

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Blendon Township Board of Trustees

Minutes of

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

January 05,

2022

Held

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Call to Order at 6:30pm by Chairman Welch – Pledge of Allegiance

Oath of Office – Oath of office was administered to Trustee Jan Heichel and Trustee Cathy Shinaberry by Fiscal Officer Shawn Smith.

Roll Call: Mr. Smith, here. Mrs. Heichel, here. Mr. Welch, here. Mrs. Shinaberry, here. Administrator Rhoads, Fire Chief Brian Miller, and Chief Belford were also in attendance.

Election of Chairman – Mr. Welch moved to appoint Mrs. Heichel as Chairman for 2022. Mrs. Heichel seconded. All voted yes.

Election of Vice-Chairman – Mrs. Heichel moved to appoint Mrs. Shinaberry as Vice-Chairman for 2022. Mr. Welch seconded. All voted yes. The meeting was then handed over to Mrs. Heichel.

Minutes – Mrs. Heichel asked if the board was able to review the minutes for December 22, 2021. Mr. Welch moved to approve the minutes as presented and waive the formal reading. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Mrs. Heichel, yes. Mr. Welch, yes. Mrs. Shinaberry, abstain.

Administrators Report- Mr. Rhoads updated the board on a variety of topics including the purchase of 4079 Executive Parkway, the Nationwide Children’s Hospital toy drive, and employee programs in relation to COVID. Mr. Rhoads advised the board Mr. Flaherty would like to help with the new building renovations and Mr. Rhoads is talking with township attorneys to determine the best way for him to participate and be covered under our liability insurance.

Communications – Mrs. Heichel advised the board that she received a complaint about Rumpke and the recent contract price increase.

New Business

1. **Resolution 2022-01-** Mr. Rhoads asked the board to pass this resolution which re-hires Metz, Bailey, McLoughlin law firm for 2022. Mr. Welch moved to pass the resolution and Mrs. Shinaberry seconded. All voted yes.
2. **Resolution 2022-02-** Mr. Rhoads asked the board to pass this resolution which re-hires Brosius, Johnson, Griggs law firm for 2022. Mr. Welch moved to pass the resolution with a \$20,000 ceiling on expenditures. Mrs. Heichel seconded. All voted yes.
3. **Nuisance Resolution NU-01-2022-** Mr. Rhoads asked the board to pass this resolution pertaining to trash issues at 3524 Rangoon Drive. Mr. Welch moved pass the resolution and Mrs. Shinaberry seconded. All voted yes.

Old Business

1. **Digital Signatures** – Mrs. Heichel asked that the board revisit digital signatures on township checks and purchase orders. The board authorized digital signatures due to the COVID pandemic and she would like to entertain reverting back to hand signatures. After further discussion the board decided to keep digital signatures if they receive a payment report at least 48 hours prior to the checks being mailed. The board would also like updated reports on cemetery deeds and burials.

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Director/Staff Updates- Chief Belford discussed the 24-hour state training requirement this year for officers. The training is available online and mandatory for all officers. Mr. Smith advised the board about upcoming budget resolutions and preparations for the upcoming audit. Fire Chief Miller reminded everyone to get dry Christmas trees out of homes as soon as possible because they are very dangerous.

Open Floor – Delana Ciamacco, 4531 E. Walnut Street, congratulated Mrs. Shinaberry on her election win. Ms. Ciamacco also asked about the Rumpke complaint Mrs. Heichel mentioned. Mrs. Heichel advised it was from a resident who was upset with the contract increase. The board asked Administrator Rhoads to generate a report for the website which outlines our public bidding process. **Sharon Ricker**, 5561 Oslo Drive, suggested the board use more social media to engage citizens about topics related to Rumpke. Mrs. Shinaberry advised she intends to improve on social media using Facebook, our website, and township newsletters. Mrs. Ricker also asked about citizen patrols. Chief Belford updated her about civil liability precautions. **Carolyn Cordray**, 3734 Caracas Drive, asked Chief Belford about a car which was tagged on Paris Blvd. It has been sitting for a while. Chief Belford advised her on Blendon polices and going the extra mile to find the owners before the car is towed. **Pam Clegg**, 3614 Makassar Drive, advised the board she is upset with the street sweeping crews. They do not seem to be going all the way to the curb. Mrs. Heichel advised we will investigate and consider these comments before signing the next contracts.

Bills- Mr. Welch motioned to pay the bills. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Mrs. Heichel, yes. Mr. Welch, yes. Mrs. Shinaberry, abstain.

Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm.

Approved by:

Shawn Smith, Fiscal Officer



Approved by:

Jan Heichel, Chairman

