

<BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING 02-27-08>

Joseph Smith, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30. Members present were Trustees Smith, David Petty, Brian Randles, and Fiscal Officer Carol Moore. Also present were Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Admin.& B/Z Administrator, and board legal counsel John Albers.

Smith 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:

John Albers, counsel for the township answered questions regarding the proposed JEDD. The trustees, fiscal officer, and board administrator reviewed the proposed JEDD contract with Albers.

Discussion of parts of the agreement that the trustees might want changed or cleaned up after the Public Hearing and before the contract is signed if the trustees decide to join the JEDD.

Discussion of timeline for formation of a JEDD: First the draft of the proposed JEDD agreement and a few other things are sent to the county commissioners. Then public notice is sent out that a Public Hearing will be held. Hold the Public hearing and get public input. Then the entities can sit down and hash out changes and modifications to the agreement. Changes to the agreement can be made as long as the trustees have not passed the resolution authorizing the execution of the JEDD agreement. He said the whole point of the public hearing is to get input from the public that may lead to changes in the contract. After the final contract is finished and signed, it is sent to the county commissioners for their approval which they pretty much have to. Then all the documents are sent to the Ohio Department of Development to finish off the process.

Albers said the trustees will always have the right to veto adding any piece of property to the JEDD both initially or added in the future. This applies to any property anywhere in the JEDD area, not just in our own township.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: by Carol Moore

- **Motion** by Randles, second by Petty to approve minutes of the regular meeting held 2/12/08 and special meeting held 2/20/08. Motion carried 3-0.
- **Motion** by Petty, second by Randles to approve ACS Government Systems, Inc. invoice of \$815.00 for the annual service contract for Firehouse Software and ICL Performance Products LP invoices of \$744.66 & \$754.75 (total \$1499.41) for two 55 gallon drums of foam. Motion carried 3-0
- **Motion** by Randles, second by Petty to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$79,096.83 and Payroll/ charges in the amount of \$89,617.14 having been certified by the Fiscal Officer that funds are available. Motion carried 3-0
- **Correspondence and Announcements**
 - Received and distributed Rockies Express Pipeline Company Agricultural Impact Mitigation Agreement regarding agricultural land.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Randles discussed the Health District Advisory Council meeting: It will be held next Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the County Courthouse. The chair or his designee can attend. The ground water protection program will be discussed. Smith stated they should address running a levy and let the people decide instead of assessing fees. Petty said he made that suggestion to the health board 3 or 4 years ago and offered to help run a levy but he was never called. All three trustees plan to attend.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Basement water problem: Solt said he has not had time to review the problem. He also said he does not have a copy of the quotes. Moore will provide a copy of quotes.
- Petty reported the EMA is working on installing more tornado sirens. At least one more is coming to Bloom Twp. Our only expense is the actual hookup. When the projects are completed, the entire township should be covered.

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

- Insurance report: Cyphert reported there continues to be billing problems in the transition of our insurance agents. She will continue to work out these issues as they are identified.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Chief Terry Gill:

- Update on new medic. GM has run into production problems and has oversold for 2009. Gill said there is no rush at this point. He said he has been working with all four major manufacturers to review their vehicles.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Road Supervisor Randy Solt

- AT&T permit request: Solt said one is revised for Amanda Northern and Winchester Road. Another one is on Amanda Northern at Alspach.

Motion by Randles, second by Petty to approve both AT&T permit applications on file. Motion carried 3-0

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- Solt said Cyphert composed a letter for him regarding the Kauffman Road residents who may want tree wood resulting from the OPWC project. He will deliver the letter to the residents.
- Smith asked Solt to call Jeff Baird of the county engineer's office. He said Baird would like Solt and a trustee to drive the proposed 2nd phase roads of the OPWC grant. Moore said she had faxed the resolution requesting to begin the 2nd phase of the Kauffman Road project with the addition of Brandt Road.

OTHER: None

ADJOURNMENT

Smith adjourned the meeting.

Joseph E. Smith
Chair

Carol J. Moore
Fiscal Officer