

BLOOM TWP. BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 01/23/19 and SPECIAL MEETING 02-11-19

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

Brian Randles, Chair, called the meeting to order. Members present were Trustees Carol Moore, Brian Randles, Jason Smith; and Fiscal Officer David Cyphert. A department supervisor was also present.

Motion by Moore, second by Randles to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION: to meet with legal counsel for: Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment; Motion carried 3-0.

Following the executive session, the chair declared the regular order of business to continue with department supervisors present and members of the public.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT by David L. Cyphert, Fiscal Officer

-Motion by Smith second by Moore to receive and file the minutes of the 1-9-2019 meetings. Motion carried 3-0.

-Motion by Moore second by Smith to approve the payments in the amount of \$55,601.37 and charges in the amount of \$64,591.30. Motion carried 3-0.

-Fiscal Officer Cyphert reported on maintenance issues at Administrative Office Building: Two furnace issues plus well pump issue. Moore said it is good to have an engineer as the fiscal officer who is working on our building.

TRUSTEE'S REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS:

-Motion by Smith, second by Moore to amend Resolution 01-19 to state: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TWP. BOARD OF TRUSTEES that the meeting dates for 2019 are set as: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:00 p.m. with agenda review and check signing at 5:45 p.m. at 8490 Lithopolis Road in Bloom Twp. Occasionally, meeting dates will change to accommodate various scheduling conflicts and every effort will be made to ensure we have all trustees present. When this occurs, the change will be posted on the township website and at the administrative office building, in addition to sending notice to any news media requesting it. Special meetings will be held as called by the Chair of the Trustees or Fiscal Officer with a minimum of 24 hours notice to the news media that requests it, plus posted on the township website. Emergency meetings called by the Chair or Fiscal Officer to be held if necessary. Meetings will be held at 8490 Lithopolis Road in Greencastle unless otherwise announced at the administration building.

ROLL CALL: Moore: yes Randles: yes Smith: yes. Resolution carried 3-0.

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

-A property owner in Bloom Township is planning to build a winery under agricultural exemption on the corner of Marcy Road and 674.

-Discussion of possible zoning amendment: She would like to consider amending the zoning to allow home occupations as an accessory use in outbuildings. This was brought to her attention by an insurance agent recently who was inquiring if he was allowed to conduct his very small business in his outbuilding. The way the zoning reads now, it would not qualify for usage in an outbuilding. It would need to be clearly stated in an amendment to allow the use as long as the small businesses do not interfere with the intended use of a residential neighborhood.

-Parking lot security: Video Surveillance signs will be posted due to safety concerns of illegal activity.

-Lithopolis variance and report on lunch with the mayor: She had an excellent luncheon meeting with Mayor Joe Taylor who updated her on projects in the village. The widening of Market Street was discussed and the mayor is hopeful a developer will pay for the widening and sidewalks. Annexation is possible and she and the mayor plan to work together for the benefit of both government entities. The village held a variance hearing to allow parking changes at the new brewery opening up next to The Pump House.

-Motion by Moore second by Smith to retain the services of Bricker and Eckler for providing services for the future road storage barn and to authorize Anne Darling Cyphert, Legal Liaison, to sign the agreement for services with Bricker and Eckler. Motion carried 3-0.

-Update on Insurance Lawsuit: She met with Paul Lafayette yesterday about the lawsuit while on business at the office for a different meeting. He has been successful in reducing the payment for the deficit that all of the governmental entities will be splitting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Terry Gill, Chief

-Station 552 Update: tweaks made and no present problems.

-MARCS radio grant awarded through the county to township fire departments in the county. Bloom to receive \$49,972.

-Motion by Smith, second by Moore to appoint Tyler Carter and Jack Ferguson to a 12 month probationary period effective 1/23/19 as part time personnel with required documentation presented to the Chief according to Ohio Law effective 1/23/19. Motion carried 3-0.

-Motion by Smith second by Moore to approve the purchase of 2019 McCoy-Miller F450 Ford Medic unit 4x4 at the cost \$184,610 coming from the State of Ohio Procurement program, Contract # 800468 from Burgess Ambulance Sales, Inc. to be paid from existing funds saved for this project from the Fire Apparatus Capital Fund. Motion carried 3-0.

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-The trustees received a copy of a positive Facebook post regarding the firefighters providing assistance to someone with a flat tire.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Steve Green, Supervisor

-Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve quote from Tru-Quality Services LLC for spraying for vegetation control, in the amount of \$1,369.00. Motion carried 3-0.

-Discussion of placing old twp equipment on auction site: Includes 2 box spreaders/ asphalt roller/ water tank and sprayer / what to do with new plow which we still have from burnt up truck. If it can be put on there as well. He doesn't think it will interchange with our present vehicles.

-Discussion he had with Road Dept. staff wanting to just get allowance for work clothes: The Fiscal Officer and Trustees instructed him to cancel Cintas contract and meet with Chief Gill who will assist him in ordering the uniforms for the Road Department.

-Discussion of the tree removal quote: We have 3 quotes: Russell tree care, A and M Fast Tree Company, and Arbaugh Tree Service. Smith said there are no grants available for the tree removal. Moore explained the force account form needs to be signed by the county per Eric McCrady's guidance. Green will complete the form and submit. More documentation is needed for the project. Quote must state what road(s) need to be closed and for how long. Also quote must state date project is to be completed.

-The new MAC truck snow plow cutting edge has worn out and will be replaced with a sturdier blade. F.O. asked what can be done to prolong the life of the new blade. Discussion of installation adjustments etc.

-Motion by Smith, second by Moore to approve the purchase of a new snow plow cutting edge from the Fairfield County Engineer's Office in the amount of \$1559.90. Motion carried 3-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual.

ADJOURN: Following the executive session, the chair adjourned the meeting.

Minutes Certified by

David L. Cyphert, Fiscal Officer

Date:

2/11/19 SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE

Brian Randles, Chair called the special meeting to order for the purpose of discussion of employment matters of public employees, compensation of public employees, and Collective Bargaining Matters with the management's attorney. Members present were Trustees Carol Moore, Brian Randles, Jason Smith, and Fiscal Officer David Cyphert. Also present were members of IAFF Local 3465.

The Board Administrator informed everyone that per the request of the trustees, food will be delivered around 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Smith, second by Moore to enter into executive session for the purpose of: to discuss employment matters of public employees, compensation of public employees, and Collective Bargaining Matters. Motion carried 3-0.

Chair declared we are out of executive session.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to set Thursday, February 14, 2019, 8:30 am for a special meeting to discuss employment matters of public employees, compensation of public employees, and Collective Bargaining Matters. Motion carried 3-0.

The chair adjourned the meeting.

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Date: