



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **December 21, 2021**, 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 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 7, 2021, were approved as presented.
Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

Resolution 12-21-21-1: hereby declaring the property owned by Kimberly Dailey, 1311 McKinley Avenue, located in Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio, a nuisance. Discussion: Mr. Meyers gave the Trustees an update on this case and answered any questions they had. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 12-21-21-2: Approving Ty Koontz to attend Firefighter Level II training at Apollo Career Center and authorizing payment of \$1,200.00, and further directing the fire chief to seek 75% reimbursement through the State of Ohio Fire Marshal's Office Training Reimbursement Grant. Discussion: It is the Chief's goal to have all of his fire fighters at a Level II. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 12-21-21-3: Approving the hiring of Andrew Petronio as a full-time Level II Firefighter/Paramedic effective 1/1/22 at the hourly rate of \$18.13. Discussion: Chief reported Andrew has quite a bit of experience and he is from the Cincinnati area. Motion made by Mr. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Degen, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 12-21-21-4: Approving the hiring of Caden Woodward as a full-time Level II Firefighter/Paramedic effective 1/1/22 at the hourly rate of \$16.98. Discussion: Chief reported Caden is coming to us from the Columbus area and comes from a fire-fighting family. Motion made by Mr. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 12-21-21-5: Approving the renewal agreement with Emergency Reporting nka ESO Solutions of Dallas, TX in the amount of \$3,988.20 for fire and EMS reporting software and support for 2022. Discussion: They are already a vendor, but a resolution is needed due to the dollar amount. Motion made by Mr. Sielschott, seconded by Mr. Degen, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 12-21-21-6: Approving the purchase of four (4) firefighter turn out coats and four (4) pairs of firefighters turn out pants from Fire Safety Service, Inc. in the amount of \$10,057.76. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Sielschott, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 12-21-21-7: Reappointing Gary Reynolds and Terry Baldwin to serve on the Bath Township Fire Department Board of Dependents representing the Board of Trustees of Bath Township, effective 1/1/22. Discussion: They have been notified and have agreed to serve on the board. Motion made by Mr. Sielschott, seconded by Mr. Degen, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 12-21-21-8: Approving Chief Joseph Kitchen to attend the Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association 2022 Winter Symposium in Columbus, Ohio on March 1st, and 2nd, 2022, and approving lodging and meals expenses. Further, acknowledging that the Bath Twp. Fire Dept. Foundation, Inc. is covering the cost of the symposium registration fees. Discussion: Chief attends this symposium every year. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Baxter, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Discussion:

Appropriation Status for 2021 Fiscal Officer will be providing an appropriation status report at the December 30th meeting, after all the year-end expenditures have been completed. This will give a great visual on where we stood with budgeting vs expenditures.

American Rescue Plan Funding-Fiscal Officer loaded the funding accounts to the fire dept full time employees time records and salaries are now posting to that account.

Ohio Department of Liquor Control-Received payment in the amount of \$ 3,802.40 for 35% fee of licensing for the year. The check has been deposited.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of December 8, 2021, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,683,883.05; Star Ohio balance \$99,413.05 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,783,296.10.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills for approval:

Payroll Total:	\$ 34,040.03
Expenditures/Bills	\$ 57,284.50
Total	\$ 91,324.53

Mr. Sielschott moved, and Mr. Degen seconded the motion to pay the December 22, 2021, bills in the amount of \$91,324.53. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports Provided to Trustees: Payment Listing, Fund Status 12/22, Revenue Status Report 12/22.

TRUSTEE BUSINESS

Mr. Degen had nothing to report.

Mr. Baxter had nothing to report.

Mr. Sielschott inquired to see how townships with their own police and fire departments pay for their current dispatching services. Chief explained the Sheriff's Office has provided dispatching for all of these villages and townships for decades for free, they only charge fire departments; Chief Kitchen will be attending a meeting regarding this tomorrow. The Chief and Trustees discussed various surrounding townships who have their own police departments. Mr. Sielschott reported the year end meeting will be his last and he wanted to take this time to thank the Trustees. He stated it has been super interesting and sometimes it has been extraordinarily frustrating, but this job is what you make it. Mr. Sielschott told the Trustees they do their job well from putting in the time to being on extra committees, he stated it has been a real honor to do this for four years and really appreciated Mr. Degen and Mr. Baxter. He feels they have done some good things over the last four years to expand basic services. One thing he learned pretty quick is you can have all of these ideas, but our real jobs are roads, fire and police, basic services. Four years ago, we had 11-12 places to build a home in Bath Township and now we have 110 somewhere in the pipeline. He feels our reputation is not an automatic no anymore. Mr. Sielschott hopes they continue to encourage residential growth.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Superintendent Mr. Wilkins had nothing to report.

Chief Kitchen reported 1679 calls for service year to date. Chief thanked Mr. Sielschott for his service.

Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer reported for the month of December his total number of zoning certificates were (3) he had (4) complaints and (45) inquires.

Ken received a demo quote for 3445 Hadsell Road and sent a copy to the homeowner. Ohio Cat intends to use adjacent property for storage, they have requested to rezone to B-2. They have started building the new truck stop at 1201 Neubrecht Road. Mr. Collins has submitted paperwork to rezone 34.479 acres to R-1 for second phase on Lost Creek Golf Course re-zone it to B-2. Paperwork was sent to them. Scott Campbell is preparing the paperwork and it has been submitted to RPC for a recommendation. Steve Walsh has agreed to another term on the Zoning Commission. Joe Bakies has agreed to another term on the BZA.

There were (10) Annual Fire Inspections, (2) requested inspections and (3) follow up inspections.

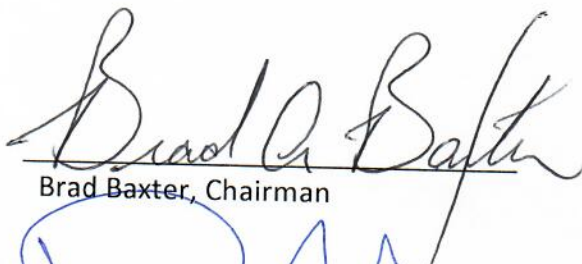
Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay was not present.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

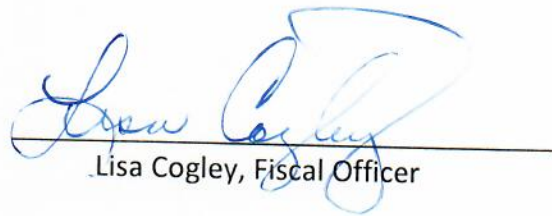
There were (0) people from the public in attendance.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **January 18, 2022, @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom. An End of Year special meeting will be held on Thursday, December 30th at noon.

Being of no further business, Mr. Degen moved, and Mr. Sielschott seconded the motion. to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:58 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.



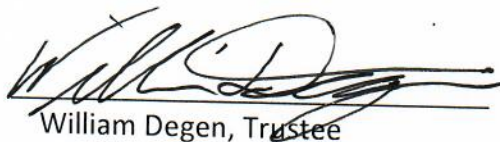
Brad Baxter, Chairman



Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer



Robert Sielschott, Vice Chairman



William Degen, Trustee