

<<<BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING 12/31/07>>>

Brian Randles, Chair, called the meeting to order. Members present were Trustees Randles, David Petty, Joseph Smith, and Fiscal Officer Carol Moore. Also present were Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Admin. and B/Z Administrator; Fire Chief Terry Gill; and several interested citizens.

Randles asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance and to remain standing for a Moment of Silence in honor of our troops serving in the Military throughout the world.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT:

On behalf of the Fire Dept. a Bloom Township Firefighter presented the board of trustees with a proposal for EMS online continuing education. This would be a uniform method for providing and tracking continuing education. The control and oversight would be done by fire department personnel. It would not replace hands on and outside courses. It would replace the need for catalog courses such as ACLS every two years. It would cost the township approx. \$3,000 to offer the courses at the Bloom Twp. Fire Department. Courses could be repeated when needed and courses can be chosen for individual needs as well as for certification requirements. He said it would be easy to use to keep certification cards current under this system. The trustees request this item be put on the next meeting agenda for approval.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Chief Terry Gill

- Gill presented the trustees with a proposal to purchase a Medic Vehicle from Upper Arlington for the box for \$10,000 and purchase extended cab International Chassis for \$68,000 and then to Lifestar Rescue to mount the medic box on a new chassis. \$55,000 would be worst case scenario. Approximate total would be \$133,000. New units ordered in Central Ohio have all been in the \$200K ballpark. Moore said at the next meeting she will have the appropriations and could move \$133K into Motor Vehicle line. The trustees requested \$210K appropriated to the Motor Vehicle line in case it would be needed.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: by Fiscal Officer Carol Moore

- **Motion** by Smith, second by Petty to approve minutes of regular meeting held 12/12/07 and special meeting held 12/12/07. Motion carried 3-0.
 - **Motion** by Petty, second by Smith to hire Mark Fishel of Downes, Hurst & Fishel for legal counsel for union contract negotiations at a rate of 160/hour retroactive to December 1, 2007. Motion carried 3-0.
 - **RESOLUTION #29-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES** that the DEC 31, 2008 pay date be changed to JAN 2, 2009 in order to achieve 26 pay periods in both 2008 and 2009. Motion by Petty, second by Smith. ROLL CALL: Petty – yes; Smith – yes; Randles – yes. Resolution adopted 3-0.
 - **Motion** by Smith, second by Petty to approve supplemental within fund transfer of \$3,000 from 1000-110-122 F.O. Staff to 1000-110-111 Trustee Salaries to meet year end expenses. Motion by Smith, second by Petty. Motion carried 3-0.
 - **Motion** by Petty, second by Smith to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$35,000.30 and Payroll/ charges in the amount of \$56,440.86 having been certified by the fiscal officer that funds are available. Motion carried 3-0.
 - **Motion** by Petty, second by Smith to set the 2008 Organization Meeting at 7:00 p.m. followed by a regular business meeting on JAN 9, 2008. Motion carried 3-0.
 - **Motion** by Petty, second by Smith to adopt resolutions numbered 30-07 through 36-07:
- RESOLUTION #30-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES** that the trustees and fiscal officer be paid the maximum salary allowed by the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) for FY08.

RESOLUTION #31-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the purchase of Health benefits for newly re-elected officials: Trustee Joseph E. Smith and Fiscal Officer Carol J. Moore to be commensurate with their term of office is approved.

RESOLUTION #32-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the mileage reimbursement rate continues to be the same as the Standard Mileage Rates set by the IRS. (NOTE: Current rate is set at 50.5 cents per mile for business miles driven beginning 1-1-08.)

RESOLUTION #33-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the fiscal officer is authorized to close out the year, do FY08 appropriations and present them to the trustees for approval at the next regular meeting so that bills can be paid at that meeting.

RESOLUTION #34-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the fiscal officer is authorized to do supplemental appropriations between meetings for subsequent approval by the trustees at the following meeting for FY08.

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RESOLUTION #35-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the fiscal officer is authorized to create Super Blanket Certificates for a period of up to one year for FY08.

RESOLUTION #36-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the Fiscal Officer is authorized to request advanced draws on taxes during FY08.

ROLL CALL: Petty – yes; Smith – yes; Randles – yes. Resolutions numbered 30-07 through 36-07 adopted 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Annual election of Board Members to VFFDF Board to serve a one year term commencing on JAN 1, 2008. Elect two trustees.

Motion by Smith, second by Petty to keep the board the same as before. Motion carried 3-0.

ZONING & BOARD OFFICE REPORT: by Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Admin & B/Z Admin.

- 2007 NEW HOME permit results: Cyphert reported New Residence permits for 2007 were drastically down. She said only 21 New Residence permits were issued this year which is down 54% from 2006.
- Cyphert requested the trustees amend zoning permit fees as discussed at the previous meeting.

RESOLUTION #37-07: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the following zoning permit fees are amended effective 1/1/08 as follows:

RESIDENTIAL ADDITIONS: \$500

ACCESSORY BUILDINGS: \$150

BZA HEARINGS FOR CU, VARIANCE, APPEAL: \$350

RENEWAL OF CONDITIONAL USE: \$50 ANNUALLY

Motion by Smith, second by Petty. ROLL CALL: Petty – yes; Smith – yes; Randles – yes. Resolution adopted 3-0.

- Insurance update: Cyphert reported she met with Sean Sprouse of Burnham and Flower last week and signed all of the final paperwork for the health insurance changes. She hopes new cards will be mailed out within the next few weeks. She said Sprouse believes our group number will not change so that will hopefully make an easy transition into the new year.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Road Supervisor Randy Solt

- Solt reported he and Smith met with representatives of the County Engineer's Office on DEC 24th regarding the needs for the Kauffman Road project. He said the trustees need to approve some resolutions. Expanded dirt removal may increase costs. Smith and Solt said the resolutions will be obtained from Jeff Baird and presented at the next meeting. The county will be responsible for advertising for bids.

There is still discussion regarding compensating the Brooks residents for removal of a barn. Township attorney Jerrold Schwarz will be asked to contact the engineer's office regarding that project.

Solt said the board of trustees should meet with Northeast Gas Company regarding the project and lines that will need to be moved. Solt will meet with Cyphert Wednesday morning to draft a letter to the company. We need to have the gas lines moved by March 31, 2008 or hold the gas company responsible for any down time once the project commences.

Smith said a gas certified plumber should be contracted with to be "on call" in case of an emergency during the project. Jeff Baird had supplied the name of Nixon Plumbing as Gas Certified.

OTHER:

- Randles said the trustees need to decide what they are going to do about the JEDD. Cyphert said all the documentation received concerning the proposed JEDD has been put in the trustees' mail bins as it is received. Randles suggested the trustees read the documentation before the next meeting. Discussion of the JEDD will be put on the next meeting agenda.
- Cyphert will be meeting with a representative from AT&T Wednesday morning and will update the trustees at the next meeting. Randles requested to sit in at their meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Randles adjourned the meeting.

Brian E. Randles
Chair

Carol J. Moore
Fiscal Officer