

## **<BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 6/8/2010**

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 and interested citizens. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and we paused for a moment of silence in honor of our military.

### **FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:**

**Motion** by Smith, second by Moore to approve minutes of the meeting held May 26, 2010. Motion carried 3-0.

**Motion** by Moore, second by Smith to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$19,926.68 and 0 charges having been certified by the Fiscal Officer that funds are available. Motion carried 3-0.

Public comment, written statement from Mark Heister: to be read into the record for the minutes on June 8. *I wish to convey my disagreement of you changing the meeting date for this meeting that was supposed to be held tomorrow evening but was changed for Brian Randle's vacation. Meetings are scheduled to be the 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday's which are set in January. I understand they must occasionally be changed but this should only be in an emergency situation.*

-The trustees responded that meeting changes should rarely occur but is sometimes done because they prefer that all 3 trustees attend the meeting.

-Discussion about Engineer's recommendations regarding the Slough/Waterloo intersection: Township resident Lawrence Bigler, not present this meeting, had previously requested changes be considered. After discussion, the trustees directed that the current signage remain in place for now, however, that the Road Dept. reposition the signs according to the letter from the Engineer's Office dated 5/12/10. The trustees further directed the Road Supervisor to place this intersection as a high priority when ordering replacement signs to meet the new requirements for traffic control signs.

### **TRUSTEE REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and OTHER COMMUNICATIONS:**

-Smith read a *Thank You* note from the Board of Elections for allowing them to store election equipment in our building.

-DAC Meeting Report: Moore reported she represented Bloom Twp. at the meeting. Moore explained the proposed contract between the City of Lancaster and the county health department. The proposed contract was voted down and would be renegotiated. DAC still awaits a legal opinion from the State Attorney General on whether the county is financially responsible for housing the local health department offices.

-Moore said the trustees need to decide amounts for some of the budget lines. She made the following proposals and all agreed.

Line 1000-760-730:(Improvement of Sites) \$25,000 – same as 2010 Budget.

Line 1000-760-740:(Machinery, Equip & Furn) \$3,000 – same as 2010 Budget

Line 2031-330-360-1508:(Contracted Services Sitterley Drainage Project) \$200,000.

Line 2031-330-360-4401 (Contracted Services OPWC TWP SHARE) \$90,368.30 which is 10% higher than 2010 budgeted amount.

-Randles said Jerry Miller of J&R's Pizza in Lithopolis spoke to him about their business using the township road department and fire department lots to park a few cars due to Columbus Street construction. The Fire Chief is concerned his emergency vehicles could be blocked and is concerned about using government property for private purposes. The Road Supervisor said access could be a problem for his department if the township parking lot was used for J&R's. Solt is also concerned cans could litter the township property. Randles said the Lithopolis mayor suggested the idea of using the township lot for J&R's. The trustees directed the Board Administrator to check with OTARMA to see if our insurance would allow customer and employee parking from J&R's on government property.

**ADMINISTRATION REPORT:** by Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Administrator

Newsletter discussion: The trustees liked the newsletter and approved having it published and sent to *The Bag* for distribution.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** by Terry Gill, Fire Chief

-Concrete project is going as planned. A fulltime firefighter will return to work Friday following recuperation from an injury.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT:** by Randy Solt, Road Supervisor:

-ODOT salt contract for this year is \$63.07 per ton which is the same as last year.

-He presented a tentative plan for road maintenance projects totaling about \$492,000. Moore reminded him the bond is only for \$450,000 so that will need to be changed. Moore asked if Glenhurst in Heather Lake had been reviewed for possible maintenance as she had received a complaint from a resident there. Solt said it had not. Solt said a small section of Brandt Road will also be addressed. The trustees will view the suggested roads before the next meeting.

**OTHER:** Motion by Moore, Second by Smith to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of sale/purchase of real estate. Motion carried 3-0. Following the executive session, motion by Smith, second by Moore to come out of executive session. Motion carried 3-0.

### **ADJOURNMENT**