



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met in an electronic format via GoToMeeting on **Tuesday, August 4, 2020**. A notice of the electronic meeting was posted on the township website, as well as posted on the township office door entrance.

Members Present: Brad Baxter
 Robert Sielschott
 William Degen

Chairman Brad Baxter called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of July 21, 2020 are approved as presented.
Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

Reports given to Trustees: Payment Listing for 8/5/2020, Fund Status, Revenue Status, Fund Summary, Cash Flow Summary by Fund, Bank Reconciliation for July 2020.

DISCUSSION: Fiscal Officer presented three issues:

- 1.) ACSO Fire/EMS Dispatch Fees:
 - ACSO Dispatch Services for 2020/2021 \$28,224.
 - ACSO Dispatch Services for 2019/2020 \$26,880.
 - ACSO Dispatch Services for 2015 through 2018 \$24,600 for each year.
 - a. Chief Kitchen reported that the increase helps support the software updates that are being implemented as the current system for dispatch services is antiquated. He fully supports the price increase.
- 2.) Switching to ACH payments online for quicker processing and cost savings due to less printed warrants and time spent by township employees/trustees reviewing signing and mailing.
 - Ohio Deferred Comp – already converted with this pay cycle.
 - Initiated paperwork for Ohio Police Retirement Fund. Expected transition to take place the first pay in September.
 - Retirement, Deferred Comp, and HSA Deposited Funds are in the employees accounts much quicker and saves on warrant processing.

3.) Purchases:

- Requesting that any purchase with a very low amount purchase price we use the credit card. It is not in our best interest to continue to cut checks for items that cost as low as \$2.00 to \$20.00.
 - a. 2020 there were 31 payments under \$20.
 - b. 2019 there were 57 payments under \$20
 - c. 2018 there were over 75 payments under \$20.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of July 31, 2020, the checking account balance; First National Bank \$2,013,012.80; Star Ohio balance \$99,260.91 and Fifth Third balance \$10,896.80 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,123,170.51.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills as follows:

Payroll Total:	\$28,047.74
Expenditures/Bills	\$41,271.76
Total	<u>\$69,319.50</u>

Mr. Degen moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to pay the **August 5, 2020** bills. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

UPCOMING EVENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Tax Assessments-The Fiscal Officer will begin preparing the lighting assessments as well as assessments for two property demos. Assessment documentation is due at the Auditors Office in October. Resolutions will be presented at a future meeting for the assessments, as required by Ohio Revised Code.

TRUSTEES BUSINESS

Mr. Degen and Tammy obtained computer pricing for Ken Meyer's office. Ken's computer in his office is very antiquated. The price for a dell laptop is \$1140. The trustees will possibly make a decision at next month's meeting.

Mr. Degen attended the Tax Incentive Review meeting and reported Nelson Packaging abatement will be off in 2026 and it will be about \$10,000 a year. Lima Pallet will be off in 2027 and it was a \$700,000 investment and forgo \$4,000 in taxes. P& G comes off at end of this year and we should receive about \$90,000 in 2022. The second P&G comes off in 2022 \$29,000 funds paid in 2023.

Mr. Baxter

Remarked that he looks forward to returning to regular meetings as soon as the mandated state requirement of no groups more than 10 allowed in public.

Mr. Baxter discussed the annual Clean-Up day in September and with the covid 19 situations he asked for input. Mr. Degen feels that it is too much personal contact and does not feel it is a good idea. Mr. Baxter agreed that this is not a good year to do it. He requested we post clean up cancellation on our website.

Mr. Baxter made everyone aware that he knows there are people that cannot connect electronically for the Trustee meeting and the public hearings. Tammy had people calling in to make comments about the hearing. Brad did call those individuals to address their concerns.

Mr. Baxter contacted ACSO about purchasing "stop sticks" for the cruisers, this equipment basically flattens tires. They would like to put these in all three cruises, he requested the trustees review the quotes. Mr. Baxter suggested with the P&G abatement even though it goes off next year we do not receive the funds until the following year.

