RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Meeting

Blendon Township Board of Trustees

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held **October 5,** 20 **2016**

Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, here; Mr. Welch, here; Mr. Flaherty, here; Mr. Estep, here. The regular meeting of the Blendon Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30pm. Mrs. Heichel moved to approve and waive the reading of the minutes as presented for the September 21, 2016, meeting. Mr. Welch seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes. Blendon/Westerville Fire Chief also attended. The Purchase Orders and Cemetery Deeds were signed by the Board.

Administrator's Report:
Mr. Rhoads updated the Board on the following: The Westerville Road plans to start excavation and landscape walls next week. Complex construction is coming together. Roadways and drainage are under construction in the cemetery. Paperwork has been signed for the new niches and ossuarium for the cemetery. New playground equipment has been installed in Sunbury Commons Park. Bond meeting this Friday. Meeting with City of Westerville to continue the fiber optic project. MORPC meeting is scheduled for next week. Attended the Solid Waste Consortium and looking at all our options for waste removal.

Communications:

1. ***Update Reports to the Board-*** *E-mailed from the* Directors.

Old Business:

1. ***Community Survey*** **-Mr. Flaherty** discussed that the Board is considering a community survey to determine what the residents of Blendon think, what they like and don't like, and changes they would like to see. The plan is to send a postcard with the option to request a survey or to go online, to cover as many residents as possible. City of Westerville has done this for many years and find it very helpful in determining what their city is doing right and pockets of discontent. We can target the winter or spring newsletter and that would be the best timeline, when people are inside because of the weather and have time to read. We are still collecting pictures for the calendar, along with function dates.

New Business:

1. ***OPEC-HC Benefits Renewal*****-Mr. Estep** discussed with the Board the renewal from Medical Mutual through Ohio Insurances Services. Several options were discussed and Mr. Estep recommended Option 1. Option 1 is a straight out renewal with a 12.4 % increase, and with the employee share, it will help with about 50% of the increase. Mr. Flaherty moved to accept Option 1 as presented by Ohio Insurance Services, maintaining the same coverage through Medical Mutual, with a monthly cost increase of 12.4%, net cost of 3% with employee contribution. Mrs. Heichel, seconded. Roll call: Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes. Mr. Flaherty stated it is still a good option considering other insurance programs. Previous contribution approval stated $50 a month for single, $75 for couples, and $100 for family plans.
2. ***Bond Fiscal Officer Certificates*****-Mr. Estep** discussed with the Board that he is required, as a step in the bond process, to present to the Trustees as Fiscal Officer, a certificate for each of the resolutions to be passed at this meeting. This states the purpose of the bond and the maturity of each bond: Res. 2016-16 is for $5,318,000.00, for projects already in place; Res. 2016-14 is for $693,000.00, for the cemetery improvements; Res. 2016-15 is for $86,000.00, acquiring two police cruisers. No action necessary.

New Business: *continued……*

3. ***Resolution 2016-14- Cemetery Improvements*** **Mr. Welch** moved to approve Resolution 2016-14, providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum principal amount of $693,000.00 for cemetery improvements. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes, Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.
4. ***Resolution 2016-15- Two Police Cruisers*** **Mr. Welch** moved to approve Resolution 2016-15, providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum principal amount of $86,000.00 for the purpose of equipping two police cruisers. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes, Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.
5. ***Resolution 2016-16- Various Infrastructure Projects*** **Mr. Welch** moved to approve Resolution 2016-16, providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of $5,318,000.00 for the purpose of paying the costs of various public infrastructure projects. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes, Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

Mr. Flaherty thanked Mr. Estep for his accurate forecasting of expenditures and appropriation reports with numbers you can trust.

Director/Staff Updates:

Chief Belford discussed that the schools sent letters to parents to please not dress their children as clowns this Halloween, due to the many clown scares happening locally and nationally. The Marcella Road speed problem is more of a high volume of vehicles than speeding problem. With the upcoming paving, we plan to keep the survey in place for before and after comparison numbers. Crash statistics were discussed at a recent ODOT/MORPC meeting concerning 161/Buenos Aires. Most crashes were westbound at the intersection and U-turn issues were a small percentage. With five fatalities in five years, it is #14 on the statics list. We did receive a grant to help cover overtime. Newer signage will be installed and may help. Thirty to ninety days expected on signage.

Mrs. Bowman discussed the Health Fair on October 19th, and is always well received. A brief discussion on opening the Senior Center to handle funeral luncheons. Fees are being considered. Ham & Bean Dinner is planned the 26th October with donations accepted.

Deputy Fire Chief Ross reminded everyone that October 9, 2016 is Open House from 1-4pm and all are welcome at Station #112. Next meeting, October 19th, the new engine will be here on display at 6pm for those interested.

Mr. Giamarco noted the park trails are done. Paving should be wrapped up in a couple weeks. Franklin County is in the process of designing the sidewalk by Sunbury Plaza.

Open Floor:

Mrs. Cordray, 3734 Caracas Dr., discussed Tim Hortons and Glengary Plaza plans.

Mrs. Clegg, 3624 Makassar Dr., discussed the water pipes in the sidewalks.

Mrs. Ricker, 5561 Oslo Drive, discussed a fall Shred-it Day, bridge on Westerville Road. Also discussed was JEDZ and Minerva Park Golf Course.

Mr. Kevin Lewis, with LECET offered his services concerning fair contracting.

Pay bills: Mr. Flaherty moved to pay the bills. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes: Mr. Welch, yes. The attached list of checks was approved for payment. Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm. **Mr. Flaherty** noted that the next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, October 19, 2016, at 6:30pm.

Approved by: _____
Wade L. Estep, *Fiscal Officer*

Approved by: _____
Stewart L. Flaherty, *Chairman*