

The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, in the Township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

Members Present:

Brad Baxter

Mike Meeks Lisa Fillhart

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with Trustee Baxter leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the September 17, 2024 meeting were received and reviewed. Trustee Fillhart moved to approve them as written and Trustee Meeks seconded the motion. With trustees Fillhart & Meeks voting yes, the motion was approved. Trustee Baxter abstained.

The following resolutions were taken up by the Trustees:

RESOLUTION 10-1-24-1: Denying the proposed rezoning amendment of case #118 to the Bath Township Zoning Map, specifically, rezoning seven parcels, as detailed in the case documents, from R1: Residential District to B2: General Business District.

- Trustee Baxter gave an overview of the public hearings in this case.
 Trustee Meeks discussed the previous PUD regarding this property that was repealed by referendum. Trustee Fillhart addressed issues and concerns related to traffic control.
- Trustee Baxter moved to approve the resolution and Trustee Fillhart seconded the motion. With all three trustees voting yes, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION 10-1-24-2: Authorizing the payment of \$6,742.07 to Sutphen Corporation (Invoice #50009164) in the amount of \$6,742.07, for the removal, rebuilding, reinstallation, and testing of both hydraulic cylinders on the fire department's 2007 American LaFrance ladder truck.

- Chief Kitchen gave an overview of the needed repairs. Trustee Meeks thanked the Chief for his work on this project.
- Trustee Baxter moved to approve the resolution and trustee Fillhart seconded the motion. With all three trustees voting yes, the resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION 10–1–24–3: Approving the replacement of the Bath Township Boardroom and Social Hall roof. The cost not to exceed \$32,200.00 as stated on the quote presented by D.A. Quality Roofing LLC – Daniel Hilty. This project is to be paid for by using available ARP funds.

- Trustee Baxter gave an overview of this project and the need to replace the roof. Trustee Meeks advised that 50% would be paid in advance and the balance paid upon project completion.
- Trustee Baxter moved to approve the resolution and trustee Fillhart seconded the motion. With all three trustees voting yes, the resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION 10-1-24-4: Approving the replacement of two furnaces and one air conditioning unit for the social hall and offices. The cost not to exceed \$9,550.00 as stated on the quote presented by Quality Mechanical Services. This project is to be paid for by using available ARP funds.

- Trustee Baxter gave an overview of this project and the need to replace the roof. Trustee Meeks advised that 50% would be paid in advance and the balance paid upon project completion.
- Trustee Baxter moved to approve the resolution and trustee Fillhart seconded the motion. With all three trustees voting yes, the resolution was adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Account balances as of September 29, 2024

| First National Bank | \$2,814,390.77 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| STAR Ohio Investment | \$110,486.00 |
| Total - All Accounts as of 9.29.24 | \$2,924,876.77 |

ARP FUNDS:

The ARP Funding Balances are as follows:

| Total Funds Received: | \$993,592.50 |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Total Funds Disbursed: | \$856,377.86 |

Total Funds Reserved:

| • | Fire Hydrant Replacement | \$2,132.65 |
|---|----------------------------|-------------|
| • | Reserved Fire Dept Payroll | \$3,663.72 |
| • | HVAC Replacement | \$9,550.00 |
| • | Roof Replacement | \$32,200.00 |

Total Available/Remaining Bal \$137,214.64

ADVANCES:

• From General Fund to Fire Fund: \$26,180.13

Recent Expenditure Report:

(Warrants & EFT's Paid Since Last Meeting)

| Payroll Total for 10.1.24 | \$24,713.23 |
|---|-------------|
| Bills Paid or Scheduled through 9.15.24 | \$39,719.77 |
| Total Amount of All Payables | \$64,433.00 |

Financial Reports Provided to Trustees:

[As of 9.29.2024]

- Payment Listing
- Fund Status
- Revenue Status
- · Cash Flow Detail by Fund

Budget Adjustments / Internal Transactions

- Created blanket certificate number 134-2024 in the amount of \$10,403.58 for fund 2192 to pay bills associated with repairs & maintenance.
- Created blanket certificate number 135-2024 in the amount of \$5,750 for fund 2192 to pay bills associated with supplies & materials.

