

<BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 8/05/2010

Brian Randles, Chair, called the review session to order at 7:15 p.m. at which time trustees signed checks for payment of the bills and the agenda was discussed. Randles called the regular business meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Members present were Trustees Carol Moore, Brian Randles, Joseph Smith, and Fiscal Officer David Cyphert. Also present were Township Department Supervisors. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and we paused for a moment of silence in honor of our military.

Public Comment: Charles Schultz of Cedar Hill Road complimented the township on the nice job we did on hosting the Fairfield County Ohio Township Association meeting at Rock Mill on July 10, 2010.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

Motion by Smith, second by Moore to approve minutes of the regular meeting held July 28, 2010. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve invoice to Carroll Marathon in the amount of \$1282.13 for repair of M553. Motion carried 3-0

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$26,105.44 and charges in the amount of \$51,034.99 having been certified by the Fiscal Officer that funds are available. Motion carried 3-0.

TRUSTEE REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and OTHER COMMUNICATIONS:

Discussion regarding Open Meetings Law: Moore said Randles was concerned that if she attended the fire planning committee meeting as an observer at the same time he was there as a committee member that it would violate the Open Meetings Law. Moore said that she was confident this was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law as she has had extensive training in this area; however she had asked Mrs. Cyphert to contact legal counsel to reassure Randles. Mrs. Cyphert said she spoke with Paul Lafayette, Legal Counsel, regarding whether two trustees can attend the fire committee meetings with one being an appointed representative and another being an audience member. This is no different than a trustee attending another event such as the DAC meeting as an observer, not as a participant. Lafayette said it would not have been a problem for Moore to have attended the meeting last night as an observer. Mrs. Cyphert reminded the trustees she attended a Sunshine Law Seminar on the trustee's behalf as required for elected officials by the Ohio Auditors Office. She always has the Ohio Sunshine Law book available in the meeting room that will answer any questions regarding the requirements we must follow. The trustees are always welcome to call her anytime there is a question regarding these types of issues.

Randles said two Cedar Hill Court residents asked him about paving it next year. Solt said he will look at it.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: by Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Administrator

The Board Administrator reported the township has received an anonymous complaint from someone that the Doss Junkyard is resurfacing next to the property on Coonpath Road where the majority of junk used to be stored. Cyphert discussed with the board the possibility the township could pursue the issue under the nuisance law per ORC.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to have the Board Administrator discuss the nuisance law regarding the Doss property on Coonpath Road with legal counsel. Motion passed 3-0.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Terry Gill, Fire Chief

The chief was present to answer questions but had no formal report to present.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Randy Solt, Road Supervisor

The Road Supervisor reported on the Sitterley Road project: Solt is meeting with the county engineer's office regarding Sitterley Road project tomorrow. Smith said a drop box may be needed. Moore said this can't be decided between meetings. It will need official action from the Board of Trustees. A special meeting will be called if needed. It was decided Smith will attend the meeting tomorrow morning at Sitterley Road with Solt and Jeff Baird.

Motion by Moore, Second by Randles to appoint Smith as authorized representative to approve paving project of Sitterley Road south of Marcy up to \$11,500. Motion carried 3-0.

- Also, the road department assisted the county with a downed tree this morning.

-Solt had two Kaufman Road residents 1) Karl Roark, 3325 Kauffman Road 2) Jim Bates, 3450 Kaufman Road talk to him regarding extending their driveway culverts and they want the township to supply the culverts due to the construction project. Solt investigated the issues. No cost estimate has been worked up. Moore asked Solt to provide written estimates on the costs and labor projections for the projects for our next discussion of the issue.

-Nothing has been received regarding the Kauffman Road speed study.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian E. Randles, Chair

David Lee Cyphert, Fiscal Officer