Pledge of Allegiance

1. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, here; Mr. Welch, here; Mr. Flaherty, here; Mr. Estep, here.

2. Consent Agenda: The regular meeting of the Blendon Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30pm. Mr. Flaherty moved to approve and waive the reading of the minutes as presented for the February 7, 2018, meeting. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

3. Signatures: The Purchase Orders and Cemetery Deeds were signed by the Board.

4. Administrator's Report:
   Mr. Rhoads updated the Board on the following: Plans are to attend the MORPC meeting on Thursday. Aldi plans are being reviewed and getting ready for press releases when demolition starts. Shred-It Day is April 28, Saturday. May 22, we will host the Northeast Region Collaboration, where communities in the northeast area meet to discuss future plans. Working with our attorneys regarding storm water regulations for compliance under home rule. Fiber optics is well underway and hope to be done soon and start working with our IT team on enhancements.

5. Communications:
   5a. Update Reports to the Board- E-mailed from the Directors.

6. New Business:
   6a. 2017 Road Mileage Certifications- Mr. Giamarco discussed with the Board the no change in 25.21 miles of Blendon Roadways.

   6b. 2018 Landscaping Contracts- Mr. Rhoads discussed the new contract with Miller Landscaping for 2018, with no increase. Mr. Flaherty moved to approve the 2018 Miller Landscaping contract for $29,622.50, at no increase. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

   6c. Sale of Parcel 110-002539 Claridon Avenue- Mr. Rhoads discussed the sale to Mr. Rickets for improvements and tax benefits. Mr. Flaherty moved to approve Lot #110-002539, to Mr. Rickets with an offer of $1,000.00. Mr. Welch seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

7. Old Business:
   7a. Resolution 2018-04 Prohibiting Medical Marijuana- Mr. Rhoads discussed the 90 day moratorium passed and now Res. 2018-04 is to prohibit marijuana. Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt Resolution 2018-04, to prohibit medical marijuana cultivation, dispensing, and processing pursuant to Section 3796.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. Mrs. Heichel second. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.
1. Director/Staff Updates:

Mr. Giamarco discussed repairing some storm sewers that had collapsed. And noted he has plenty of road salt for the next snow storm. Now starting to get ready for spring.

Fire Chief Miller wanted to thank Hand & Micro Surgery Center who made a $30K donation to the Westerville Fire Department, and in turn, have purchased a CPR device and airway equipment. The outpouring of sympathy from the community over the deaths of two Westerville Police Officers was outstanding to see and thanks to everyone for their condolences.

Mrs. Heichel discussed the Pioneer 5K Run and the proposal of Lt. Lephart. Blendon Township would like help with the rental fee for the cones and a banner, along with police support for an estimate of $1,000.00. Mr. Welch made a motion to approve our participation in the Pioneer 5K Walk/Run, at the total cost of $1,200.00. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

Mrs. Harter discussed disbursement of the 2018 Blendon calendars. The remainder to be used for new resident packets. Mr. Porter is working on an estimate for the case for the musket. Later to work on an estimate for a cabinet for the retired headstones.

Mrs. Bowman noted the upcoming Bean Soup Boogie Event. Everyone is invited. Dinner and line dancing on Wednesday, March 14th, 4:30-6:30pm. Donations welcome. First quarter Senior Options grant money was received. Easter Egg Hunt is on schedule, hoping for good weather.

Det. Eric Moore just wanted to add to what Fire Chief Miller said with a thank you to the communities for their coming together and condolences during this tragic time.

Open Floor:

Mrs. Sharon Ricker discussed a list of issues mostly concerning the upcoming police levy which Mr. Estep addressed, Pods in driveways, Route 3 street lights, addressed by Mr. Rhoads, and complaints regarding rentals. A suggestion of an Advisory Board of residents to work with all residents and businesses to keep them informed. The Board noted Franklin County reviews all improvements and media will be involved with the upcoming events. Franklin County audits are posted on line, plus on a regular basis, input in our newsletters. New street lights grants are always being considered.

Mrs. Pam Clegg requesting posting the Huber Ridge Blooms event on June 24th, 1-5pm on our signage to inform all residents.

Deputy Ken Upton discussed his new position with the Franklin County Community Response Bureau helping with community relations, liaison to patrolling the community. Sheriff’s website (http://sheriff.franklincountyoiohio.gov) is available, with “Project Lifesaver” that can use a drone to help locate patients signed up and wearing a band.

Pay bills: Mr. Flaherty moved to pay the bills. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

The attached list of checks was approved for payment. Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm.

Mr. Welch, stated next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at 6:30pm.