



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **November 1, 2022**, in the Township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

Members Present: Brad Baxter
Mike Meeks

Vice Chairman Brad Baxter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of October 18, 2022, were approved as presented.
Motion made, seconded, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 11-01-22-1: Approving the hiring of Ross Emans as a full-time Firefighter/Paramedic effective 11/1/22, at the rate of \$17.49/hour in accordance with Article 30, Section 30.1 of the contract agreement with the Bath Township Professional Firefighters IAFF Local 4539. Discussion: Ross has worked for Bath Township previously, and we are extremely excited to have him. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Meeks and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 11-01-22-2: Approving the purchase of a 2023 Freightliner 108SD in the amount of \$189,949, using ARP funds, based on the quotations provided by Kalida Truck Equipment and Stoops Freightliner with a delivery date of April 2023. Discussion: We will be using Covid ARP funds for this truck and it will be replacing a current 2001 model. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Meeks and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 11-01-22-3: Accepting the certification by the Fiscal Officer of all special assessment projects for Bath Township tax year 2022, calendar year 2023, have been verified and confirmed for correct parcel number charges on those parcel numbers. This is based on ORC 727.01 & 505.86 giving the Fiscal Officer authority to charge this. Motion made by Mr. Meeks seconded by Mr. Baxter and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of October 30, 2022, the checking account balance First National Bank \$3,032,702.99; Star Ohio balance \$100,199.84 for a total amount of all funds at \$3,132,902.83.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills for approval:

Payroll Total:	\$31,166.34
Expenditures/Bills	\$44,354.28
Total	\$75,520.62

Mr. Meeks moved, and Mr. Baxter seconded the motion to pay the November 2, 2022, bills in the amount of \$75,520.62. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote .

Reports emailed to the Trustees: Payment Listing 11/2/22, Fund Status 11/2/22, Revenue Status 11/2/22,

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ARP FUNDS:	
The ARP Funding Balances are as follows:	
Total Funds Received (2021):	\$496,457.46
Total Funds Received (2022)	\$497,135.04
Total Funds Disbursed:	\$249,510.76
Total Available/Remaining Balance	\$744,081.74

TRUSTEE BUSINESS

Mr. Baxter discussed the Health District Council meeting that approved the 2023 budget, this was a \$2300 (%5) increase for Bath Township. Sewage and septic they are charging \$23 a year, and next year the charges will be billed every five years. Regarding the Allen Water District potential project on SR 81, the County was considering giving ARP funds, but have been advised not to do so.

The topic at the Allen County Townships Association meeting was primarily about solar projects. Mr. Baxter reiterated that all townships are going through the same issues.

Mr. Baxter requested an executive session to "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotions, demotion, or compensation of a public official."

Mr. Meeks reported on the solar farm meeting held in the social hall.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Superintendent Gary Jay reported this is their first official day of leaf pick up and they have already done eighteen loads. He discussed the need for a new mower deck to replace a current 20-year-old deck they are using. Gary reported on the meeting he, and Mr. Degen attended regarding the Lee Ann Drive project. Bath Township will supply the tile and the County will provide the labor. The total cost would be about \$1,000. Mr. Degen suggested using ARP funds. The two extra sheriff's cruisers have been brought back to the township since they are not in use. The FO received a call regarding speeding in Woodbriar Subdivision and she explained our lack of Deputies at this time. Gary will place the radar sign in the subdivision to help deter speeders.

Chief Kitchen reported 1527 calls for service year to date. Chief discussed his newsletter that he sends out and the list of equipment repairs within it. One of the ladder trucks also has a head gasket going out and will be in repairs for a week. Chief reported the income stream from Accumed is leveling off and finally getting the kinks out of it.

Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer reported for the month of October that there were eight zoning certificates, five complaints and eighty-three inquires. Ken completed five annual fire inspections, one requested, and two follow-up inspections. The Solar Company contacted Ken, and they have decided not to pursue the variance at this time.

Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay reported the Social Hall received \$600 for the month of October.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

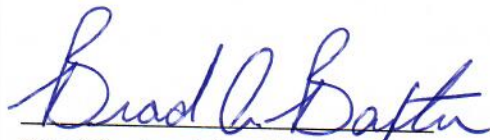
There were (17) seventeen from the public in attendance. Dean Edwards 3232 Loescher Road was appreciative of the trustees work and Ken's work on the solar issue. He inquired if the agenda could be placed on the website, could legal notes be posted and requested a correction to resolution 3/15/22. Pam Edwards 3232 Loescher Road doesn't feel there is transparency. She is disappointed the minutes are not posted immediately. Tom Burden Lutz Road inquired what Kayla Campbell is at the prosecutor's office. She is our designated attorney for dealing with zoning and municipal government. Clarence Roller 3920 E. Bluelick Road understands people want to know about everything but maybe what we should be doing is putting it out there that we need to be thinking about a levy. People need to understand that the township is a great place, and we need to take care of it.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **November 15, 2022, @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom

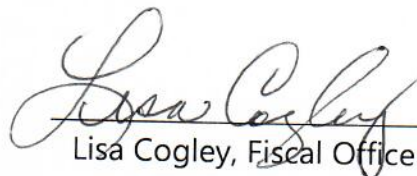
Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to recess the regular meeting at 7:53 p.m. and go into executive session at 8:00 p.m. "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotions, demotion, or compensation of a public official." It was determined to end the executive session at 8:05 p.m.

Upon returning to the regular meeting Mr. Meeks made a motion and Mr. Baxter seconded the motion to appoint Joseph Patton to fill the unexpired term of Trustee. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. No further action was taken in the regular session.

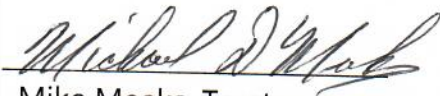
Being of no further business, Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.



Brad Baxter, Vice Chairman



Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer



Mike Meeks, Trustee