

The Board of Trustees of Bath Township met on Tuesday, **February 21, 2023**, in the Township Boardroom, 2880 Ada Road, Lima, Ohio.

**Members Present:** 

**Brad Baxter** 

Joe Patton Mike Meeks

Chairman Brad Baxter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting of February 7, 2023, were approved as presented. Motion by Mr. Patton, seconded by Mr. Baxter and abstained by Mr. Meeks. Motion passed by a roll call vote.

# FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2-21-23-1: Hereby approves an agreement between the Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Allen, Auglaize & Hardin Counties of Lima, OH and Bath Township/Allen County, for all full-time and part time- employees to participate in the Employee Network Inc. which will be the servicing Employee Assistance Program for Bath Township for fiscal year 2023. Discussion: Mr. Patton explained additional services are available. Motion made by Mr. Patton, seconded by Mr. Meeks, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

<u>RESOLUTION 2-21-23-2</u>: Hereby authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$12,369.84 from the ARPA fund to reimburse the Fire Fund for the purchase of fire hydrants. Motion made by Mr. Baxter seconded by Mr. Patton and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2-21-23-3: Hereby approves the final appropriations for fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, with the inclusion of the revenue and appropriation for Woodbriar #6 Streetlight program and the additional appropriation from American Rescue Plan funds for the non-bargaining unit employee bonus approved by Resolution 12-20-22-11. Motion made by Mr. Meeks seconded by Mr. Patton and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The fiscal officer reported as of February 20, 2023, the checking account balance First National Bank \$2,462,131.29; Star Ohio balance \$101,512.74 for a total amount of all funds at \$2,563,644.03.

## **BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

# Breakdown of bills for approval:

Payroll Total:	\$ 37,315.01
Expenditures/Bills	\$ 35,509.51
Total	\$ 72,824.52

Mr. Meeks moved, and Mr. Baxter seconded the motion to pay the February 22, 2023, bills in the amount of \$72,824.52. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports Emailed to Trustees: Payment Listing 2/20/23, Fund Status 2/20/23, Revenue Status 2/20/23.

ARP FUNDS:		
The ARP Funding Balances are as follows:		
Total Funds Received (2021):	\$496,457.46	
Total Funds Received (2022)	\$497,135.04	
Total Funds Disbursed:	\$322,908.99	
Total Available/Remaining Balance	\$670,683.51	

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1.) Upcoming dates announced from Haley Belisle at the Allen Soil & Water Conservation District:
  - March 16 is our hybrid March Regular Meeting at JAMPD Office.
  - April 07, 2023, is the 21st Annual Good Friday Fish Fry
  - April 22, 2023, is the Ottawa River Cleanup event. Join us from 9AM 12PM.

### 2.) North Central Ohio Solid Waste District Public Notice:

Public Comment Period and Public Hearing for Draft Solid Waste Management Plan The North Central Ohio Solid Waste District (District) is establishing a 30-day written comment period (Wednesday, March 1, 2023, until Thursday, March 30, 2023) on the draft solid waste management plan (Ohio Revised Code Section 3734.55). The district has prepared a draft solid waste management plan as required by Section 3734.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Once the 30-day written comment period is over, the District will hold two public hearings to obtain oral comments regarding the draft Solid Waste Management Plan Update on Monday, April 3, 2023, at the Union County Office Building, 233 West 6th Street, Commissioners Hearing Room, Marysville, Ohio at 9:00 am, and at the Allen County Court of Appeals, 204 N. Main Street, 1st Floor Conference Room, Lima, Ohio at 11:30 am. The draft plan is available for review on the District's Website at: www.ncowaste.org or at the following Allen County locations: North Central Ohio Solid Waste District, 815 Shawnee Road, Suite D, Lima, Ohio 45805 and the Allen County Commissioners Office, 204 North Main Street, Lima, Ohio 45801.

Allen County One Ohio - Distribution of Ohio Opioid Friday February 24th at 1:30 p.m.

### TRUSTEE BUSINESS

**Mr. Baxter** discussed cutbacks with the ACSO, and he would like to suggest cutting back to two deputies. Mr. Baxter requested an executive session to "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotions, demotion, or compensation of a public employee." Mr. Baxter inquired about the Fire Departments ladder truck and Gary reported they believe it is a hydraulic issue.

Mr. Meeks stated our collage of photos needs updated. Mr. Meeks feels we should reenter the ACSO contract and agrees on cutting back to two deputies.

Mr. Patton had nothing to report.

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Road Superintendent Gary Jay** reported on the Aries Mowing contract for 2023. There is a price increase of \$43. He would like to continue to use their service. The Freightliner build will start February 21<sup>st</sup> and the LeeAnn tile project is complete. Gary provided the Trustees with an update on Cemetery prices for Bath Township and surrounding cemeteries. The Trustees will look at a resolution for the next meeting. Gary also recommended Ben Seiver for our annual yearly road sweeping. This service is usually included in the road program, but the county now does not want to be involved. Ben's prices are less than companies they have used before, and he will not charge for travel time.

Chief Kitchen reported 199 calls for service year to date. Chief had nothing else to report.

**Zoning Inspector/Fire Inspector Ken Meyer** the Zoning Boards met on February 16th to review proposed changes to the zoning resolution. The Boards agreed on the proposed changes for signage after some discussion and they still need to work on the solar article. They will meet again on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ken is addressing issues at 2525 Harding Highway. P&G will be breaking ground on the warehouse part of their project in mid-March.

Social Hall Manager Tammy Jay had nothing to report.

### **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

There were (7) seven from the public in attendance. Ted Schumacher, 3120 Sugar Creek Road, questioned if analytics were completed on the ACSO deputies needed. Clarence Roller, 3920 E. Bluelick Road, discussed the needs for public usage of leaf pick up and Deputies and how people will complain if services are not offered due budget cuts.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bath Township will be held **March 7, 2023, @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Township Boardroom.

Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Patton seconded the motion to recess the regular meeting at 8:00 p.m. and go into executive session at 8:10 p.m. "To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotions, demotion, or compensation of a public employee." It was determined to end the executive session at 8:52 p.m.

Being of no further business, Mr. Baxter moved, and Mr. Patton seconded the motion. to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:52 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Brad Baxter, Chairman

Rebecca Phillips, Fiscal Officer

loe Patton, Vice Chairman

Mike Meeks, Trustee