Mr. Sielschott also inquired about if the overlay was on the website and Tammy reported it is there and she had it moved to the front page.

Mr. Sielschott reported we have formalized our abatement policy and we have not done any tax abatements in the last 2 ½ years. An example of that is the possible Beer Barrel, and he has spoken with Mr. Heaphy on numerous occasions regarding this.

Mr. Sielschott addressed the issue of being business friendly now and if the overlay area passes, we will not consider abatements in that area. P&G is a great community business for Bath, and we have done a great job of how our township is perceived. Mr. Sielschott had a discussion with a business owner who wanted an abatement and they were told that it was not in our townships interest. He feels we are moving the right way with Economic Development and we must show good judgment. Also discussed was the two media outlets that publicized our added incremental patrols.

Mr. Sielschott also discussed while he would like to return to normal meetings, he realizes it is not possible with the state mandates and you can not pick and choose who would get into the a publicly held meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Foreman Denny Wilkins reported the contracts for the road program will be starting about August 10th. The parking lot pole light is currently being fixed and all fixtures will be changed over to LED. Changing the pole lights to LED lighting should save the township money on the lighting.

Fire Chief Joe Kitchen reported year to date calls for service are 877. Chief discussed their FEMA assistance for firefighters' grant was approved and will be approximately \$30,000. It will be used for nozzles and hoses. Chief Kitchen reported he and Ken went to the old TSC building and spoke to them about the demo, construction is tentative to start August 7th.

Zoning/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer reported for the month of July were (12) certificates, (10) complaints and (56) inquiries. The Health Department will be holding their hearings for the three properties on August 14th at 8:00 a.m. The structures at 1048 Prosperity and 4217 Reservoir have been removed. Ken met with Spartan Nash Finch about the delinquent property that borders their property. They were interested and asked if the township would pay for an environmental study. The Trustees agreed that they will not be providing the study. Ken will get back with them and tell them that the township will not support that. Ken received a full packet on rezoning on Mumaugh Road, Scott has been in contact with Regional Planning.

There were (12) annual fire inspections, (2) requested fire inspections and (1) follow-up inspection.

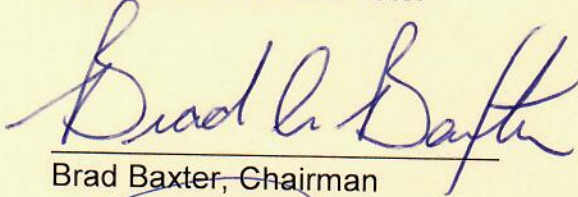
Secretary/Social Hall Manager Tammy had nothing further to report.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

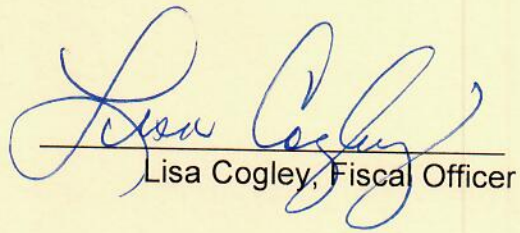
There were (2) two from the public in attendance via the electronic process. No issues were presented by the public

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held on **August 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** in electronic format via GoToMeeting.

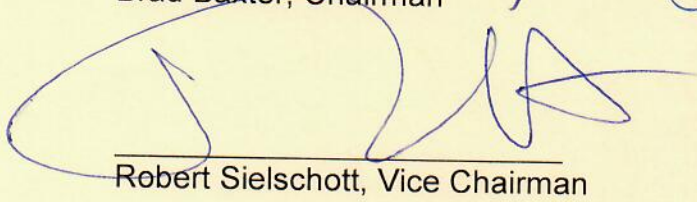
Being of no further business, Mr. Degen moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.



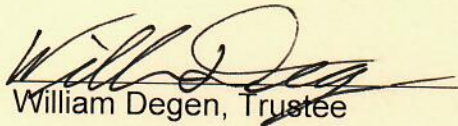
Brad Baxter, Chairman



Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer



Robert Sielschott, Vice Chairman



William Degen, Trustee