

The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Thursday, **December 29, 2020** in the Township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

Members Present:

Brad Baxter

Robert Sielschott William Degen

Chairman Brad Baxter called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 15, 2020 were approved as presented. Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

Mr. Degen moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to appoint Brad Baxter to serve as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township for 2021. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Degen seconded the motion to appoint Robert Sielschott to serve as Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township for 2021. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Sielschott moved, and Mr. Degen seconded the motion to set the regular meetings of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 12-29-20-1 providing for the removal of a junk motor vehicle from the property owned by William Bowersock, parcel number 37-1900-01-022.000 in Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio. Discussion: The owner has passed, and the vehicle does not run, it is and untagged and has been there for three to four years. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 12-29-20-2 approving the purchase of five (5) Key Secure Knox systems in

the amount of \$5,001.00. Discussion: Ken reported they started with these in 2003 and added more in 2011, these new keys will be easier for uploads and works with Windows 10 operating systems. Chief Kitchen explained that local businesses rely on the fire department to have the most secure systems. Motion made by Mr. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 12-29-20-3 approving retaining the firm of Rumer & Maisch as Legal Counsel for 2021. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 12-29-20-4 approving retaining the firm of Brosius, Johnson, & Griggs, LLC of Dublin, Ohio for 2021. Discussion: Mr. Sielschott stated this firm will be helpful with zoning. Motion made by Mr. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 12-29-20-5 approves the Memorandum of Understanding between Bath Township and the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission in support of the LACRPC serving as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Allen County, Ohio Study Area. Motion made by Mr. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 12-29-20-6 authorizes the Allen County Engineer to annually paint railroad and pavement markings in Bath Township and spray roadside brush with recommendation of the Bath Township Road Foreman. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Baxter, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of December 24, 2020, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,474,775.32; Star Ohio balance \$99,327.92 and 5/3 balance \$94,406.32 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,668,509.56.

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to pay the December 31, 2020 bills in the amount of \$101,217.07. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports Provided to Trustees: Payment Listing, Fund Status, Revenue Status, Appropriation Status as of 12/31/20 for all departments. (Note: There are still small amounts showing in the 2272 Covid Funding accounts. This is necessary to allow for all payroll and benefits thru 2020. It has been approved that expenses will be allowed to carry over into 2021. We have a minimal amount left that I will then do reallocation to that fund after all salaries, withholdings and benefits are completed.)

CORRESPONDENCE

Ohio Bureau of Workmen's Compensation; Received the dividend payment for return of premiums. Total received in this receipt was 73,683.64.

TRUSTEES BUSINESS

Mr. Degen had nothing further to report.

Mr. Baxter reported he would like to see the meetings return to in-person sometime in 2021. He inquired to see if they could be held in the Social Hall. Tammy will contact the Health Department to see what safety protocols we would need to have in place. Mr. Baxter requested the public contact Tammy with any input.

Mr. Sielschott had nothing further to report.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Foreman Denny Wilkins had nothing to report.

Chief Kitchen reported 1,534 calls for service year to date. Chief reported calls are down from last year. Chief inquired to see if information has been received on the Fire Fighters Independent Board. Chief also reported the employees at the fire department have had there first round of vaccinations and will receive their second shot 21 days from the first. He will also have information to the trustees regarding part time wage increases for the next meeting.

Zoning Inspector Ken Myer reported there have been no improvements made to the property located at 1899 E. Bluelick Road as of this date. The next hearing on the property is at the January 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. via "GoToMeeting." The contractor has received the zoning certificate for the event center at the old Hawthorne Hills site. They will be obtaining the building permits and starting construction soon.

Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay had nothing further to report.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

There were (2) two people from the public in attendance.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held on **January 19**, **2021 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

Being no further business, Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer

Brad Baxter, Chairman

Rebert Sielschott, Vice Chairman

William Degen, Trustee