

<BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 5/12/2010

Brian Randles, Chair, called the review session to order at 7:15 p.m. at which time trustees signed checks for payment of the bills and the agenda was discussed. Randles called the regular business meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Members present were Trustees Carol Moore, Brian Randles, Joseph Smith, and Fiscal Officer David Cyphert. Also present were Township Department Supervisors and interested citizens. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and we paused for a moment of silence in honor of our military.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

- **Motion** by Smith, second by Moore to approve minutes of the meeting held Apr. 24, 2010. Motion carried 3-0.

- Sealed Bid Openings:

Truck Parts Package: Road Supervisor Randy Solt presented two bids from Ace and Kaffenbarger. Representatives from both companies, Dan Heil from Kaffenbarger and Jerry Ardruy from Ace were present at the meeting. The trustees opened the bids (which are on file at the Administrative Office) were read aloud. Total bid from Ace was \$49,622. Both bids were compared to each other. Moore said the trustees need to rate both bids on the appropriate evaluation form. Ace was rated higher on the evaluation form.

- **RESOLUTION 22-10:** BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES to accept the bid of \$49,622 from Ace for the truck parts package advertised by Bloom Twp which is contingent upon all required documents being submitted.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith

ROLL CALL: MOORE: YES RANGLES: YES SMITH: YES

Resolution approved 3-0.

2010 Road Paving and Maintenance Project: Road Supervisor Randy Solt presented one bid from Shelly Company. The bid which is on file at the Administrative Office was discussed by the trustees. All required forms were submitted. Due to fuel costs, Shelly representative Rick Bennett said the prices were increased.

- **RESOLUTION 23-10:** BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the bid submitted by Shelly Company for the 2010 Summer Resurfacing and Repair Project is accepted.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith

ROLL CALL: MOORE: YES RANGLES: YES SMITH: YES

Resolution approved 3-0.

- **Motion** by Moore, second by Smith to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$23,016.23 and charges in the amount of \$60,550.71 having been certified by the Fiscal Officer that funds are available. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION 24-10: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES to approve a within fund transfer for concrete for the Fire Dept. as follows: \$12,500 from 2111-760-750-0000 to 2111-220-323-0066.

Motion by Smith, second by Moore

ROLL CALL: MOORE: YES RANGLES: YES SMITH: YES

Resolution approved 3-0.

RESOLUTION 25-10: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES to approve a within fund transfer for turnout gear for the Fire Dept. as follows: \$12,500 from 2111-760-750-0000 to 2111-220-599-0006.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith

ROLL CALL: MOORE: YES RANGLES: YES SMITH: YES

Resolution approved 3-0.

RESOLUTION 26-10: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that \$125,000 is appropriated from unappropriated Gas Fund money for the purchase of the Road Dept. truck cab/chassis and parts. This increases the total appropriation in the Gas Fund to \$263,100.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith

ROLL CALL: MOORE: YES RANGLES: YES SMITH: YES

Resolution approved 3-0.

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RESOLUTION 27-10: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

to approve a within fund transfer of \$1,500 from line 2031-760-740 (Machinery, Equipment, and Furniture) to line 2031-330-323 (Repairs and Maintenance) in the Road & Bridge Fund.

Motion by Smith, second by Moore

ROLL CALL: MOORE: YES

RANDLES: YES

SMITH: YES

Resolution approved 3-0.

-Reminder to all department heads to review budgets and submit 2011 budget request to Fiscal Officer before June 10, 2010.

TRUSTEE REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and OTHER COMMUNICATIONS:

-Moore encouraged the trustees to give the fiscal officer their budget input to plan for 2011.

-Randles said he had an inquiry about the yellow house in Greencastle. The Board Administrator asked him to have the citizen contact her and she will address legal concerns in the zoning department. Per advice from counsel, once a citation is issued, we must be cautious about discussing pending legal matters.

-FO Cyphert announced he is awaiting approval from the county engineer's office regarding payment to the civil engineer for a current invoice.

