

<BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING 03-26-08>

Joseph Smith, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.. Members present were Trustees Smith, David Petty, Brian Randles, and Fiscal Officer Carol Moore. Also present were members of I.A.F.F. Local 3465.

Motion by Randles, second by Petty to enter into executive session for the purpose of firefighter contract negotiations and other personnel salary issues. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Randles, second by Petty to come out of executive session for the purpose of firefighter contract negotiations and other personnel salary issues. Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was joined by Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Admin. & B/Z Administrator; Fire Chief Terry Gill; Road Supervisor Randy Solt, and several interested citizens.

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 COMMENTS: None

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: by Carol Moore

- **Motion** by Randles, second by Petty to approve minutes of the regular meeting held MAR 13, 2008. Motion carried 3-0.
- **Motion** by Petty second by Randles to approve Water Invoice of \$807.35 for parts to rebuild pump relief valve on E-553. Motion carried 3-0.
- **Motion** by Petty, second by Randles to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$36,112.98 and Payroll/ charges in the amount of \$77,456.40 having been certified by the Fiscal Officer that funds are available. Motion carried 3-0.
- Moore said the following two resolutions provided by the county engineer's office need to be adopted by the trustees regarding the Kauffman Road OPWC project.

RESOLUTION #11-08: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the resolution provided by the Fairfield County Engineers' Office is adopted and signed by the Bloom Township Trustees authorizing the Contract with The Shelly Company for the FAI-TR205-0.287 Kauffman Road Rehabilitation Project.

AND

RESOLUTION #12-08: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the resolution provided by the Fairfield County Engineer's Office is adopted and signed by the Bloom Twp Trustees authorizing the Bloom Township Board Chair to sign the required NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT for the FAI-TR205-0.287 Kauffman Road Rehabilitation Project.

Motion Petty, second by Randles to adopt resolutions 11-08 and 12-08. ROLL CALL: Petty – yes; Randles – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution adopted 3-0. Complete resolutions on file in the office of the Fiscal Officer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS

- Next County Trustee/Fiscal Officers meeting will be at Richland Township on July 12' Time TBD. The quarterly meeting scheduled for MAR 8 was canceled due to heavy snow.
- Citizen email of complaint received MAR 17, 2008, regarding OPWC Kauffman Rd project.
- Letter from Travis Markwood, President, Lancaster/Fairfield Co. chamber of Commerce containing a Resolution approved 3/25/08 by that organization's Board of Directors regarding the proposed 33 corridor JEDD.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Marlo Mills issue: Randles said Mills saw him at the school and told him about a site distance issue at his residence at his driveway. The road was paved last year. Mills' wife cannot see coming out of her driveway. The township cannot legally post a sign for a private driveway. Smith said if the legislature approves townships being able to reduce speed then we can act; it cannot be reduced at this time.
- Bay trash issue: Smith asked what could be done to help prevent illegal trash dumping at Bays IGA. Cyphert explained this is a private property issue and she had informed Mr. Bay about how he can use county resources to help.
- **Motion** by Petty, second by Randles to pay a one time bonus of \$150 to each full-time Road Department worker for all their work in the recent snow storm. Motion carried 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Basement water problem. Cyphert presented an addendum to an earlier quote from Keller Company that would address the mold. Petty suggested exterior excavating. The issue was discussed with Solt. Rick Althaus who also submitted a quote was present and said running a new drain pipe will not be deep enough and an outside lift station would be needed to take the water out. The trustees will go downstairs towards the end of the meeting to view the problem.

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Smith or Randles will meet with Keller to get a better idea of what he is proposing to do to fix the problem.

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

Motion by Randles, second by Petty to approve **Resolution #13-08** regarding Sexually Oriented businesses. ROLL CALL: Petty – yes; Randles – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution adopted 3-0. Resolution is on file in the office of the Fiscal Officer.

- Update on Schumacher nuisance issue: Matter has been referred to prosecutor. Cyphert will also be meeting with representatives from the health department to view the property.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Chief Terry Gill

- **Motion** by Petty, second by Randles to approve \$2,905 for Heart Monitor updates to be paid from the EMS Grant. Motion carried 3-0.
- Discussion on OOC/Promotional testing to develop a list of candidates: \$2500 is the cost for assessment of seven people. **Motion** by Petty, second by Randles to approve the expense to be paid from the training fund. Motion carried 3-0.
- Gill said in the 5 year plan had several capital improvements for Station 551. Completed so far is the new roof, new windows and insulation. The last big project is to remodel the kitchen which needs commercial grade cabinets, new flooring, all new cabinets and counter tops. He presented various proposals for the remodeling. Premier Garage is proposing to do the work for approximately \$11,000 and includes the flooring, cabinets and counter tops which is the quote the Fire Dept prefers.
- Tornado Sirens are functioning well. Plans for future installations are proceeding accordingly. Petty updated the trustees on the Debris Management Plan for the county.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Road Supervisor Randy Solt

- Discussion of salt usage. Moore said the approved contract is for 800 tons and we can purchase up to 150 percent on the contract. Solt said we will be at 1,050 tons when he orders more salt. He said Lithopolis will begin to store their own salt.
- Discussion of new truck purchase: Solt presented a quote and specs on a 2009 Int plow truck. He said the State Contract runs out MAR 31, extended from MAR 1. A new KT will be in place about July.

Petty said he spoke with Road Dept. and asked how the money should best be spent. Solt said trucks have a lot of miles and that he has tried to maintain the well so they will last. He said he will put four trucks on the road next year. Backhoe and mowers also needed. Smith stated the 4th truck needs to be ready to go next year if we have a bad winter storm. Solt said that particular truck is named Truck #2 (1990) with a manual transmission that is difficult to drive and will be a back-up truck. It is used for berming in summer months. The hoe is a 2000 but hours not known. Smith said the road workers would rather have two enclosed cab mowers for the roads. Solt will look into it. The trustees asked him to review his equipment needs. The trustees discussed building a storage facility because we have equipment stored all over the township. Smith said we need to get an idea of the size and cost of a building. Randles will call some people he knows about giving an estimate for a storage facility.

- Kauffman Road wood list: Solt provided a list of those residents who have said they want to keep the wood from the trees to be cut down for the road project.
- Dead end of Sitterley Road: Solt will meet with Jerrold Schwarz, legal counsel, to view the drainage and road issues. New housing development issues need to be looked at with Schwarz.
- Cyphert asked Solt if all of the personnel in his department were given copies of personnel policies. He said yes. She requested they initial each page indicating they have seen it and return to this office for the personnel files. Solt agreed.
- Weight limit signs: They usually come down around the middle of April.

OTHER:

- The meeting moved to the basement of the Greencastle Office building for all to view the water and mold problem and to discuss possible solutions. Discussion of quotes already received and additional information needed. No decisions were made. All agreed something needs to be done soon to remedy the worsening water damage.

ADJOURNMENT

Smith adjourned the meeting.