

BLOOM TWP. BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 04/24/19

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. Department supervisors were also present and members of the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and we paused for a moment of silence to remember our troops serving around the world.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT: by David Cyphert, Fiscal Officer

- Motion by Smith, second by Moore to receive and file the minutes of the 4/10/19 meeting. Motion carried 3-0.
- Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve payments in the amount of \$45,595.57 and charges in the amount of \$68,580.18. Motion carried 3-0.
- Report on pre-bid meeting for the Road Dept. storage barn: Meeting was held on Monday. Northrose Company was the only contractor to show for the meeting. Questions and answers were given out at the Meeting.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS:

- Carol Moore: report on Fairfield County Ohio Township Association meeting held at Berne Twp. She and Fiscal Officer Dave Cyphert attended, along with the Board Administrator. The prosecutor's office gave a very informative presentation on Open Meetings Law. Next association meeting is Saturday, Oct. 4.
- Carol Moore: Report on Collegeview Safety Issue: A resident expressed concern in a written communication to the twp about a site distance issue at the intersection of W. Bowling Green Lane turning onto Amanda Northern. Since this is a county road, Moore requested we contact the Fairfield County Engineer's Office on this issue. Motion by Moore, second by Smith to sign letter to Fairfield County Engineer's Office requesting the county investigate this area for potential re-construction of the hill near this intersection.
- The trustees signed a letter of concern that will be forwarded to Fairfield County Engineer Upp.
- Jason Smith: Discussion of tree issue: He received a complaint from an Alspach Road resident about the cutting of a tree in the right-of-way. The resident is requesting replacement of that tree and also replacement of a plant and a tree that he claims were sprayed decades ago by the twp. The twp will seek a legal opinion on this issue.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: by Anne Darling-Cyphert, Board Administrator

- Report on OTARMA Risk Management Meeting: we can expect a report from KLA Risk Consultants in the near future. Thanks to Chief Gill and Steve Green for attending the meeting with her.
- Zoning Commission Public Hearing: will be held May 8 one hour prior to the Board meeting.
- Reminder of Mediation date: May 6, Meeting with Stacy at 9am, Mediation at 10am. Public notice will be posted.
- Annexation letter from the county was presented to the trustees.
- Coonpath Road zoning issue: a verbal complaint has been relayed by two households on Coonpath Road between Amanda-Northern and the dead-end portion regarding another property owner allegedly conducting a repair business without a permit. A letter has been sent to the alleged offender alerting him to the concerns.
- Savvy Citizen: Motion Moore, second Smith to approve Savvy Citizen as the township's text alert system at a cost not to exceed \$2,290 for first year of service. Motion carried 3-0.
- Newsletter: Motion by Smith, second by Moore to approve up to \$4000 for the costs of publishing, printing and mailing of newsletter. Motion carried 3-0. A proof of the newsletter will be provided by Thursday of next week in the elected officials' boxes. The trustees were requested to make comments, corrections, and additions by Sunday, May 5, after checking their boxes next week to view the proof. Motion carried 3-0.

ROAD DEPARTMENT: by Steve Green, Supervisor

- Sitterley Road hillside shaving north of Miller Ave is planned for next year.
- Striping and summer road projects: The trustees discussed possible project areas. Green will let Amanda Twp know what the estimated cost of their portion of Betz Rd. will be.
- Motion by Smith, second by Moore to hold a special meeting at 8:30 a.m. Monday, May 6 at 8490 Lithopolis Road, for the purpose of consideration of Summer Road Resurfacing Projects resolution authorizing the county to advertise for paving and striping.
- Fairfield Farms Ditch issues: cattails continue to cause ditching issues in the subdivision. Green met with a representative from the county engineer's office to review the issue.
- Kauffman Road gravel issue: Green will send the property owner a letter to correct gravel on the roadway creating a dangerous issue.
- Tree work update: Section of Slough Road, Mason Road, Brandt Road will be addressed soon. Other tree work has been substantially completed by the contractor.

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-Smith received a complaint from a Bloomwood Road resident about drainage. Smith said Steve needs to discuss other drainage issues on that road as well. Green said Soil and Water Conservation has been consulted. A pipe is planned to address the drainage.

-Engineer's Office has provided an estimate on costs on road work to be performed this summer

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Terry Gill, Chief

-A department supervisor was given a DOT random drug test form.

-He presented the Board with the recent healthcare reports.

-Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve the invoice from Carroll Truck and Auto Services, Inc., in the amount of \$7533.64, for repairs to E/R 552. Motion carried 3-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Smith, second by Moore to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing employment matters and complaints against personnel. Motion carried 3-0.

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

Minutes Certified by

David L. Cyphert, Fiscal Officer

Date: