

BLOOM TWP. BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES 02/12/20

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:

- Paul Bender, 5490 Lithopolis-Winchester Road: Concerned about annexation from the Village of Lithopolis. He wants to make sure the growth is controlled. We offered to have the Prosecutor's Office talk at a future meeting about annexation law.
- MORPC (planning agency for central Ohio): presentation from Mike Borger, Principal Planner, on the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. He explained MORPC's regional transportation priorities. Because demographics are changing, transportation systems are changing and we must stay on top of it for planning for the future. April 3 is a MORPC meeting regarding the long range vision. The board was very appreciative for his presentation.

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

- Motion by Randles, second by Moore to approve the Minutes of 1/22/20 meeting. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Moore, second by Randles to approve payments of \$58,958.70 and charges of \$156,086.30. Motion carried 3-0.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- Moore: Fairfield County Community Action and Litter Prevention report: New director Jennifer Kolometz. Plans in the works to purchase new collection units to improve efficiency, 97 new dumpsters planned. County has 27 collection sites. Installation of cameras planned to monitor sites for pick-up needs and to record illegal dumping.
- Smith: DAC meeting report: DAC, submitted a preliminary budget for 2021. It was noted that there were no cost cutting measures into the budget and the DAC stated that State officials keep piling on regulations, and other responsibilities that they are required to do and that they do not provide any additional funding to achieve all extra work. We have a reduction in our expenses by \$1200.00 for 2020, current allocation is \$52,484.48. 2021 allocation \$51,224.82. DAC is continuing to look into running a levy. DAC noted that accreditation statutes have cost thus far \$271,514.38 and will be applying for accreditation this year. All health departments in the State of Ohio are required to achieve accreditation status. DAC will provide more information requested showing a breakdown in services provided per each government entity at the next meeting. DAC is hosting a Feedback/Discussion forum on establishing an Operation and Maintenance program on Feb. 13 from 9 to noon at the Dept. of Health Conference room. DAC stated the Fairfield Department of Health is also hosting, in the Conference room, a Q and A session on Feb. 19 from 1-7 to answer any questions and to learn about services provided. Disposal weekend will be held in March. Details forthcoming.

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

- OTA conference update: She attended several workshops including The Importance of Hiring a Credentialed Fire Chief, Cemetery Liability, and Health Insurance/Union Negotiations.
- Former Snyder's Flowers building: it has been purchased (10540 Lithopolis Road). Immediate plans are to use it as a residence but the owner may eventually change that. If that occurs, she will need to recuse herself because she owns property within 500 feet of it.
- Dept. of Commerce Building Inspections can be contracted out.
- Update from OFC Association on Fire Chief Search: Candidates to Assessment Center Feb. 21.
- Discussion of Policy for Road Dept. Contact Info. suggested policy language: "Employees are subject to being contacted in case of necessity during their off-duty time. They shall at all times maintain a telephone number where they can normally be contacted, and shall be sure that the number of such telephone is known to their immediate supervisor, elected official and administrative office." No action was taken.
- Exploring Advisory Committee for Planning and Zoning

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FIRE DEPARTMENT: by Lt. Thomas Williams

- Officers are being mentored on payroll and bills.
- Ethics training report(s) were provided. Training has taken place and more are coming. This is required for ISO.
- Run reports were distributed.
- Change Healthcare Reports
- Review OTA conference: His conferences were directly related to his current duties and the information was very valuable.
- Target Solutions bill will be coming later this month.
- EMS Grant reimbursement checks: \$550 and \$1625.
- Motion by Randles, second by Moore to sign and approve Pickaway County contract (Madison Twp.).
Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Moore, second by Randles to approve payment to Carroll Truck and Auto \$3207.49 for fuel tank repair on 2009 Pierce Impel. Engine is repaired and back in service.
Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Randles, second by Moore to approve payment to Rite-Way Industrial Service, Inc. \$1805.00 for Station 552 pumping of contaminated water holding tank.
Motion carried 3-0.
- Lt. Cipparrone was named Firefighter of the Year by his peers at our fire dept. Everyone expressed their congratulations to him.
- Repairs to M551: There was a squealing noise and one of the firefighters was able to make the repairs. There is improvement but the noise is still there so the repair person will be contacted.

ROAD DEPARTMENT: by Steve Green, Supervisor

Steve was absent from the meeting but requested via writing approval of a special meeting noted below.

- Motion by Randles, second by Moore to approve Special Meeting March 19, at 8:00 a.m. The meeting will be called to order at the County Engineer's Office for the elected officials, staff, and members of the public will attend a meeting at the County Engineer's Office to discuss our summer road projects. Motion carried 3-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Moore, second by Randles to enter into executive session for the purpose of hiring personnel and salary of personnel.

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

Minutes Certified by:



David Cyphert, Fiscal Officer

Date: 6-25-20