



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **August 15, 2023**, in the Township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

Members Present: Brad Baxter
Mike Meeks

Members Not Present: Micah Hollinger

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 1, 2023, were approved as presented. Motion by Mr. Baxter, seconded by Mr. Meeks and passed by a roll call vote.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 8-15-23-1: The Board of Trustees of Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio hereby approves the payment of \$3,280.16 to Fire Safety Services, Inc. for one (1) Firefighter Turn Out Coat and one (1) pair of Firefighter Turn Out Pants. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Meeks and passed by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 8-15-23-2: The Board of Trustees of Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio hereby rescinds Bath Township resolution 8-1-23-1 (approved the disbursement of \$20,000.00 in Ohio Office of Budget and Management "Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program" grant funds for premium pay for current Bath Township Fire Department employees who served from January 27, 2020, through April 10, 2023, in the following amounts:

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- Bryan Cox: \$1,488.71
- Ross Emans: \$293.37
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- Travis Fillhart: \$862.46
- Jared Jenkins: \$1,896.98
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- Kevin Markward: \$2,031.54
- Bridget Martin: \$824.96
- Brenda Meyer: \$79.40
- Kenneth Meyer: \$1,169.07
- Dru 'Ann Pletcher: \$1,685.23
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- Nicholas Shady: \$293.37
- Jeb Sheidler: \$4.41

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- Jerod Wright: \$1,292.59
- Brock Yingling: \$185.28

Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Meeks and passed by roll call vote.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of August 13, 2023, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,919,981.70; Star Ohio balance \$104,096.03 for a total amount of all funds at \$3,024,077.73.

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:	<u>\$588,215.55</u>
Total Available/Remaining Balance	\$405,976.95

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills for approval:

Payroll Total:	\$ 49,655.55
Expenditures/Bills	\$ 329,353.78
Total	\$ 379,009.33

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to pay the August 16, 2023, bills in the amount of \$379,009.33. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Reports Emailed to Trustees: Payment Listing 8/13/23, Fund Status 8/13/23, Revenue Status 8/13/23. Mr. Baxter and Mr. Meeks confirmed they received these reports.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

July 2023 Bank reconciliation is complete.

Payment was officially issued for the 2022 Road Program Expenses.

First National Bank is working on renewing the account agreement for deposit of public funds.

In follow-up on the Trustee's business from the 8/1/23 meeting, First National Bank is offering a Hi-Fi Money Market Savings account with the current rates at 5.45%, 5.59% APY. Current rates for the Township Business Interest Checking accounts are 2.05%, 2.07% APY.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received a letter from Capital One for the Township Menards credit card. Beginning September 30, 2023, the Buy "N Fly Plus Program, where previously redeeming 1,500,000 credits would entitle the cardholder to the services of a private jet provided Menard, Inc. will be discontinued.

Received a letter from the Allen County Board of Elections verifying the following changes for Bath Township: The resignation of Joseph Patton and Rebecca Phillips, and the appointment of Joshua Luke and Micah Hollinger.

Received letters from STAR Ohio with authorization codes to use to redeem funds from the STAR Ohio account.

Received a letter from the Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund in regard to the medical testing and certification on 7/11/23 for Lainey Bowan. Based on the records submitted, the office has submitted the required reports and certification pursuant to ORC Section 742.38 and OAC Rule 742-1-02.

TRUSTEES BUSINESS

Mr. Baxter – Held a meeting with the Firefighter’s Union Representation to discuss the recently filed grievance against the Township. Agreement was made that if the levy passes, the Union, and the Township will jointly develop a plan for repayment of any funds the township covers. The Union and the Township will jointly pursue concessions if the levy fails. The Grievance is resolved while staffing levels return to normal (until the November election). Mr. Baxter motioned to approve the agreement as presented, Mr. Meeks seconded. Motion passed by roll call vote.

Mr. Meeks had nothing to report.

Mr. Hollinger was not present.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Superintendent Gary Jay discussed Issue 1 money, and how any funds received go to high traffic, high speed roads. Likely Roush Rd and possibly Neubrecht Rd are coming up soon. Held a meeting with railroad officials to discuss the Metzger Rd railroad crossing. The road cannot be closed at this time.

Chief Kitchen was not present.

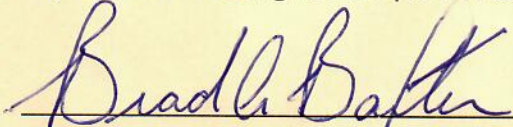
Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer reviewed his zoning report with the Trustees.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

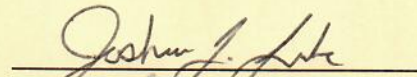
There were (6) six from the public in attendance. Liz Makely, 1382 Fetter Rd – Asked about any updates on the county home. Mr. Baxter responded that there are no new updates at this time. Liz also inquired about ponds and standing water in the township. Is anything being done to treat for mosquitos? At this time, the Township doesn’t treat for mosquitos. Clarence Roller, 3920 E Bluelick Rd – Asked if there was an agenda for the first special levy meeting to be held on August 24th. Mr. Baxter responded that there were plans to discuss Fire Dept needs first, and potential future needs for levies that may be considered in the near future.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **September 5, 2023, @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

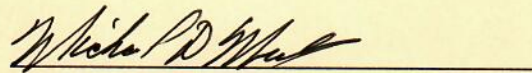
Being of no further business, Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Hollinger seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.



Brad Baxter, Chairman



Josh Luke, Fiscal Officer



Mike Meeks, Trustee