Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, here; Mr. Flaherty, here; Mr. Welch, here.
The regular meeting of the Blendon Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30pm. Mr. Welch moved to approve and waive the reading of the minutes as presented for the March 20, 2019 meeting. Mr. Flaherty seconded. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel; yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes. The Purchase Orders and Cemetery Deeds were signed by the Board.

Administrator’s Report: Mr. Rhoads updated the Board on the following: Zoning Commission will be meeting April 16th, for the first time this year and hoping Carolyn Cordray will be Chair once again. April 18th is our MORPC meeting. Planning a meeting with Mrs. Estep on budgeting for 2020. Rumpke postcards hit the mailboxes regarding recycling carts.

Communications: Update Reports to the Board – Emailed from the Directors.

New Business:
1. Census Presentation: Mrs. Heichel welcomed Mr. Boyd and Mrs. Vicky to our meeting to present a video presentation on the 2020 Census. His discussion included the importance of complete and accurate objectives. Participation opens many job opportunities as well. With less than a year, partnership is important to meet the April 1, 2020 deadline. The importance of accuracy brings income to the community. This can be found on our website and the Board thanked them for their presentation.

2. Salt Contract Resolution: Mr. Giancurre discussed the need for less salt this next winter. The bid with ODOT is for 300 tons vs the 500 tons of salt. Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt Resolution 2019-02, authorizing participation in the ODOT Road Salt Contract. Mr. Welch seconded. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

3. Road District Resolution: Mr. Rhoads discussed with the Board the request for an additional 1.5 mills to be approved by the Franklin County Budget Committee. Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt Resolution 2019-04, requesting an additional 1.5 mills be approved by the Franklin County Budget Committee, from the inside 10 mill limitation into the Road District Fund. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

Director/Staff Updates:
Mr. Giancurre noted the film has been installed on the windows in the mausoleum. His crew is in the process of picking of “The Bats” in the community, with litter under control. Also, many funerals are planned.

Fire Chief Miller let the Board know of the retirement of Mr. Tim Neja after 33 years of service and the Board wished him well. Volunteer work is in his future.

Mr. Welch discussed the 10.5 gas tax passed, with a hope of the Township to benefit.

Mr. Rhoads request the Board approve the new baskets for the light poles on Westerville Road out of the JEDZ funds, with possible reimbursement for the old brackets. Mr. Welch moved to accept the quoted $9,960.00, for 2019, with Buildstein Landscaping. Mr. Flaherty second. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

Mrs. Heichel spoke for Mrs. Bowman with a reminder for the breakfast with the Easter Bunny, 9-11am and Egg hunt at 10am on Saturday, April 13th.

Open Floor:
Mrs. Cordray, 3734 Caracas, discussed with the Board the flower baskets.

Pay Bills: Mr. Flaherty moved to pay the bills. Mr. Welch seconded. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes. The attached list of checks was approved.

Mrs. Heichel advised that the next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 6:30pm. Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

Approved by:
Bryan Rhoads, Administrator

Approved by:
Janice D. Heichel, Chairperson