

BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 17, 2017

This regular meeting of the Bath Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Ross. Other township personnel in attendance were Mr. Martin, Mr. Pitstick, Mr. Heizer, Mr. Trimbach, and Mrs. Brown. Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried. Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 19th meeting; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: Ross, aye; Martin, abstain; Pitstick, aye; motion carried. Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 3rd meeting; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: Ross, abstain; Martin, aye; Pitstick, aye; motion carried. Mr. Pitstick made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$33,402.08; seconded by Mr. Martin. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried.

GUEST: Chrisbell Bednar, Director of Greene County Parks and Trails, asked for the Board's support of an application to the State of Ohio, Public Works Commission, Clean Ohio Fund for the purchase of property located on Byron Road adjacent to Pearl's Fen. At present access to the fen which is owned by the Greene County Park District is through an easement. Purchase of this property would allow for public access to the fen and continued improvements. The Board viewed the request favorably. However, Ms. Bednar had not yet made contact with the adjoining property owners. The Board was hesitant to proceed at this time without their input. Ms. Bednar will talk with the adjacent owners and try to get an extension on the application deadline.

OLD BUSINESS: The Board reviewed a request from B-W Greenway Community Land Trust for a grant application to the Clean Ohio Fund for a conservation easement on 77 acres owned by Mary and Donald Gronbeck, 1594 Dayton-Yellow Springs Road. Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the request (Resolution 19-2017); seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS: Mr. Heizer, Road Supervisor, reported that microsurfacing on Woodhaven and Deerhorn was completed today. Miami Township's Crafcoc machine broke down and he had to rent one to complete the crack sealing. He expects to finish Old Yellow Springs on Monday. The spring round of mowing has started and should be done by Memorial Day. The paving machine is ready to be picked up. Total repair costs were \$1928. With gentle use the machine should hold up for another couple years.

Mr. Ross read Mrs. Phillips' cemetery report. With the pouring of two trucks of concrete this week they were able to complete about half the footers on the waiting list. They will pour again after Memorial Day. The VFW confirmed that they will hold their annual Memorial Day service at the cemetery at 9:00am. The Fairborn Cement Company (Cemex) finished removing debris today. (See minutes of December 21, 2016 meeting.)

It was noted that the revised Zoning Resolution had been delivered to the Recorder's office.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Martin made a motion to approve Supplemental Appropriation 18-2017 for \$15,000 in the Road Fund - Operating Supplies--Asphalt; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Lance Oakes, DDC Construction: email with drawing that shows the park walking path encroaching on the Waterford Landing property. Mr. Martin noted that the walking path was installed in 1993 at which time the land east of the park was owned by the cement company and had been stripped of top soil. He suggested that the Board talk to Assistant Prosecutor Hayden and Fairborn city planners. Mr. Martin made a motion to forward the information about the path to the Civil Division of the Prosecutor's Office for an opinion; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Mr. Martin stated that he would be willing to move the path if the construction company would pay for it. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried. Mr. Pitstick stated that city planning should be consulted as well. Mr. Ross will reply to Mr. Oakes' email.
- Patricia Higgins, Development Coordinator for B-W Greenway, sent a letter requesting a waiver of the community room rental fee for a meeting with the Waterford Landing residents in order to inform them about B-W Greenway's mission and the location of the numerous local environmentally sensitive areas protected for their enjoyment. Mr. Pitstick made a motion to approve the waiver request; seconded by Mr. Martin. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried.
- Ohio Public Entity Consortium-Healthcare Cooperative Board of Directors: membership meeting on May 24 in Grove City. Mr. Ross would like to get a clearer understanding of

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the membership agreement and the proposed amendments. There are two other groups that are soliciting our health insurance business when our contract expires at the end of the year. Mrs. Brown plans to attend as well.

Mr. Pitstick explained the tillable acreage reduction form from the Farm Service Agency for the land at the rear of Byron Cemetery. The total reduction was 2.29 acres distributed proportionately between corn and soybeans. Mr. Martin made a motion that the total deduction be made to the soybean acreage; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried. This leaves the corn base at 15.87 acres and reduces the soybean base to .38 acres.

Mr. Martin noted that Hamvention is this week-end.

Mr. David Anderson, 3600 Byron Road, mentioned again his opposition to the Board's stand on the medical marijuana issue. Mr. Ross apologized for losing his temper at the April 19th meeting when Mr. Anderson challenged his position.

Mr. Ross noted that the Board will begin fire contract negotiations soon.

Mr. Martin made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss employment of a public employee; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Ross called the regular meeting back to order. Mr. Martin made a motion to grant Robert Harris two week's unpaid medical leave; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried. Mr. Harris plans to return to work on June 7th.

Mr. Martin made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Pitstick. Roll call: three ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Elaine M. Brown, Fiscal Officer

Steven E. Ross, Chairman