

# Resolution 8-2024

## Board of Township Trustees Brown Township Franklin County, Ohio

December 16, 2024

The Board of Township Trustees of Brown Township, Franklin County, Ohio, met in regular session this 16th day of December 2024, at the Brown Township Administrative Building, 2491 Walker Road, Hilliard, Ohio 43026, with the following members present:

Pamela Sayre, Chair  
Gary Dever, Vice-Chair  
Joseph Martin, Trustee  
Becky Kent, Fiscal Officer

Trustee Martin moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the *Board of Trustees* of Brown Township, Franklin County Ohio:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Brown Township is authorized by R.C. 309.09(B) 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, R.C. 309.09(B) 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 of Trustees of Brown Township finds it necessary to appoint attorneys to counsel and represent the Township on an annual basis for calendar year 2025 in such matters as the Board or its designee may refer to them; and

WHEREAS, the Board has appropriated the sum of \$ 40,000 for legal services for 2025.

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

SECTION 1: Brian M. Zets, Esq. and the law firm of Isaac Wiles & Burkholder, LLC are hereby employed on an annual basis for calendar year 2025 as the Township's legal counsel to represent the Township and its officers, employees, 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 2025 shall be paid as follows \$225.00 per hour partner attorney time; \$180.00 per hour associate time; \$105.00 per hour legal assistant time; plus out-of-pocket expense reimbursements; provided that the total compensation shall not exceed \$ 20,000 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.

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, R.C. 121.22.

SECTION 6: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

Adopted: 12/16/2024

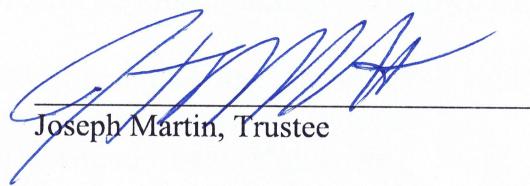
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
BROWN TOWNSHIP,  
FRANKLIN COUNTY

ATTEST:

  
Fiscal Officer

  
Pamela Sayre, Chair

  
Gary Deyer, Vice-Chair

  
Joseph Martin, Trustee