

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Blendon Township Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 1014B

Held September 4

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairperson Heichel. She welcomed everyone in attendance.

Trustee Heichel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present

Chair Heichel, Vice-Chair Shinaberry, Trustee Ciamacco.

Also in attendance were John Belford, Police Chief; Matt Newman, Service Department; Pat Myers, Administrator; and Brian Miller, Fire Chief.

Public Comment

Time was permitted for meeting attendees to make comments.

Trustee Comments

Trustee Heichel— Trustee Heichel thanked the Blendon staff and Police for their dedication and assistance with Blendon's Free Community Summer Concert Series and Car Show. She noted that they successfully held their final concert of the season, with two concerts in Ridgewood Park and one at Sunbury Woods Commons. All events were well-attended. She also gave a special thank you to the residents for their support. The residents of Sunbury Woods have already requested another concert next year, a suggestion that both Trustee Ciamacco and Trustee Shinaberry were supportive of and excited about. In addition, they would like to hold events in all areas of Blendon Township.

Trustee Shinaberry— Trustee Shinaberry reported that one of the car show exhibitors, a Blendon Township resident, brought his drone to the car show and took footage of the event. He graciously made a video of the footage and was willing to share it with the township. You can view it on our official township Facebook page and the Blendon Township website under the Residents tab. She also announced that as part of our work to improve our parks, the purchase of exercise equipment for Ridgewood Park and an ADA-compliant swing for Phelps Acre Park were approved at the February 28, 2024, Board of Trustees meeting with ARPA funds, and the exercise equipment has now been installed at Ridgewood Park. The fully compliant ADA swing and path were already added a few months ago to Phelps Acre Park, and she has seen all of it being used.

Trustee Ciamacco— Trustee Ciamacco thanked those residents who continue to send their water bills and hardship letters and also encourage their friends and neighbors who live in the township to send them, as well. Her goal is to have at least 100 and she is still far from that goal. Please continue to send your hardship letters, and as many bills as possible to dciamacco@blendontwp.org.

Fiscal Officer Report -Introduced by Chairperson Heichel

Minutes—Trustee Heichel asked the other Trustees if they had reviewed the Minutes from the August 19, 2024, meeting. Trustee Shinaberry made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes on August 19, 2024. Trustee Heichel seconded. All voted yes.

Trustee Heichel asked the other Trustees if they had reviewed the Minutes from the August 21, 2024, meeting. Trustee Shinaberry made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes on August 21, 2024. Trustee Ciamacco seconded. All voted yes.

Approval of Purchase Orders—Trustee Heichel asked the other Trustees if they had reviewed the Purchase Orders presented. Trustee Shinaberry moved to approve Purchase Orders as presented. Trustee Ciamacco seconded. All voted yes.

Bills—Trustee Heichel asked the other Trustees if they had reviewed the bills presented. Trustee Shinaberry made a motion to approve the bills. Trustee Ciamacco seconded. All voted yes.

Administration

Accept Donations— Administrator Myers requested that the Board accept \$203.00 from the 50/50 raffle at the Summer Concert and \$87.00 in food donations from the Concert and car show for a total of \$290.00. Trustee Shinaberry moved to accept the donations as presented. Trustee Ciamacco seconded. All voted yes.

Accept Donations— Administrator Myers requested that the Board accept \$5,875.58 from the McVay Foundation for the Senior Center. Trustee Shinaberry moved to accept the donation as presented. Trustee Ciamacco seconded. All voted yes. All of the trustees graciously thank the McVay Foundation for their generosity.

Resolution 2024-32 Acknowledgement of TIF Compliance from the TIRC meeting held on 8/27/2024 with the Franklin County Auditor— Administrator Myers presented the Resolution 2024-32 to the Board. Trustees Heichel and Shinaberry, Fiscal Officer Bury, and Administrator Myers all attended the annual TIRC meeting as requested by Franklin County Auditor, Mike Stinziano. Auditor Stinziano stated the TIF was found to be in compliance. This TIF is for the Sheetz Gas/Convenient Store, 6051 Emerick Road that opened last fall. Funds have not yet been generated because of its opening date. The rules of the TIF revenue state the funds are to be paid on our Westerville Road Bonds or our Westerville Road Corridor. Trustee Shinaberry moved to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Ciamacco seconded. All voted yes.

Compost Exchange Program Update—Administrator Myers stated that Darien from the Compost Exchange is putting together materials to promote the program, which will be active October 1st. Currently, they are offering this program only to Huber Ridge residents.

Human Resources—Administrator Myers stated that Chris Ortlieb is back at work after his wife had their baby.

Maintenance/B&G/Parks/Cemetery— Matt Newman thanked all the volunteers who helped at Concert in the Park and also the volunteers who pulled the honeysuckle out of Ridgewood Park.

Police—None to report.

Fire— Chief Miller stated that they applied for and received a grant of \$215,249.09 for a diesel exhaust system in all three fire stations. They will be installed within the next year. He also stated that Jordan Smith was promoted to Lieutenant at Station 112.

Announcements

Wednesday, September 18, 2024, will be the next Board of Trustees Meeting at 6:30 PM at the same location, 6330 Hempstead Rd., Westerville, Ohio, and live streamed on YouTube.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Trustee Shinaberry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 PM. Trustee Ciamacco seconded the motion. All voted yes.

Approved by:

Jan Heichel, Chairperson

Approved by:

Joann Bury, Fiscal Officer