



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **May 18, 2021** in electronic format via GoToMeeting.

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 regular meeting of May 4, 2021 were approved as presented. Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 5-18-21-1: providing notice concerning structurally defective, unsecure, or unsafe structures; and declaring the property owned by Bobby Jack Welch at 3445 Hadsell Road in Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio, a nuisance. Discussion: Ken Meyer took additional pictures and emailed them to the Trustees. The property is unsecure, and rodents are in the property along with quite a bit of debris, trash, and tires. Mr. Sielschott remarked that this is the same property that has had issues. Mr. Sielschott confers its uninhabitable and should be demolished. Mr. Degen agrees it is time to move forward and inquired about what will happen with the camper and boat on the property. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Baxter, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of May 15, 2021, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,654,119.53; Star Ohio balance \$99,367.73 and 5/3 balance \$8,735.04 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,762,222.30.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills as follows:

Payroll Total:	\$ 32,397.78
Expenditures/Bills	\$ 45,719.88
Total	\$ 78,117.66

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion to pay the **May 19, 2021** bills in the amount of \$78,117.66. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports Provided to Trustees: Payment Listing 5/19/21, Fund Status as of 5/19/21, Bank Reconciliation Report 4/30/21.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2022 Township Budget-Fiscal Officer is beginning the process of estimating the budget. Please submit any large expenditures expected in 2022 so they can be accounted for.

The proposed budget will potentially be distributed at the June 1st meeting. Typically, our approved budget is presented to Allen County Auditor's office in July.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ottawa River Coalition Meeting-received an email detailing the next meeting, Scheduled for May 27th via Zoom. If you wish to attend this meeting, the Fiscal Officer can forward you a link to the meeting if you do not have one.

TRUSTEE BUSINESS

Mr. Degen contacted Allen County Commissioners about the Old Folks Home on possible demolition.

Mr. Baxter discussed the Governor rescinding all health orders effective June 1, 2021 and resuming in person meetings at the second meeting of June. Mr. Degen feels we could start in person meeting on June 1, 2021. It was agreed to start in person meetings on June 1, 2021. Mr. Baxter inquired on whether to have the first meeting in July due to the issue of the holiday break, it was agreed to have the first meeting of July. He also discussed the Social Hall, and it was decided to open it on June 2, 2021, Tammy will notify designated renters that it will be available. Mr. Baxter discussed the access control system for the Township building and social hall, he would like to pursue revisiting this on two of the social hall doors and the office door. Mr. Degen agreed that it is time to fix this issue due to the key shortage and that we are unable to make duplicate keys for these doors. It is also imperative that we pursue the purchase of some cleaning equipment for the social hall. Mr. Baxter requested an executive session "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotions, demotion, or compensation of a public employee."

Mr. Sielschott recommends we initiate the incremental sheriffs patrolling our areas, to reduce break in and have more visibility of the sheriff's department. Mr. Baxter agreed we should start this as well, Mr. Sielschott will work together with Lisa to get this started. Mr. Sielschott also spoke on the rate of return regarding interest rates.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Foreman Denny Wilkins reported they started mowing the roadside ditches. Mr. Degen asked Denny Wilkins to check into traffic caution signs for Lost Creek Boulevard regarding "Slow Children at Play". Denny informed Mr. Degen they are not recognized signs by the State of Ohio. Denny will check with County to see if they have any of these signs or if they use these signs and what cost would be.

Chief Kitchen reported 585 calls for service year to date. Chief Kitchen reported they are halfway through Spring Fire Hydrant flushing. He discussed sealing and stripping the Fire Department parking lot to be included in the budget.

Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer There have been no improvements made to the property at 1899 E. Bluelick Road as of this date. Ken sent photos to the trustees of the property located 3445 Hadsell Road, he will conduct title search for property to start the process. Ken received a letter from the Health Department on the property located at 3387 Shearin Avenue, the court date is May 26th, at 1:30 PM. He spoke to the owner of 185 Mumaugh Road and she said the cost of demolishing the building was higher than expected. She also said due to construction costs, she is looking to buy a building somewhere else.

Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay had nothing to report.

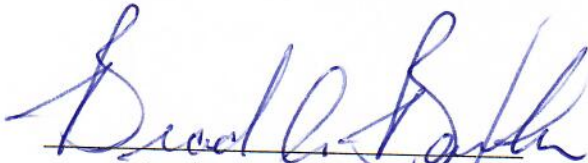
HEARING OF THE PUBLIC


There were (2) two people from the public in attendance. Clarence Roller 3920 E. Bluelick Road commented about the possibility of wide speed bumps and Mr. Degen remarked that we did not pursue it. Clarence also commented on the upcoming budget and how our funds are getting lower and lower. He wonders if sooner or later something has to be done, Mr. Baxter commented this is something on their minds.

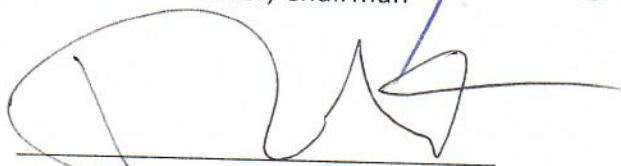
The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **June 1, 2021 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Degen seconded the motion to recess the regular meeting at 7:38 p.m. and go into executive session at 7:39 p.m. "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotions, demotion, or compensation of a public employee." It was determined to end the executive session at 7:57 p.m. No further actions were taken in the regular session.

Being of no further business, Mr. Degen moved, and Mr. Baxter seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.


Brad Baxter, Chairman


Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer


Robert Sielschott, Vice Chairman


William Degen, Trustee