

## **BLOOM TWP. BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 01/22/20**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Jason Smith, Chair. Other members present were Carol Moore, Brian Randles, Fiscal Officer David Cyphert, department supervisors, and interested citizens. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and we paused for a moment of silence to remember our military serving around the world.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS:**

- Recognition of Chief Terry Gill's retirement and issuance of proclamation. Board Administrator Anne Cyphert read the proclamation and presented a plaque to Chief Terry Gill who is retiring JAN 31, 2020, after 29 years of faithful service to Bloom Township, the Village of Lithopolis and the surrounding community. All wished the chief well in his retirement. He will be missed.

### **FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: by David Cyphert, Fiscal Officer**

- Motion by Randles, second by Moore to approve the minutes of the 01/08/2020 meeting. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Moore, second by Randles to approve payments of \$17,570.97 and charges of \$91,177.13. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve mileage of our township roads as presented by the Fairfield County Engineer's Office. Motion carried 3-0.

### **TRUSTEE'S REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- Jason Smith told the board the US Census Bureau wanted reviewed: Motion by Moore, second by Randles to approve Bloom Township Boundary map submitted by the US Census Bureau. Motion carried 3-0.

The Fairfield County Engineer made an engineering and traffic investigation upon a section of Coonpath Road and determined that the statutory vehicular speed limit established by Section 4511021, Revised Code of Ohio is greater than that considered reasonable and safe on Coonpath Road (Twp. Rd 198) beginning at Amanda Northern Road and ending 0.43 miles east at the dead end.)

**RESOLUTION 07-20:** Motion by Randles, second by Moore to adopt the resolution lowering the vehicular speed limit from 55 mph to 35 mph on Coonpath Road beginning at Amanda Northern Road and ending 0.43 miles east at the dead end.

Roll Call: Moore: yes          Randles: yes          Smith: yes          Resolution approved 3-0.  
Two copies of the resolution will be provided to the county engineer's office.

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: by Anne Darling-Cyphert, Administrator**

- Former email addresses will be closed soon and township email addresses will only be used on township email accounts.
- Sexual harassment training will be coming this spring. All employees, part-time and full-time, and elected officials will all be required to take part.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT: by Terry Gill, Chief and Lt. Thomas Williams**

- Monthly reports were distributed
- Tornado Siren in Lithopolis was out of service due to power being disconnected by the Village. A federal grant will be explored in spring with assistance from EMA. Twp. should contact EMA around the first of April 2020. The Board Administrator verified it did go off today.
- Motion by Moore, second by Randles to approve the Howell Rescue invoice in the amount of \$999 for the annual inspection/repairs of the hydraulic rescue tools. Motion carried 3-0.

- Motion by Randles, second by Moore to make the following Self Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment “surplus” to be donated to Hocking College.  
Motion carried 3-0.  
15 – harnesses including regulators  
30 – 4500 PSI, 45 minute bottles  
30 – face pieces  
30 – voice amplifiers
- Personnel update: Lt. Williams updated the board about staffing status. Full-time is at full manning.
- Motion to approve Bailey Butler and Joe Donovan as part-time fire personnel effective 01-22-2020.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT: by Steve Green, Supervisor**

2020 Road Projects were discussed. A list was provided to the trustees for future consideration:

- Get Crack Sealing done on various roads within Bloom Twp. (Minimal compared to past years. In particular a few developments)
- Possible berming to be done on various roads.
- New pipe work to be performed which has already been engineered through the Fairfield County for West Bowling Green at (Duckworth) property.
- Approximately 5 small size pipe jobs to be done in various spots within Bloom Twp.
- Get with County Engineers to see if and when Hydraulic Study for Kauffman Road pipe at the Boursma property due to drainage issues.
- Sitterley Road hill shaving project to be engineered by the County as well for site distance issue on Sitterley Road just north of Miller Ave.
- Tree work to be performed at Administration building. Also will need to remove a few trees on a couple of the township roads.
- Discussion of possible ditch line work on Coonpath road (south side) between 6345 and 6449 addresses. (3 properties involved with this particular project.)
- Would like to get OPWC grant money to replace bad pipes. Township would have to pay the engineering firm up front for the work; however, that fee would come off of the total cost of the project. We would be responsible for 26% of the total cost. (FYI Eric McCrady and Jerimiah Upp will be meeting on this to see if process can be expedited and approved to be done "2020" season)
- Administrative parking lot is in need of chip sealing; as it is currently in bad shape.
- Once the Sitterley Road hill shaving project is done then going ahead and Paving /Berming /Striping Sitterley road (approx. 7 tenths of a mile) from Miller Ave. to Salem Church Road which is the only section of Sitterley Road besides the far south end to be paved. (South end of Sitterley Road is motor paved so will not be needing addressed at this time)
- Getting a quote on oil leak on Ford shop truck (red) from Bader Truck repair.
- Ford truck also has a shelving that has broken which caused the generator to slide down and the wiring has been disrupted because of it, which prevents it from working. This work may have to be done by Ace Trucking and Body since this is where the truck was put together.
- Green requesting New Dump Truck to replace the Number 1 "1997" dump truck. Would still want to keep the 1997 dump truck to be used as a spare. F.O. Cyphert said this was not included in this year's budget and reminded him that budget requests are due in June every year. Discussion of issue to be continued.

**ADJOURN:** The chair adjourned the meeting.

Minutes Certified by:

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David Cyphert, Fiscal Officer

Date: