trenton Township Board of Trustees ("Board") is authorized by Section 309.09(B) of the Revised Code to employ attorneys on an annual basis other than the prosecuting attorney to represent the Township and its officers, boards, and commissions in their official capacities and to advise them on legal matters; and

WHEREAS, Section 309.09(B) of the Revised Code provides that no such attorney may be employed except on the order of the Board, duly entered upon its Journal, in which the compensation to be paid for the attorney's legal services shall be fixed; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to appoint attorneys to counsel and represent the Township on an annual basis for calendar year 2024 in such matters as the Board or its designee may refer to them; and

WHEREAS, the Board has appropriated the sum of \$3,000. for legal services for 2024;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees of Trenton Township, Delaware County, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Peter N. Griggs of Brosius, Johnson & Griggs, LLC and the law firm of Brosius, Johnson & Griggs, LLC, are hereby employed on an annual basis for calendar year 2024 as the Township's legal counsel to represent the Township and its officers, boards, and commissions in their official capacities and to advise them in connection with such matters as may be referred to said Counsel by or on behalf of the Board or its designee.

SECTION 2. The compensation for such counsel during 2024 shall be paid as follows: \$225.00 per hour partner attorney time; \$205.00 per hour senior associate time; \$180.00 per hour associate time; \$120.00 per hour law clerk time; and \$105.00 per hour legal assistant time; plus out-of-pocket expense reimbursements; provided that the total compensation shall not exceed \$3,000. without further action by this Board.

SECTION 3. The attorneys may be discharged at any time by a majority vote of

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the Board.

SECTION 4. The Township Fiscal Officer is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the law firm.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including, without limitation, Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its adoption.

Seconded by: Kevin Justice Vote: all – yes, motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn: Almendinger Second: Justice Vote: all - yes, motion carried.

Chairman Mark Almendinger

Fiscal Officer Cynthia Walton