

BLOOM TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES 02-23-23

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Brian Randles, chair. Members present were Trustees: Carol Moore, Randles, and Jason Smith. Fiscal Officer Holly Mattei, Administrator Anne Darling Cyphert, Fire Chief Thomas Williams, and Road Supervisor Steve Green were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and we paused for a moment of silence in honor of our military serving around the world.

FISCAL OFFICE REPORT: by Holly Mattei

- Motion by Smith, second by Moore to receive and file the minutes of the 2/9, 2/16 and 2/18 meetings. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve payments of \$84,184.24 and charges of \$78,891.27. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Smith, second by Moore to approve a MORPC summer intern at a rate of \$13.50 per hour not to exceed \$3,750. Motion carried 3-0.
- The month of January has been reconciled.
- Motion by Moore, second by Smith to transfer \$2,036 from 2273-220-190-0000 to the following line items: \$1,920 to line item 2273-220-215-0000 OP&F, \$116 to line item 2273-220-213-0000 Medicare. These are to cover the employer portion of the Fire Chief's premium pay. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Smith, second by Moore to send the 2022 Bloom Township ODOT mileage certification to the County Engineer. Motion carried 3-0.
- Shelly Company wants us to pay \$935.50 for their work requiring extra materials at the safety/service complex. Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve payment of \$935/50 to Shelly Company contingent upon an invoice being submitted to the Fiscal Officer. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve adding Fire Chief Thomas Williams as a signer for Menards, Home Depot and Uline. Motion carried 3-0.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: by Anne Cyphert

- Collegeview Zoning Complaints: Numerous Collegeview residents have filed complaints regarding a home at 7618 Ohio Northern. Subdivision residents who don't live near the property complain because the gutter is falling down. They are also complaining about a different residence that is growing bamboo. She is declining issuing violations because there is not anything in the zoning resolution that addresses these issues. She has repeatedly told the property owners' association, CAPOA, that the prosecutor's office wants the association to file their complaints in civil court rather than criminal court.
- Explanation of next steps for Zoning Amendments: Public hearing will be held March 9 at 5:30pm. If approved and no referendum is filed, the zoning amendments will take effect on April 9.
- **RESOLUTION #10-22: A Resolution to Allow Weight Reductions on Township Roads for 2022.**

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code, Section 5577.07 provides for the reduction of the weight limits when thaws or excessive moisture render roads insufficient to bear normal traffic, and

WHEREAS, the Bloom Township Road Supervisor is requesting this Board of Trustees to authorize the Road Department to post weight reduction signs for the maximum allowable

weight reduction of 50% weight limit, effective immediately, on the township roads deemed necessary by the said Road Supervisor, and

WHEREAS, the Road Supervisor recognizes that the reduction of weight limits on Township Roads is also advisable and requests the Board of Trustees to authorize the Road Supervisor to post maximum allowable 50% weight reduction signs, effective immediately on all Township Roads deemed necessary by said Township Board.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BLOOM TWP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, COUNTY OF FAILFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1: that effective immediately, this Board of Trustees resolves to, and does hereby, authorize signs to be posted for the maximum allowable weight reduction of 50% on the Township Roads deemed necessary by the Road Department Supervisor, until the announced time when damage to roads from freezing and thawing is no longer a problem, as determined by the Road Department Supervisor

SECTION 2: that this Board of Trustees resolves to, and does hereby, authorize signs to be posted for the maximum allowable weight reduction of 50% on all Township Roads deemed necessary by said Township Board, effective immediately, until the announced time when damage to roads from freezing and thawing is no longer a problem, as determined by the Road Department Supervisor.

