

<BLOOM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 7/28/2010

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.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

Motion by Smith, second by Moore to approve minutes of the budget hearing and the regular meeting held July 14, 2010. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Moore, second by Smith to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$19,325.74 and charges in the amount of \$51,034.99 having been certified by the Fiscal Officer that funds are available. Motion carried 3-0.

Township FO Cyphert reported a tax advance has been received from property tax settlements from the Fairfield County Auditor's Office in the amount of \$1,030,000.00. More will be coming in the near future.

TRUSTEE REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and OTHER COMMUNICATIONS:

Moore said all trustees received a letter from Joe Kotwis regarding safety concerns at the intersection of Cedar Hill Road and Alspach Road. Most of the resident's issues regard Cedar Hill Road and he will address those concerns with the county engineer's office since Cedar Hill is a county road. Discussion regarding accidents at that location: The fire chief reported it is not a frequent area for accidents. Smith said there are different widths of roads when they are platted and that must be considered.

Randles will be attending the Fire Committee meeting. He will review material to read prior to the meeting and will be in attendance.

OTHER RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS:

-Per Resolution 01-10: At the Reorganization meeting held 01/07/10, the trustees set the meeting dates for the 2nd & 4th Wednesday's of the month EXCEPT for the 1st meeting in August. Therefore: **Motion** by Moore, second by Smith to hold 1st meeting in August on Thursday, August 5, 2010 with check signing and agenda review session at 7:15 p.m. and the regular meeting to be held at 7:30 p.m. (Fire Committee meeting is scheduled for Wed. Aug. 4, 7pm at the township office building). Motion carried 3-0.

-**Motion** by Moore, second by Smith to approve request from Columbia Gas to utilize Township Right of Way in the vicinity of 305 Market Street. Motion carried 3-0.

-**Motion** by Moore, second by Smith to re-enroll for 2011 with Frank Gates/Avizent as Bloom Township's Workers' Compensation group Administrator for the service fee of \$3,994. Motion carried 3-0. Moore commented they are the recommended agent by the Ohio Township Association.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: by Anne Darling Cyphert, Board Administrator

-FC OTA Communication from Barb Lamp + Request from Dave Fey & Carrie Woody to address trustees: We received a note of appreciation from Barb Lamp of Fairfield County Township Trustees and Fiscal Officers Association for the event we hosted at Rock Mill. Dave Fey & Carrie Woody would like to address the trustees regarding their departments. They will be invited to a future meeting to speak.

-National Township Conference: one of the many issues to be discussed is regarding high speed internet issues in rural communities: Anyone who plans to attend needs to contact Anne by August 4 or they can register themselves if they would like.

-Noxious weeds complaint was filed on a property on Marcy Road last week. She sent a letter to the owner that if they didn't cut them by the date of the next board meeting, the agenda would include a motion to order them to cut/destroy weeds. They weeds were cut two days later.

-Schumacher Violation update: Mr. Schumacher did not attend his pre-trial hearing. Another hearing has been scheduled for Oct. 13.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Terry Gill, Fire Chief

-**Motion** by Smith, second by Moore to appoint a volunteer firefighter on one year probationary period effective immediately. Motion carried 3-0.

-Planning Committee update: He reported the next meeting will be held Aug. 5. Moore complimented his organizational skills in preparing for each planning committee meeting.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT: by Randy Solt, Road Supervisor

-change in road resurfacing projects memo: Solt requested Plummer Road be removed from the summer road maintenance list. There was no objection to the request.

-Solt said the county engineer's office said the engineering for the Sitterley Road project is only about a third done. Patching potholes is taking a lot of time. He received an estimate from Shelly

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Company to motor pave a section south of Marcy Road. Smith asked Solt if he has discussed those plans with the engineer's office what he would like to do and he said he had not done that. Moore said we are spending \$25,000 for engineering on that stretch of Sitterley and we need to consult with our engineering firm Lockwood Lanier before doing any work there. Smith said he could be throwing money away if it doesn't agree with the engineer's advice. Randles said to tell the engineer what we want to do and see how feasible it is. The estimate is about \$12,000 to motor pave it. Solt will consult with Adam Lanier and all agreed we will discuss the matter again next meeting.

-Meeting with CW Street Dept. on Ashbrook Rd: Meeting was in regards to this being a shared road between the township and CW. A request to obtain an estimate to motor pave that road will be sought next year.

-Randles reminded Solt to provide notices to the Administrative Office so we can issue a news release when roads will be paved. Randles recommended installing information signs in the area when roads will be paved. Solt said he will provide notices as well to the local businesses.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian E. Randles, Chair

David Lee Cyphert, Fiscal Officer