

The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met in regular session on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 in the Township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

Members Present:

Brad Baxter Robert Sielschott

Members Not Present:

William Degen

Chairman Brad Baxter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of February 4, 2020 were approved as presented. Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

### FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2-18-20-1 accepts the memorandum of understanding between Allen Soil and Water Conservation District and Bath Township for MS4 Stormwater Program Administration. Motion made by Mr. Sielschott. seconded by Mr. Baxter, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Reports given to Trustees: Payment Listing for 2/19/2020, Fund Status, Fund Summary, Comparison of Budgeted and Appropriated.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of February 17, 2020, the checking account balance First National Bank \$1,802,336.21; Star Ohio balance \$98,788.73 and Fifth Third balance \$148,529.86 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,049,654.80.

## BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills as follows:

Payroll Total:

\$31,910.97

Expenditures/Bills

\$56,702.63

Total

\$88,613.60

Mr. Sielschott moved, and Mr. Baxter seconded the motion to pay the February 18, 2020 bills. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Adopt-A-Roadway (or park or Neighborhood)-sponsored by the Allen Soil & Water Conservation District and City of Lima. Looking for volunteers to pick up litter from streets and parks inside the City of Lima. They provide supplies, signage, safety equipment, trash bags, and trash pick-up. Fiscal officer has the application if anyone is interested.

Ottawa River Clean Up-Saturday April 25th from 9:00 to 12:00 noon. Sign in at the American Red Cross at 610 S. Collett Street. Volunteers are needed for this event.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Rain Barrels-2020 Rain Barrel Sale being conducted by the Allen Soil Conservation District. Fiscal Officer has information in anyone interested in participating in this program.

<u>Labor Management Meeting Request</u>-a copy of the letter from the Bath Township Professional Firefighters has been placed in the Trustees folder. They are formally requesting a meeting with the trustees to discuss the healthcare premiums.

#### TRUSTEES BUSINESS

Mr. Degen was not present.

Mr. Baxter discussed the 2020 Clean Up day for bath township and entertained comments. Last year it was the first Saturday of June, since no decision was made it will be discussed in future meetings. Mr. Baxter also discussed the letter he received regarding delinquent tax properties to be transferred to new owners.

Mr. Baxter requested an executive session to "Prepare for, conducting negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment."

Mr. Sielschott discussed Thom Mazur's report on cost of living figures and Lima/Allen County is on the lower side and our medical costs for the county are higher.

Randy Jones will be adding a new event center to replace the existing club house at Hawthorne Hills Golf Course. If condos are built the road would still be private and ODOT would not be involved. They are looking at 50 single family dwellings. Mr. Sielschott stated the repurposing of many properties are in an upward swing, residential and economic development. A new manufacturing facility with 50 plus full-time employees are looking to build in Bath and they would be a feeder facility to P & G.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Road Foreman Denny Wilkins had nothing further to report.

Fire Chief Joe Kitchen reported year to date calls for service are 197. Chief Kitchen has posted a full-time position that he will probably extend. Chief also promoted the hiring of six new part time employees as well. The fire department is continuing to partner with Apollo and Ohio Means Jobs.

**Zoning/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer** reported on the OTA conference and felt it was very informative. He obtained flash drives that has information on classes at the conference. He attended a class on "how to prevent annexation" and 5G. Ohio Cat has submitted plans for new signage, and they will keep the signs the same size. He also has received a few variance requests.

Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay was not present.

#### HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

There were (3) three from the public in attendance. The following Bath Residents were in attendance at the meeting and voiced concerns/issues:

- Ruth Hollenbacher 150 St. Andrews Blvd. stated everyone has not been contacted. Mr. Baxter reiterated that the adjacent properties to the overlay have been contacted. Ruth asked what verbiage will be distributed at the Public Hearing. Mr. Baxter responded that the one the zoning commission recommended. Ruth reported she has contacted Ohio Ethics Commission, Mr. Sielschott responded he has also contacted Ohio Ethics Commission and conferred with his attorneys. Mr. Baxter responded we are not changing the zoning to B2 as Ruth suggested. Mr. Sielschott responded to Ruth's Ohio Ethics questions; he will bring in a written response of their recommendations that he complies with all laws.
- Ted Schumacher asked why there are so many empty store fronts on 309 on the Perry township side. Ken responded that many of those store fronts are empty because they are leased out by the same company and the rent is too high.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **March 3**, **2020 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to recess the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m. and go into executive session at 7:43 p.m. to "Prepare for, conducting negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment." It was determined to end the executive session at 9:23 p.m. and no action was taken.

Being of no further business, Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Lisa Cogley, Fiscal

Brad Baxter, Chairman

Robert Sielschott, Vice Chairman