Motion by Smith, second by Moore

ROLL: Moore: yes Randles: yes Smith: yes

Resolution Approved 3-0.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: by Thomas Williams

- Motion by Moore, second by Smith to pay Target Solutions \$3826.10 for Target Solutions annual training membership. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Smith, second by Moore to order ESO software at \$4435.00 (\$1545 of which, paid from training line), Motion carried 3-0.
- BTFFA Vice-President Bill Cipparrone will provide an update on fish fry via email.
- Reminder of radios for new medic at \$5642.06 with ARP funds once resolution is approved. Awaiting guidance/resolution from county prosecutor's office.
- Reminder of Stryker loading system for new medic at \$25,085.82 with ARP funds once resolution is approved.
- Stryker service contract \$18,535.78 for a 3-yr contract. Awaiting resolution for ARP funds.
- 4-gas meters
- Medic update: all parts are in. It is being worked on right now.
- Local inspection update: A restaurant in Bloom Twp on RT 674 at Marcy has had repeated violations regarding safety hazards of their fryers. The State Fire Marshal's Office recommended shutting the business down for safety reasons. Our Fire Inspector worked with the owner who is taking measures to bring the fryers in compliance with fire codes.

ROAD SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: by Steve Green

- We have approx. 600 tons of salt yet that we can have delivered so we should be in good shape for this year. He thought we would have a lot this year but with some weird snow events, namely ice, we have used more salt than if we were getting snow only.
- New Tractor to replace 5225 flail mower tractor. (Ordered Last Spring) He talked with John Rolfe /Ag-pro Washington Courthouse. Told him that they have had a new tractor in since December but still have yet to receive the flail mowers to be mounted on the

tractor. Shipping date is still a couple weeks out for these and then flail units will be installed and tractor delivered.

- Possibility of purchasing a new tractor to replace 5525 John Deere Arm Mower. The Valve Body on the 5525 John Deere arm mower, which is the other Tractor that he would like to replace, is in bad shape, and will need to be replaced and or rebuilt if we plan on trying to limp it through another year. This, along with all the other breakdowns on this unit, is the main reason he would like to replace this tractor as well this year. Keep in mind that this is the tractor that we have had the main boom arm welded on numerous times because of Cracking in the frame of the arm. The trustees instructed him to submit proposals/prices for their review.
- Discussion about tree removal contract in the R.O.W. on various roads within Bloom Township. He provided the list of trees to the board. He anticipates it to be around \$38,000. He is in the process of obtaining vendor quotes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Moore, second by Smith to enter into Executive Session to discuss union negotiations. Motion carried 3-0. After the Executive Session, the chair adjourned the meeting.

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:

2/28/22:

The special meeting was called to order by Mr. Brian Randles, Chair. Members present were Trustees Carol Moore and Jason Smith; Administrator Anne Cyphert; Fiscal Officer Holly Mattie,

Attorney Stacy Pollock, and members of the Bloom Township Firefighters Union. The purpose of the meeting was to enter into executive session to discuss compensation and union negotiations. Motion by Moore, second by Smith to enter into Executive Session to discuss compensation and union negotiations. Motion carried 3-0.

Following the Executive Session, the chair adjourned the meeting.

Holly Mattei, Fiscal Officer

Date

3/4/22:

The special meeting was called to order by Mr. Brian Randles, Chair. Members present were Trustees Carol Moore and Jason Smith; Administrator Anne Cyphert; Fiscal Officer Holly Mattie, Attorney Stacy Pollock, and members of the Bloom Township Firefighters Union. The purpose of the meeting was to enter into executive session to discuss compensation and union negotiations. Motion by Smith, second by Moore to enter into Executive Session to discuss compensation and union negotiations. Motion carried 3-0.

Following the Executive Session, the chair adjourned the meeting.

Holly Mattei, Fiscal Officer

Date

3/7/22:

The special meeting was called to order by Mr. Brian Randles, Chair. Members present were Trustees Carol Moore and Jason Smith; Administrator Anne Cyphert; Fiscal Officer Holly Mattie, Attorney Stacy Pollock, and members of the Bloom Township Firefighters Union. The purpose of the meeting was to enter into executive session to discuss compensation and union negotiations and matters required to be kept confidential under state and federal law. Motion by Smith, second by Moore to enter into Executive Session to discuss compensation and union negotiations. Motion carried 3-0.

Following the Executive Session, the chair adjourned the meeting.

Holly Mattei, Fiscal Officer

Date