Pledge of Allegiance

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

The regular meeting of the Blendon Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 pm. Mr. Flaherty moved to approve and waive the reading of the minutes as presented for the July 25, 2018, meeting. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes. The Purchase Orders and Cemetery Deeds were signed by the Board.

Administrator's Report: Mr. Rhoads updated the Board on the following: Discussed a meeting in Westerville regarding TIF with Mr. Flaherty, Mrs. Heichel and Mr. Estep. And also, the Westerville Mobility Plan. CIC has been active with rain gardens and roof projects.

Communications:
1. Update Reports to the Board - E-mailed from the Directors.
2. Department of Commerce - Liquor Permit Letter

New Business:
1. Resolution 2018-12 Mr. Rhoads presented the Board with a resolution covering the 2019 Board of Trustees regular meeting dates. Mr. Flaherty made a motion for Res. 2018-12, establishing trustee meeting dates for 2019. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

2. Res. NU-07-18, 3581 Stockholm Road & Res. NU-08-18, 5656 Oslo Drive - Mr. Rhoads requested nuisance abatements due to high grass. Mr. Flaherty made a motion to authorize a grass abatement with Res. NU-07-18 at 3581 Stockholm Road. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes. Mr. Flaherty made a motion to authorize a grass abatement with Res. NU-08-18 at 5656 Oslo Drive. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

3. OTARMA Insurance Renewal - Mr. Estep discussed with the Board the cost and rebate by renewing our OTARMA Insurance from August 10, 2018 to August 10, 2019. Mr. Flaherty made a motion to renew the OTARMA Insurance contract for property, casualty and liability for the period of August 10, 2018-August 10, 2019, with a premium of $48,329.00, and a rebate of $2,853.00. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Welch, yes; Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes.

Old Business:
1. Trash Collection Bidding Results - Mr. Rhoads discussed the Board the results of the bidding for trash collection in Blendon Township. Of the three companies planning to bid, only Rumpke Trash gave an actual bid. He stated that pricing will increase a little over the next three years. There are choices and a discussion as to how to handle the recycle was discussed. The status quo option is the cheapest and most popular per others in the trash consortium. OTARMA has found a grant to help us and other communities to purchase recycling carts. After much discussion, and questions the Board agreed to table the final decision until next meeting.
Director/Staff Updates

John Ciamarco noted his crew is busy with replacing signage and pouring foundations. Chief Miller discussed the closure of Smothers Road with the round-about going in and all this has the fire department well aware. Still working on an October deadline to start the replacing of smoke detectors in Sunbury Woods.

Mr. Flaherty thanked the Westerville Fire Department for their part in the National Night Out event in Blendon Township and their contribution was very much appreciated. The children loved having a fire truck and one on one time with the firemen. A much deserved "thank you" to Mrs. Ricker and Mrs. Cordray for hosting the event in their homes.

Mr. Estep stated the application for the police levy has been filed and will know more later.

Mrs. Bowman noted that the senior center newsletter is being worked on and that she is calling on other senior facilities for donations toward our car show, which is always slow at first.

Detective Moore thanked both Mrs. Ricker and Mrs. Cordray, as National Night Out turned out real nice because of their efforts.

Open Floor:

Mrs. Ciamarco, 4531 Big Walnut Street, discussed the minutes posted on our website.

Mrs. and Mr. Cordray, 3734 Caracas Drive, both thanked everyone involved in National Night Out. And it was a fun night.

Mrs. Sharon Ricker, 5561 Oslo Drive, also thanked everyone and Det. Moore involved with National Night Out. She also mentioned a new family with two young boys that moved into the neighbor thoroughly enjoyed the fire truck and attention. Questions regarding the police levy were answered by the Board and Mr. Estep. With the flowers on Westerville Road looking very pretty, Mrs. Ricker suggested maybe banners when they come down for winter. It is being considered.

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.

Mr. Welch advised that the next meeting will be on Wednesday, August 22, 2018, at 6:30pm.

Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01pm.

Approved by:  
Wade L. Estep, Fiscal Officer

Approved by:  
Jim Welch, Chairman