

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JERSEY TOWNSHIP, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO

RESOLUTION No. 26-01-05-09

**RESOLUTION EMPLOYING ATTORNEYS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

The Board of Trustees of Jersey Township, Licking County, Ohio met in a regular meeting on January 5, 2026 at 1481 Mink Street, Pataskala, Ohio 43062, with the following members present:

Dan Wetzel, Chairman

Jeff Fry, Vice-Chairman

Ben Pieper, Trustee

Trustee Wetzel moved the following:

WHEREAS, the Jersey 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 2026 in such matters as the Board or its designee may refer to them; and

WHEREAS, the Board has appropriated sufficient funds for legal services for 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JERSEY TOWNSHIP, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO, THAT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE AND IT HEREBY IS ADOPTED:

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 2026 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 2026 shall be paid as follows: \$235.00 per hour partner attorney time; \$215.00 per hour senior associate time; \$190.00 per hour associate time; \$130.00 per hour law clerk time; and \$115.00 per hour legal assistant time; plus out-of-pocket expense reimbursements; provided that the total compensation shall not exceed \$50,000.00 without further action by this Board.

Section 3. The attorneys may be discharged at any time by a majority vote of the Board.

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

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Section 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and pertaining to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of the Board, and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in accordance with all legal requirements including Ohio Revised Code §121.22.

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time provided by law.

Trustee Fry seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Pieper, Wetzel, Fry

NAYS:

The motion carried and the Resolution was adopted.

Attest: 

Marko F. Jesenko, Fiscal Officer

CERTIFICATE

State of Ohio, Licking County

I, the undersigned Fiscal Officer of Jersey Township, Licking County, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 26-01-05-09 is a true and complete copy of the Resolution adopted by a majority of the full membership of the Board of Trustees of Jersey Township at its regular meeting held on January 5, 2026 as was recorded in the official proceedings of the Board.



Marko F. Jesenko

Jersey Township Fiscal Officer