

## BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MARCH 2, 2016

This regular meeting of the Bath Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Pitstick. Other township personnel in attendance were Mr. Ross, Mr. Heizer, Mr. Trimbach, Mr. Miller, and Mrs. Brown. Mr. Ross made a motion to accept the agenda; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried. Mr. Ross made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried. Mr. Ross made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$44,716.98 plus a \$2,104.40 transfer to the US Bank Municipal Investor account; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Concerning the disposition of the 1995 International truck, the Board reviewed a letter of intent from the Carthage Township Board of Trustees to purchase the truck for a sum of \$13,001.00. Several items that needed to be fixed and/or corrected before the sale is finalized were noted. Mr. Heizer, Road Supervisor, explained what was involved and the corrective actions taken. Mr. Pitstick will contact the two gentlemen who had expressed an interest in bidding on the truck. Mr. Pitstick and Mr. Ross signed Resolution 13-2016 that states that the truck is unfit for the use for which it was acquired and that the ORC Section 505.10(A)(5) states that a board of township trustees, by resolution, may authorize the transfer and conveyance of property to another political subdivision of the state and resolving to sell said truck to Carthage Township for \$13,001. (See minutes of previous meeting.)

Mr. Ross reported that he had emailed County Engineer Geyer and Josh Wallace, ODOT, about Dave Lower's concerns regarding the Trebein and SR 235 intersection. He has not heard back from Mr. Wallace. Mr. Geyers's response was that this was under the jurisdiction of ODOT and the City. Mr. Ross will try to contact Mr. Wallace again.

Mr. Pitstick read the email response from County Auditor David Graham about the process to place a road levy on the ballot. Mr. Graham stated that once the township has determined the dollar amount needed, he can calculate the necessary millage and estimate the cost to the property owner. The levy has to be certified to the Board of Elections at least 90 days prior to the election. Before the township passes a resolution to place the levy on the ballot, the township would pass a resolution authorizing the fiscal officer to obtain a certification of the levy from the county auditor. Once that certification is received the township would then be able to pass a resolution to proceed which would be filed with the Board of Elections. Mr. Graham noted in a later email that for planning purposes—a one mill levy would generate about \$90,000 per year and would cost the owner of a \$100,000 property \$35 per year. The Board and Mr. Heizer discussed what work was needed to maintain and bring the roads up to a satisfactory standard over a five to seven year period and how much this would cost. They discussed what types of applications would be best for various roads. Mr. Ross asked Mr. Heizer to put together a five year road project plan.

Mr. Ross reported that Mr. Strader has located a contractor to remove the fence on Cemex property along SR 235 at the Byron Road intersection. Mr. Pitstick thought that ODOT had indicated that they would remove the brush and trees. Mr. Heizer stated that the road crew could remove the brush/trees if ODOT can't get to it. Cemex will then maintain the area.

**STAFF REPORTS:** Mr. Heizer, Road Supervisor, reported on the repairs to the new truck. He had to contact the seller Mike Bailey, Fyda Freightliner, to handle the billing from Stoops Freightliner for the repairs that were still under warranty. He is also trying to get Rush Truck Center to honor the warranty on the rusted-out oil pan on the 2011 International truck.

The Board reviewed Mrs. Phillips' cemetery report. The cemetery crew will be concentrating on cleaning up the grounds in preparation for the mowing season. The 400 spring flower bulbs are starting to emerge. She had contacted Mr. Sacket at Henderson Trucking about the new dump truck. The anticipated delivery date is now late April or the first part of May.

Mr. Miller, Zoning Inspector, reported that he will be checking on the property at 2879 Old Yellow Springs Road. He had given Mr. Vance until the end of February to clean-up the trash. As of last week he hadn't done anything, so Mr. Miller expects that he will either have to take him to court or ask the Board to proceed with a nuisance hearing. Mr. Miller noted that Greene County Environmental Services and Greene Soil and Water Conservation District are holding Tire Amnesty Collections on March 24, April 28, and May 26. Mr. Miller asked Mr. Heizer to advise him of any township properties with tires so that he can pass on the information.

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Mr. Miller also reported on Bob Geyer's memo to all townships about "No Thru Truck" signs. Mr. Geyer writes that in his opinion and under the ORC, Townships and the County do not have the authority to erect said signs and enforce them. Mr. Miller had been contacted by an individual concerned about Cemex truck traffic on Hyde and West Enon Roads. He reported that Mr. Strader stated that it would be several years before Cemex would be moving any mining materials along Hyde Road and that they are planning to go underneath SR235.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Ross made a motion to approve a reallocation in the Road Fund for \$75 to Other-Dues & Fees from Other Professional & Technical Services; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried.

### **Correspondence:**

- Melissa Branum, Health Commissioner: annual District Advisory Council meeting on March 15. Mr. Ross will attend in place of Mr. Pitstick.

Mr. Ross reported that he had spent some time today talking with Mr. Miller about fire and EMS. Mr. Ross plans to contact Beaver Creek Township about what their run charge might be. Mr. Pitstick noted that Mr. Miller had participated in the skit that was presented at two zoning workshop meetings hosted by Regional Planning and the County Prosecutor.

In response to the question asked by Mr. David Anderson, 3600 Byron Road, Mr. Heizer stated that additional paving on Ravenwood would further steepen the driveway approaches. The sewer lids are also a problem. Mr. Anderson then asked whether a new employee had been hired noting that someone other than our regular employees was seen in a township truck. It was determined that he must be referring to John Carlson, a former employee.

Mr. Pitstick asked Mrs. Brown to get a quote on collision and comprehensive insurance for the 2001 Silverado now that the road department has converted it into a utility truck.

Mr. Pitstick made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss employment/family medical leave issues; seconded by Mr. Ross. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Ross made a motion to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular meeting; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Pitstick made a motion to allow Travis Harrell to return to work on a trial basis for 30 hours per week for a month to see if he can handle the work; seconded by Mr. Ross. Mr. Harrell will arrange for the starting day with the Cemetery Supervisor, Mrs. Phillips. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Pitstick moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Ross. Roll call: two ayes, no nays, motion carried.

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Elaine M. Brown, Fiscal Officer

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Tom Pitstick, Chairman

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