



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **May 17, 2022**, in the township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

**Members Present:** William Degen  
Michael Meeks

Chairman William Degen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**The minutes of the meeting of May 3, 2022, were approved as presented.** Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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

**RESOLUTION 5-17-22-1:** Approving the purchase of one (1) 2022 Osage ambulance on a Ford F550 Super Duty chassis, VIN: 1FD0X5HT6NED19030 from Myers Equipment Corporation of Canfield, Ohio, in the amount of \$184,232.00 using the American Rescue Plan Funding account. Discussion: Chief reported they typically replace one every 8-9 years. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 5-17-22-2:** Authorizing the sale of one (1) 2013 Osage Ambulance on a Ford F450 Super Warrior chassis (VIN: 1FDUF4GT6DEA05750) to the Richland Township Board of Trustees of Beavertown, Ohio, in the amount of \$20,000.00. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 5-17-22-3:** Approving the hiring of Cody Blair as a full-time Level II Firefighter/Paramedic at the rate of \$17.49 effective 5/17/22. Discussion: Cody is currently a part time employee; we are excited to have him as a full-time employee. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 5-17-22-4:** Approving the hiring of Bridget Martin as a full-time Level II Firefighter/Paramedic at the rate of \$17.49 effective 6/1/22. Discussion: Bridget is currently a part time employee; we are excited to have her as a full-time employee. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 5-17-22-5:** Whereas Matthew Briggs began his career as a full-time Firefighter here in Allen County, Ohio in April of 1996, and whereas he has served as a leader in the fire service in the Lima/Allen County area for twenty-six years, and whereas he has been a friend and mentor to countless firefighters in our community for over two decades, and whereas he joined the Bath Township Fire Department in October of 2019 as a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic, now therefore, let it be resolved by the Board of Trustees of Bath Township, that his retirement as a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic be approved effective June 3, 2022, and further, that the Board of Trustees of Bath Township thank Mr. Briggs for his dedicated service and wish him a long and healthy retirement. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 5-17-22-6:** Approving the hiring of Matthew Briggs as an intermittent Level II Firefighter/Paramedic at the rate of \$14.85 effective 6/4/22. Discussion: Matt has knowledge to help repair equipment, we appreciate his assistance. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 5-17-22-7:** Approving the hiring of Mitchell Douglas as an intermittent Level I Firefighter/EMT-Basic at the rate of \$14.10 effective 5/17/22. Discussion: Mitchell passed his Level II today, therefore, his salary will be adjusted per his level of certification as a Level II rather than a Level 1. We are incredibly happy to have him. Motion made by Mr. Degen, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The fiscal officer reported as of May 14, 2022, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,766,936.35; Star Ohio balance \$99,497.96 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,866,434.31.

### **BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

#### **Breakdown of bills for approval:**

Payroll Total:	\$39,078.99
Expenditures/Bills	\$270,317.66
Total	\$309,396.65

Mr. Degen moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to pay the **May 18, 2022**, bills in the amount of \$309,396.65. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports Provided to Trustees: Payment Listing 5/18/22, Fund Status 4/30/22 & 5/4/22, Receipt Report as of 4/30/22.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**ARP FUNDS:** The ARP Funding Balances are as follows:

Total Funds Received thus far: 496,457.46

Total Funds Disbursed: 230,356.00

Total Available/Remaining Bal \$ 266,101.46

**Note:** Expected 2<sup>nd</sup> disbursement of funds should occur during May or June.

### **TRUSTEE BUSINESS**

**Mr. Degen** had nothing to report.

**Mr. Baxter** was not in attendance.

**Mr. Meeks** had nothing to report.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Road Superintendent Dennis Wilkins** reported they are currently working on foundations in the cemetery, once they are complete, they will begin their first round of mowing.

**Chief Kitchen** reported 665 calls for service year to date. Chief received the final decision on the dispatch contract, it will be about \$7,000 less per year, he is incredibly happy with our services. Chief discussed legalized fireworks in Ohio, with restrictions and when they take effect. Chief submitted a request to both hospitals in the area and foundation donations regarding the three AED's.

**Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer** spoke to the State of Ohio and their legal department stated we can declare abandoned trailers nuisances. He has not had any response from 3445 Hadsell Road but is obtaining a quote from Ben's.

**Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay** had nothing to report.

GUESTS: Allen County Commissioner Beth Seibert reported on projects that included Bible and Neubrecht loop as well as SR 81 loop. Dustin Engle presented the plans the Water Board is working on as well as their long-range plan. Brad Niemeyer from the Sanitary Engineering Department reported they are looking at a capital plan for using ARP funds. The Bath plant is in fairly good condition, however the software that is used in antiquated and needs replaced.

### **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

There were (14) fourteen from the public in attendance. Clarence Roller 3920 E. Bluelick Road was happy to hear that P&G is going forward with their project.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **June 7, 2022, @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

Being of no further business, Mr. Degen moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

  
William Degen, Chairman

  
Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer

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Brad Baxter, Vice Chairman

  
Mike Meeks, Trustee