



The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **September 5, 2023**, in the Township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

Members Present: Micah Hollinger
Mike Meeks

Members Not Present: Brad Baxter

Trustee Mike Meeks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 15, 2023, were not voted on for approval due to corrections that needed to be made. These minutes will be voted on at the September 17, 2023, meeting.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 9-5-23-1: The Board of Trustees of Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio hereby accepts the resignation of Jerod Wright as an intermittent fire department employee effective August 30, 2023. Motion made by Mr. Meeks seconded by Mr. Hollinger and passed by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 9-5-23-2: The Board of Trustees of Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio hereby moves to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Governing Board of BATH TOWNSHIP, Allen County, Ohio, in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding year commencing January 1st, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Allen County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten-mill tax limitation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Governing Board of BATH TOWNSHIP, Allen County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said Township the rate of each tax necessary to be levied with and without the ten-mill limitation as follows:

BATH TOWNSHIP

Schedule A

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION
 AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES

Fund	Amount approved by Budget Comm. Inside 10 M. Limitation	Amount to be Derived from Levies Outside 10 M. Limitation	Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied	
			Inside 10 M. Limit	Outside 10 M. Limit
	Column I	Column II	III	IV
General Fund	182,456.00		0.55	
Road & Bridge	278,403.00		0.90	
Special Funds				
1984 Fire		183,121.00		0.90
Police		206,516.00		1.00
2004 Fire		789,446.00		3.00
TOTAL	460,859.00	1,179,083.00	1.45	4.90

Schedule B

Levies outside 10 mill limitation, exclusive of Debt Levies

Fund	Maximum Rate Authorized to be Levied	Co. Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column II)
1984 Fire Fund: Levy authorized by the voters on 11/6/1984 for a continuing period of time.	0.90	183,121.00
Police Fund: Levy authorized by the voters on 11/8/1988 for a continuing period of time.	1.00	206,516.00
2004 Fire Fund: Levy authorized by the voters on 5/7/2019 for a period of 5 years.	3.00	789,446.00
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TOTAL	4.90	1,179,083.00

and be it further **RESOLVED** that the Clerk of said Board certify a copy of this Resolution to the Allen County Auditor. Motion made by Mr. Meeks seconded by Mr. Hollinger and passed by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 9-5-23-3: The Board of Trustees of Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio hereby accepts the resignation of Rebecca Phillips as Assistant Fiscal Officer, effective September 18, 2023. Motion made by Mr. Hollinger seconded by Mr. Meeks and passed by roll call vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The fiscal officer reported as of September 3, 2023, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,672,062.53; Star Ohio balance \$104,580.30 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,776,642.83.

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>\$557,432.29</u>
Total Available/Remaining Balance	\$436,160.21

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Breakdown of bills for approval:

Payroll Total:	\$ 29,836.17
Expenditures/Bills	\$116,038.19
Total	\$ 145,874.36

Mr. Hollinger moved, and Mr. Meeks seconded the motion to pay the September 6, 2023, bills in the amount of \$145,874.36. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Reports Emailed to Trustees: Payment Listing 9/3/23, Fund Status 9/3/23, Revenue Status 9/3/23. Mr. Hollinger and Mr. Meeks confirmed they received these reports.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

August 2023 Bank reconciliation is complete.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received confirmation letter from the Auditor’s Office verifying that recently requested appropriation changes for the principal loan payments to the Ohio Public Works Commission and changes for making 2022 road program payments do not exceed the official estimate of resources available.

Received schedule of estimated 2024 payments from Local Government funds from the Auditor’s Office. Bath Township is estimated to receive \$94,814.38 in Local Government funds in 2024.

Received a letter from the Office of the Allen County Prosecutor regarding legal updates that were recently made by the general assembly regarding competitive bidding and zoning referendums as detailed in HB 33. The changes go into effect on October 3rd, 2023.

Received a letter from the Office of the Allen County Prosecutor regarding ARPA funds. This letter serves as a reminder heading into audit season that all ARPA purchases must be made in compliance with state and federal laws. It is the recommendation of the Prosecutor’s Office to seek outside counsel for these matters.

Received a letter from the Ohio Department of Transportation regarding SR 81/Thayer Road Intersection Improvements. This letter is an invitation to a public meeting to discuss converting the intersection to a roundabout. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 21st, 2023, from 1-3 PM or 6-8 PM at the Union Chapel Missionary Church, 4869 Ada Road, Lima. All meeting materials and a pre-recorded presentation will be posted on the project website, transportation.ohio.gov/Allen81Thayer on Sept. 21, 2023.

TRUSTEES BUSINESS

Brad Baxter was not in attendance.

Mr. Meeks gave the Oath of Office to swear in Ted Schumacher for the Zoning Commission.

Mr. Hollinger had nothing to report.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Superintendent Gary Jay had no new report to give at this time.

Fire Department - Chief Kitchen stated there were 1,069 YTD calls for service.

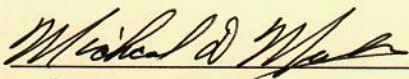
Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer reviewed his zoning report with the Trustees.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

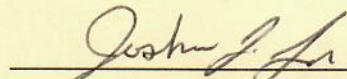
There were (8) eight from the public in attendance. Taylor Wilkins, 1121 Roush Rd – Asked for clarification on which residential district their property is in to clarify their ability to have chickens. Mr. Meeks recommended Taylor speak with Mr. Meyer after the meeting to go over zoning policies.

The next special levy meeting will be held **September 12, 2023, @ 6:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **September 19, 2023, @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

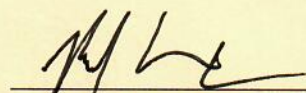
Being of no further business, Mr. Meeks moved, and Mr. Hollinger seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.



Mike Meeks Trustee



Josh Luke, Fiscal Officer



Micah Hollinger, Vice Chairman