



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **December 6, 2022**, in the township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

Members Present: Brad Baxter
Mike Meeks
Joe Patton

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

Guest Speaker: Kimberly Styles from the Allen Water District discussed the potential waterline project on State Route 81. She reported they are back on track for financing the project and ARP funds will be used. The township is able to use the ARP funds as long as it is unrestricted funds. Our township will reach out to the prosecuting attorney to ensure our compliance. The project would help with pressure issues that residents have incurred, Mr. Baxter expressed the township's willingness to contribute to this project. Mr. Meeks inquired if the fire hydrant charges could be negotiated with our commitment on this project. Mr. Baxter thanked them for attending tonight and explaining the project.

The tabled minutes of the meeting of November 1, 2022, were approved as presented. Motion made by Mr. Meeks, seconded by Mr. Baxter, and abstained by Mr. Patton.

The minutes of the meeting of November 15, 2022, were approved as presented. Motion made by Mr. Meeks, seconded by Mr. Baxter, and abstained by Mr. Patton.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 12-6-22-1: Authorizing the payments of \$2,878.31 to Interdyne Corporation and \$557.76 to U.S. Vac Services for the total amount of \$3,436.07 for cleaning and waste disposal of two oil/water separator tanks at the Bath Township fire station on 11/9/22. Discussion: Chief Kitchen explained their system for removing oil waste and explained the need for this as the system was backing up. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Patton and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of December 4, 2022, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,893,912.44; Star Ohio balance \$100,761.75 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,994,674.19.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills for approval:

Payroll Total:	\$ 37,418.72
Expenditures/Bills	\$100,761.75
Total	\$137,728.88

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to pay the December 7, 2022, bills in the amount of \$137,728.88. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports emailed to the Trustees: Payment Listing 12/7/22, Fund Status 12/7/22,

DISCUSSION ITEMS

<u>ARP FUNDS:</u>	
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 property on Cool Road in the flood plain and how the current owner cannot live in the home. The County has stepped in to assist the owner and the Commissioners have asked the Township to take care of the greenspace. It was previously agreed that this would not be a burden and that we do accept this property ownership.

Mr. Baxter motioned to agree to taking over and maintaining 420 S. Cool Road. Mr. Meeks amended the motion to reflect the previous letter written by the Trustees in 2016. Mr. Baxter seconded Mr. Meeks amended motion; Mr. Patton abstained.

Mr. Baxter received a rough draft from the prosecutor's office regarding regulation for solar and wind farms. It would give us more control of the issues; public will have input on these issues before finalizing. Mr. Baxter received an email from the State regarding grants for law enforcement, Mr. Patton reported that he has worked on this same grant.

Discussion on end of year meeting and year end issues.

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

Mr. Meeks inquired if the Bath Township Fire Department Foundation took the place of the volunteer fund. Chief explained corporations prefer to donate to a 501C3 rather than just a donation fund. Chief has invited Board members of the fund to our next Trustee meeting.

Mr. Patton had nothing to report.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Superintendent Gary reported on the number of burials they have had this week and the impacts that they have on their work schedule. Gary reported the Cool Road guardrail project has been completed and since the measurement was 100 feet short, the extra cost will be around \$3,000. They are currently getting trucks ready for snow removal, and he reported they had 50 truckloads of leaves with the new leaf machine. That would be equal to 150 loads with the old leaf vac.

Chief Kitchen reported 1,686 calls for service year to date. Chief reported he spoke with Mr. Patton regarding the website. There are some employees that will take over the CorpComm business under a new name of PK Design. Chief feels we should have some employees get some training. Chief and Mr. Patton will continue to work on this. The Fire Department is fully staffed for FF/EMT and Platoon Chiefs. The document presented to the Board shows the training/education requirements to be eligible for full time hiring.

Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken reported for the month of November there was nine zoning certificates, four complaints and forty inquires. Property located at 175 N. Mumaugh is under contract to be demolished. Prosecutor's office sent a letter to the owner at 106-108 Winston Court to remove the vehicles, title the vehicles or store them inside. The owner of 1250 Neubrecht has been contacted regarding break-ins, and it has been secured. Kevin Schmiedebusch on the Board of Zoning Appeals and William Perrin on the Board of Zoning Commission terms are up on December 31, 2022. Ken completed seven annual fire inspections, two follow up inspections and one CPR class.

Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay reported for the month of November the Social Hall received \$900.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

There were (7) seven from the public in attendance. Travis Fillhart 1150 Roush Road expressed interest in being appointed to the Zoning Commission. Lisa Fillhart 1800 Ada Road inquired about the response time of the ACSO. Mr. Patton commented they are working with the Sherriff's Department and will be implementing a new marketing campaign. Tom Burden 1710 Lutz Road asked when the document Mr. Baxter received from the Prosecutor's office can be viewed by the public. Mr. Baxter stated as soon as they have had time to review and discuss it.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **December 20, 2022, @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to recess the regular meeting at 8:12 p.m. and go into executive session at 8:17 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 9:15 p.m. Upon returning to the regular meeting the following resolutions we passed:

RESOLUTION 12-6-22-2 Approving the renewal of Medical Mutual Health Insurance utilizing a HRA program. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Patton and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

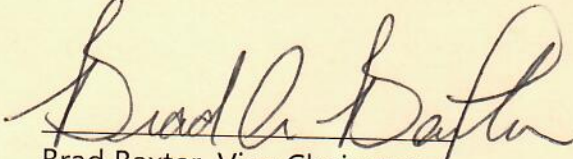
RESOLUTION 12-6-22-3 Approving Grady Benefits as the Agent of Record for healthcare/major medical insurance. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Patton and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

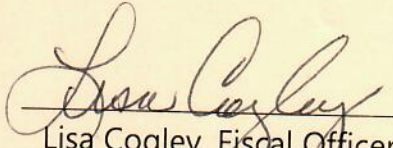
RESOLUTION 12-6-22-4 Approving \$50,000 of ARP funds to offset the increase in premiums to the township. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Patton and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

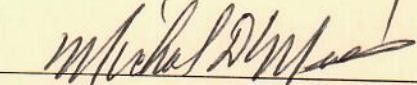
RESOLUTION 12-6-22-5 Approving continuing coverage with First Insurance Group for Vision, Dental and Life Insurance. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Patton and passed by unanimous roll call vote.


RESOLUTION 12-6-22-6 Approving the proposal and contract with Ohio Township Association Risk Management Association, as the provider for property and casualty insurance for fiscal year 2023. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Meeks and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Being of no further business, Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.


Brad Baxter, Vice Chairman


Lisa Cogley, Fiscal Officer


Mike Meeks, Trustee


Joe Patton, Trustee