



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met in an electronic format via GoToMeeting on **Tuesday, May 19, 2020**. A notice of the electronic meeting was posted on the township website, posted on the township office door entrance.

Members Present:           Brad Baxter  
                                      Robert Sielschott  
                                      William Degen

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

**The minutes of the meeting of May 5, 2020 are approved as presented.**  
Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

### **FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS**

#### **Reports provided to Trustees:**

Payment Listing for 5/20/2020, Fund Status, Revenue Report, Bank Reconciliation Report for April 2020.

**RESOLUTION 5-19-20-1 Approves the hiring of Michael B. Carl as a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic effective 6/1/20 at an hourly rate of \$16.17 in accordance with the current IAFF Local 4539 union contract. Additionally, accepting an internal township physical agility test in lieu of CPAT or Firefighter Mile due to the lack of available tests because of the COVID-19 outbreak, and further, requiring him to complete Firefighter Mile or CPAT testing within one (1) year.** Discussion: Chief Kitchen welcomed Michael to the online meeting and highly recommended hiring him. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 5-19-20-1 Authorizes a price increase of \$9,591.75 to the Allen County Engineer for the Bath Township 2020 Road Program.** Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The fiscal officer reported as of May 16, 2020, the checking account balance; First National Bank \$2,145,748.54; Star Ohio balance \$99,038.34 and Fifth Third balance \$249,488.27 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,494,275.15.

### **BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

#### **Breakdown of bills as follows:**

Payroll Total:	\$30,957.72
Expenditures/Bills	\$50,523.43
Total	<u>\$81,481.15</u>

Mr. Sielschott moved, and Mr. Baxter seconded the motion to pay the **May 20, 2020** bills. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

None

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

**Allen County Public Health**-Notification of expected expenses to be incurred by the township for 2021 are estimated at \$48,462.00.

**Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission**-we have exhausted all our drawdown funds thru Regional Planning for the fiscal year. In the bills this week was the overage charged to us of 277.30. This could be a continuing expense the remainder of the year.

### **TRUSTEES BUSINESS**

**Mr. Degen** spoke to Dave Louth at the Allen County Engineer's office regarding the revised increase for the road program.

**Mr. Baxter** discussed the social hall and at this time it will remain closed until current mandates are lifted. Mr. Baxter discussed the letter received from Allen County Board of Elections.

**Mr. Sielschott** reported Ron Meyer ACE office recommends approval of development plan. Phase I is completely full and the last hurdle is stormwater compliance when an engineer finally completes the plans that will be addressed. County will approve this process. Mr. Degen inquired about the lot elevations and stated he will be working with the county on the stormwater issue.



Mr. Sielschott discussed cash reserve history and 2020 projections due to COVID impact. Mr. Sielschott supplied some projections to the trustees and gave department heads ideas of where we could reduce expenses. Twenty five percent of revenue lost due to real estate tax increases have been replaced. Those as well as permissive and gas taxes have helped.

This brings to light the issue of additional license plate tax and do we need to look at implementing that revenue stream. Mr. Baxter asked how do we determine when to implement changes. Mr. Sielschott suggested roads and police are two areas that would need to be looked at. He feels now is the time to act on the license plate fee. We will review the letter and determine the course of action.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Road Foreman Denny Wilkins** discussed the road program and the increased amount needed. He also reported an invoice will be sent to the Henry Bergman who will be reimbursing the township for sweeping streets in the amount of \$570.

**Fire Chief Joe Kitchen** reported year to date calls for service are 547. Calls for service continue to be low, but he has seen increases in the last ten days.

**Zoning/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer** Reported DDC approved lot split across from the fire station. Scott Campbell scheduled at BZA hearing on June 1, 2020 regarding signage. The township was not chosen for the project on Reservoir road (Case #108). Ken and the trustees discussed the event center at Hawthorne Golf Course and stated he will be reviewing the building plans. The contractor stated he will be tearing down the property this week.

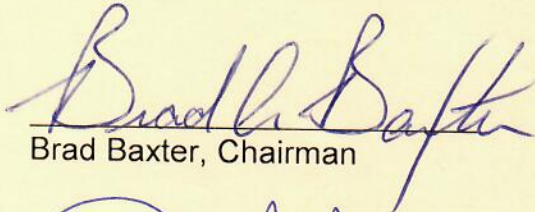
**Secretary/Social Hall Manager Tammy** had nothing further to report.

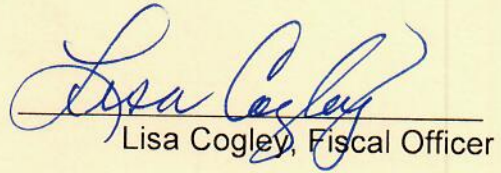
### **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

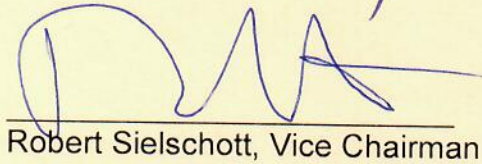
There was (3) three from the public in attendance via the electronic process. No issues presented by the public

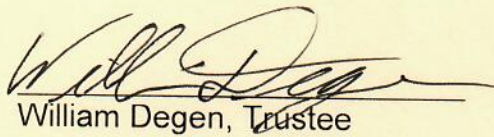
The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **June 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** in electronic format via GoToMeeting.

Being of no further business, Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

  
Brad Baxter, Chairman

  
Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer

  
Robert Sielschott, Vice Chairman

  
William Degen, Trustee