Trustee Baxter acknowledged receiving the listed reports.

Trustee Fillhart moved to approve the financial report and to authorize the payment of the current payroll and bills. Trustee Meeks seconded the motion. With all three trustees voting yes, the motion was approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

• An executive session was requested for the purpose of discussing matters related to security arrangements.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Received a letter from the IRS regarding the form 941 tax return.
- Received a letter from Allen County Public Health regarding their backflow prevention devise inspection program.
- Received correspondence from Stolly Insurance requesting to submit quotes for the township's insurance needs.

TRUSTEES BUSINESS

Mr. Baxter

 Mr. Baxter discussed ARP funds and the potential need to purchase new MARC's radios. Requested a report from Chief Kitchen for the October 22, 2024 meeting.

Mr. Meeks

 Mr. Meeks discussed changes to the Ohio Administrative Code that now permit the township to hold meetings virtually.

Mrs. Fillhart

Trustee Fillhart made a motion to cancel the October 15, 2024 meeting, to hold a
meeting on October 22, 2024 at 7:00 PM, and to approve the payment of the October
16, 2024 payroll. The motion was seconded by Trustee Baxter. After some
discussion, all three trustees voted yes. The motion was approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Road Superintendent: Gary Jay

- Mr. Jay reported that salt prices actually went down.
- Mr. Jay requested that 911 signs be increased from \$15.00 to \$25.00.
- Mr. Baxter made a motion to increase the cost of 9-1-1 signs to \$25.00 effective immediately. Trustee Meeks seconded the motion. All three trustees voted yes. The Motion was approved.

Fire Department: Chief Kitchen

- Chief Kitchen reported calls for service totaled 1072 to date.
- Chief Kitchen reported the tanker is still out of service due to a delay related to availability of parts.
- Chief Kitchen reported that we were not selected to receive a SAFER grant.

Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector: Ken Meyer

- Submitted his report in writing, a copy of which is attached to the meeting agenda. See said report for a statistical breakdown of zoning & inspection related activities.
- Mr. Meyer requested an increase in zoning fees and submitted the requested fees in writing to the trustees. Trustee Baxter moved to approve the zoning fees as submitted. Trustee Fillhart seconded the motion. Trustees Baxter and Fillhart voted yes. Trustee Meeks voted no. The motion was approved. Mr. Meyer will publish the new schedule of fees.

Social Hall: Tammy Jay

No report

Law Enforcement: ACSO Deputy Jerry Cress

No report

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

- Attendance included 11 members of the public and 8 township employees/officials for a total of 19.
- Haley Rosfell of 706 Radcliff asked how do we make Lost Creek safer.
- Ruth Hollenbacher thanked the Trustees for denying the zoning change requested in case #118.
- Clarence Roller of 3920 E. Bluelick spoke on updating current zoning rules and asked the question if we wanted to be just what we are or do we want to be something better. He was referring to the township as a whole.

Executive Session

 Trustee Meeks moved for an executive session at 8:11 PM to discuss matters related to security. Trustee Baxter seconded the motion. With all three trustees voting yes, the meeting moved to executive session which began at 8:22 PM and ended at 9:32 PM upon a motion by Trustee Meeks that was seconded by Trustee Fillhart. All three trustees voted yes and the meeting returned to regular session.

Additional Business & Announcements

• The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **October 22, 2024, at 7:00 PM** in the Township Boardroom.

Being no further business to come before the board, trustee Meeks moved, and trustee Fillhart seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 PM. With no further discussion and all three trustees voting yes, the motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned.

Brad Baxter, Chairman

Berlin Carroll, Fiscal Officer

Mike Meeks, Vice Chairman

Lisa Fillhart, Trustee