OLD BUSINESS: Request for signage on Slough/Waterloo roads: We await official advice from the county engineer's office on this issue.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: by Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Administrator

-Update on Red Fox house foreclosure: We were notified by the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office that a deputy was dispatched to a home on Red Fox to check on the resident's well being. The deputy said it is in foreclosure and the resident will soon be moving out. Weeds are high, however, due to it being in foreclosure, the township can't mow but once the house is sold in a few weeks, he expects the weeds to be cut. He was concerned about a large amount of animal feces at the house and notified the health department but they referred him to us. Our zoning does not address the control of animal feces in a residence. The trustees asked her to consult with the health department for more information. She will update them at the next meeting.

-Schumacher update: On 05/04/2010, the case was filed with Municipal Court. It is set for arraignment on 5/25/10 at 9am.

-Report on Lancaster Transportation survey: She met with Carrie Wood, Administrator for Lancaster Public Transit. They are conducting a county wide survey to see if transit buses are needed in neighboring townships. Grant funds are available for this through the city. If Bloom Twp. residents show enough interest, a grant could be applied for by the city to pick up Bloom Twp. residents at their residence and take them anywhere in Fairfield County for \$2. The survey is online. Unfortunately, it does not specifically show the name "Bloom Twp" in the survey but you would have to check which zip code you are in. If people would check the Lithopolis zip code since that is the largest village area in our township, there may be a chance at getting grant money. The survey is available online: www.businesscounty.com or you may obtain paper copies by contacting the Lancaster Public Transit office at 740-681-5086. Only one response has been received so far from our area so many more responses from Bloom Twp. residents are needed. The survey consists of 5-12 questions depending on the respondent type (resident, business, agency, government, other), and addresses issues or needs for transportation throughout Fairfield County. This quick survey takes a matter of seconds to complete.

-Quarterly meeting update: July is Bloom Twp.'s turn to host the Fairfield County Fiscal Officers and Trustees Association quarterly meeting. Arrangements are being made to hold it at Rock Mill. The trustees agreed that a light meal of hot dogs and related side items could be served. Mrs. Cyphert and Mrs. Moore will coordinate the event and will be contacting the trustees for any needed assistance.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Terry Gill, Fire Chief

-Discussion regarding plans for the upcoming fish fry.

-Planning Committee: Chief Gill presented a list of names to serve on the Fire Dept. planning committee: Residents at large Dianna Wears and Dan Barham; Terry Hetzer, Retired Captain from Washington Twp Fire Dept.; BTFD Lt. Officer; the BTFD Union president; Lloyd Zuck of the BTFD Association; Fiscal Officer David Cyphert; Chief Gill; and each trustee (Moore, Randles, and Smith) to rotate every two meetings.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve the formation of the committee as presented by Gill to exist until 12/31/10. If more time is needed, the chief may ask for an extension of time for the committee. Motion carried 3-0.

-Portable radio purchase from Violet Twp. Fire: These are 800 frequency radios and are used by the Columbus hospitals. \$10,000 worth of radios would cost us \$1200.

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Motion by Smith, second by Moore to approve the purchase of four 800 MHz radios at a cost of \$1200. Motion carried 3-0.

-9 sets of turn out gear are needed \$14,525 plus related gear.

-A resident of the township was caught illegally burning and the sheriff's office and EPA investigated it. Charges were filed. Asphalt shingles and tires were burning. The matter will proceed to court.

-New bed purchase for station 551: Every 5 years some beds need replaced. They were last purchased in 2004. 6 beds and 3 box springs cost: \$2664.00

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve the payment of \$2664.00 for new beds and box springs for the fire department. Motion approved 3-0.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Randy Solt, Road Supervisor

Smith Road tree removal estimates were submitted. The trustees discussed the estimates. The lowest estimate was Arbaugh Tree Service.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve the estimate of \$200 from Arbaugh Tree Company. Motion carried 3-0.

Road Department roof had a leak that Solt repaired. Some records were wet. Moore advised to consider a new roof when planning his budget.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian E. Randles, Chair

David Lee Cyphert, Fiscal Officer