

Blendon Township Board of Trustees

Held October 19,202016**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 October 5, 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: At the bond presentation meeting, it was suggested that Blendon Township would get a AA rating because of its size. MORPC meeting had the Dean of Engineering for the OSU airport discussing flight training of students and testing drones. JEDZ Board meeting is scheduled for next week. AEP is planning LED lighting in the future and Blendon Township cannot change them.

Communications:**1. Update Reports to the Board- E-mailed from the Directors.****Old Business:**

- 1. Project Updates-Mr. Rhoads** updated the Board on our many projects in the works: May have an eight month waiting period with fiber optics as they are hard to get. Complex is going smooth, landscaping to begin. Cemetery is needing extra piping so taking longer than expected. Crews are working on Westerville Road with walls and landscaping will be done in the spring.

New Business:

- 1. Franklin County NPDES Presentation-Mr. Giamarco** introduced Mr. Nathan Ralph and Mr. Kirk Keljo with the Franklin County NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System). They both presented the Board with a discussion on the impact of household sewage treatment systems on storm water pollution and the six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) basics: public education, participation, illicit discharge, construction site storm water control, post-construction management and development, pollution prevention.

Director/Staff Updates:

Mr. Giamarco discussed that the paving is 80% complete in the township for 2016. AEP is taking the light pole down at Paris and Buenos Aires. Waiting on MP Dory for the skirting on the new poles. Halloween party plans are ready for Saturday.

Fire Chief Miller noted the new engine (brought to our meeting for Trustees to browse) was already in service last night, after fire crew put finishing touches on it. Paving on Schrock and State Roads has started. County Line and Sunbury construction is starting with access for the fire trucks response times considered. Waiting for a response from the Red Cross concerning a program for smoke detectors, hopefully this year.

Mr. Rhoads is hoping for progress at next meeting for the Trash Consortium.

Mr. Estep thanked Mr. Rhoads for his excellent presentation at the bond meeting.

Mrs. Bowman discussed the access of the Senior Center for receptions for family after funerals. The Board was in agreement for \$100 deposit, returned after cleanup, with no time limit during the week, but additional monitor fees if on Saturdays. Mr. Welch suggested a check list for the customer. Mrs. Heichel noted it was a nice idea and service to offer. Advisory Council election is starting. Excellent turnout for the Health Fair with approximately 75 members and 20 vendors. Next Wednesday, October 26th, 4:30- 6:00pm, is our all-you-can-eat Ham & Bean dinner for \$6.00.

Chief Belford noted the Ohio Department of Transportation signs installed at 161 and Buenos Aires with a press release to inform the public. With Trump and Clinton in town and the Columbus Marathon, there was a delay in the release. Grant received for area speed enforcement was received. Tuesday, October 25 @ 6:30pm, at the Senior Center, a meeting is planned for our Heroin and Prescription Drug Outreach Program. Many law enforcement agencies and the County Coroner are attending. Self-Defense Course is also offered for up to 20 attendants on November 5th.

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Open Floor:

Mrs. Kristy Meyer, 6572 Sagebrush Ct., discussed with the Board what we can do to improve our drinking water in our community and schools. Raingardens throughout the watershed as a suggestion. Replacing asphalt with gardens as another suggestion. Mr. Flaherty suggested placing articles in our quarterly newsletter with ideas and projects. Any specific articles that you think would help us help the community, and would be appreciated. Mr. Flaherty asked for some guidance and to get in touch with Trustee Heichel regarding the newsletter. Mr. Welch welcomed her experience and voice in this endeavor.

Mrs. Cordray, 3734 Caracas Dr., discussed the upcoming Halloween Party and thanked those in the room for signing up to help. Many donations have come in to help with the costs and raffle prizes. Also, Mrs. Corday presented Chief Belford with a \$100.00 check donation from HRAA to cover candy distributed on Beggars Night. Mr. Flaherty moved to accept the \$100.00 to our Police Department for candy to be distributed on Beggars Night. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, abstain.

Mrs. Ricker, 5561 Oslo Dr., discussed putting together a demographic survey to help identify the disabled and handicapped, so the community and Board could help our residents stay in their homes. Mr. Flaherty noted it was a very good idea.

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, November 2, 2016, at 6:30pm.

Approved by:


Wade L. Estep, Fiscal Officer

Approved by:


Stewart L. Flaherty, Chairman