

Said finding was supported by the evidence that:

The territory is not unreasonable large and 13.48 acres is not the largest territory this Board of Commissioners has permitted an annexation to occur. The municipality of Oberlin will be able to provide services to the territory, they are not undertaking something that is unreasonable large, the shape and geographic features of the territory proposed to be annexed are regular and not unusual and are not creating any islands or peninsulas. The removal of the territory from the Township will not create a situation that the tax base of the Township to be so eroded or depleted so as to not permit the Township to continue on and provide goods and services to the township residents.

III. The Board further finds that on balance, the general good of the territory proposed to be annexed will be served, benefits to the territory proposed to be annexed and the surrounding area will outweigh the detriments to the territory proposed to be amended and the surrounding area, if the annexation is granted. As used...here..."surrounding area" means the territory within the unincorporated area of any township located one-half mile or less from any of the territory proposed to be annexed.

Said finding was supported by the evidence that:

On balance, the general good of the territory proposed to be annexed, is served because of the available of certain city services to those areas, including sewers, fire, police and there is also benefits to the area to be annexed and the surrounding areas and those benefits out weight the detriments due to the availability of utilities.

The annexation will provide benefit to the surrounding area through the enhancement of value of properties in the surrounding area. Final condition which we believe that has been met, is no street or highway will be divided between the Township and the municipality as to creating maintenance issues; and

IV. The Board further finds that;

Said finding was supported by the evidence based upon stipulated testimony of Agent Taylor and the Petitioners;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that;

- I. Based upon the findings of fact that all the conditions of annexation as contained in Revised Code 709.033 have been met the petition for annexation as presented is granted and incorporating the items of the annexation agreement between Township and the City of Oberlin.
- II. The Clerk be directed to enter this resolution upon the journal of the Board and send a certified copy to Attorney James N. Taylor, Agent for petitioners, Clerk of Oberlin City, and the Clerk of Township New Russia
- III. The Clerk, if no appeal is filed within thirty days of journalization of this resolution, be directed to deliver a certified copy of the entire record to the Clerk to the City Oberlin