Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, here; Mr. Flaherty, here; Mr. Welch, here; Mr. Smith, here. 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 November 13, 2019 meeting. Mr. Welch 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: The Commercial Building Department has been busy with construction proposals along with a proposal for the Cleveland Heights area. OHM is looking at it. Our township works under the Franklin County Storm Water and our responsibility is to keep an eye out for spills and report them. We are also under a retainee for Franklin County Soil & Water to report construction sites along with this yearly acknowledgement.

Communications:
1. Update Reports to the Board – Emailed from the Directors
2. Auditor’s Grading Scale - Mr. Smith discussed the new “Star Rating” system regarding handling of government records throughout the State.

New Business:

1. Resolution HR-02-19 Mobile Food Trucks: Mr. Rhoads discussed with the Board the Home Rule legislation with a six-month moratorium on mobile food trucks throughout the Township and how best to regulate them. Mr. Flaherty made a motion to adopt Res. HR-02-19. Mr. Welch second. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

2. Resignation of Mrs. Angie Courtwright: Mr. Rhoads asked that the Board accept the resignation of Angie Courtright from the Zoning Commission and CIC Boards due to a move out of Blendon Township. Mr. Flaherty moved to accept the resignation of Mrs. Courtright. Mr. Welch second. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

3. Full Time Police Officer Cordell Cardi - Chief Belford requested the Board authorize Chief Belford to offer of conditional employment, after passing of evaluations. Mr. Welch moved to accept the conditional offer of employment to Officer Cardi. Mr. Flaherty second. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

4. Appropriation Transfer: Mr. Smith requested the Board approve the attached transfers to move resources around as needed. Mr. Flaherty moved to approve the transfer requests. Mr. Welch second. Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes.

Director/Staff Updates:

Chief Belford noted the long-time relationship with Franklin County Engineers Office and Emergency Management Agency, for training certifications. We have partnered with them for a course in public safety and first responder’s assessments of building sites. Chief Belford will conduct a safety assessment course with students on December 4, 2019, in our complex.

Mrs. Bowman discussed getting the Senior Center ready for Christmas with the help of 11 volunteers with a reward of pizza and soup. Planning a trip on Monday to the Villa Milano.

Mr. Harter mentioned how busy the cemetery continues to be with funerals.

Mr. Smith noted he is working with Mr. Rhoads on the budget for temporary appropriations and hope to have it ready next meeting. With a new accounting system going into place, we need to be ready for next year.
Director/Staff Updates: continued...

Fire Chief Miller noted two of his members were sent to Cincinnati to help with the building collapse and helped throughout the night. Our prayers are with the lost worker as they continue to search for him. Also, with Thanksgiving around the corner, frying a turkey is discouraged, but make sure it's defrosted first if you do so. Oven fires are also a common during the holidays so please be careful.

Open Floor:

Mrs. Ricker, 5561 Oslo Drive, requested Sgt. Moynihan for the Holiday Lights Event, Wednesday, December 18, 2019 @ 7pm at her home. Chief Belford noted he may be alone if something, like a car crash, has happened.

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

Mrs. Heichel advised that the next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at 6:30pm.

Everyone is invited to Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 7th from 9-11am.

The Board wished everyone a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:44pm.

Approved by  
Shawn S. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Approved by  
Janice D. Heichel, Chairperson