

**COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE OF FAIRFAX  
JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE (JEDZ)  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 13, 2018**

Mr. Shelton called the meeting to order. The roll call was read and the following Board Members were present: Columbia Township: Mr. Kritikos and Mrs. Hughes; Village of Fairfax: Mr. Shelton, Mrs. Kaminer and Ms. Lally. Also present were JEDZ Administrator Mike Lemon, JEDZ Tax Administrator Jane Fetter and Fairfax Clerk-Treasurer Barb Blankemeyer.

Mr. Shelton asked for approval of the December 12, 2017 board meeting minutes. Mr. Shelton noted that the 2017 minutes should be amended to reflect that the Board officers for 2018 will remain the same as they were in 2017: President: Mr. Kubicki, Vice President: Mr. Shelton, Secretary: Mrs. Kaminer.

Ms. Lally made a motion to approve the December 12, 2017 meeting minutes, as amended. Mrs. Hughes seconded the motion. All Board Members present concurred with the motion. The December 2017 meeting minutes were approved.

**TAX ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** Jane Fetter presented the reports for January and February 2018. Collection of \$158,258.45 has been received. This is down 8% from the same time in 2017; however this decrease does not mean an overall decrease. Mrs. Fetter presented Exhibit A which showed that in 2016 there was some catch up that several businesses had to do from prior years. This resulted in more collections for that year. Overall, the total owed for each year is relatively the same, though it may have been actually collected over multiple years.

Exhibit D of the reports shows the total receipts collected per year as follows:

	<u>Total Net Profit</u>	<u>Total Withholding</u>	<u>Total All</u>
2014	\$20,113.29	\$231,149.37	\$251,262.66
2015	\$173,975.62	\$586,233.77	\$760,209.39
2016	\$262,912.23	\$692,512.14	\$955,424.37
2017	\$240,674.19	\$803,608.33	\$1,044,282.52
<u>2018 (Jan/Feb)</u>	<u>\$ 17,813.81</u>	<u>\$140,444.64</u>	<u>\$158,258.45</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$715,489.14</b>	<b>\$2,453,948.25</b>	<b>\$3,169,437.39</b>

Ms. Lally made a motion to accept the Tax Administrator's report, seconded by Mr. Kritikos. All Board Members present concurred with the motion. The motion carried.

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

None

**RESOLUTIONS**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

JED Zone Administrator Mr. Lemon stated that he received notification that the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) requires that a JED Zone submit all documents to the State Department of Taxation. There are not many JED Zones in the State of Ohio, but the filing will allow the State to schedule for audits and allows for businesses to file through the State to pay their taxes (as a result of HB 5). If a business chooses to do this, the State charges a fee and this could impact the JED Zone revenue.

So far, the impact on the JED Zone of businesses opting to file through the state are minimal. Many municipalities, including the Village of Fairfax, have joined in a lawsuit challenging what has come out of HB 5. The lawsuit lost in the first round of courts, however, this was expected since it is believed this will be an issue for a higher court to decide. This will be a topic of further discussion when more information is available.

CBT Agreement: Per the Agreement entered into by Columbia Township and CBT, the job creation grant has been filed and requested from the Township. Out of the total reimbursement request of tax payments made, Fairfax’s portion (10%) is paid to them first so the Village is not impacted. The remaining 90% is reimbursed to CBT at 50%. Mrs. Fetter has reviewed and verified the numbers for CBT. Mr. Lemon wanted the Board to be made aware the request has been made before the reimbursement occurs.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS/BANK RECONCILIATION:** Mrs. Kaminer made a motion to approve the bills and bank reconciliation, seconded by Mr. Shelton. All Board Members present concurred with the motion. The motion carried.

There was no other business discussed

The next meeting will be Tuesday June 12, 2018 at 5:00 PM at Columbia Township. Ms. Lally made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Hughes. All Board Members present concurred with the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

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