

January 14, 2025 Regular Meeting
Bethel Township Trustees
3333 Lake Road
7:00 p.m.

Welcome, pledge and prayer: Led by Trustee Alec Ashbaugh at 7:03pm

In Attendance: Trustees Chris Crowley, Alec Ashbaugh, Nancy Brown, Fiscal Officer Stacey McKenzie, Road Supervisor Bryan Stastny, Township Administrator Rhonda Ledford.

Announcements: There will be a public hearing on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 10:00am at 3130 E. Main St., Springfield, Room 151. The purpose is for the rezoning of the Hopkins / Martin Chevrolet building from a B-3 (general business) to a B-4 (heavy business).

Citizens Comments related to the agenda: Mr. Don Wallace inquired if the meetings and publications of the budget were available to the public. Rhonda Ledford stated that the meetings are published on the Bethel Township website.

Trustee Brown moved to accept the agenda. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley moved to pay the bills, check numbers 68590 through 68614, and AHC deductions 1-2025 through 58-2025 in the amount of \$110,364.15. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley moved to dispense with the reading and accept the minutes from the close-out meeting on December 30, 2024, and the re-organization meeting on January 2, 2025. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Joe Garrett discussed the continued aggregate program for the electric service in Bethel Township.

Trustee Brown motioned to accept the resolution with Trebel to continue participation in the aggregate program. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley motioned to allow Chairman to sign on behalf of the Bethel Township Trustees in matters of participation in the aggregate program. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Administration:

The storage building that was ordered for the administration office will be delivered on February 3, 2025. It will be set next to the fire department's barn on the south side of the building.

A new Ricoh IM-C2510 printer was delivered today, January 14, 2025.

Road:

The portable Generac generator was delivered today, January 14, 2025.

Police:

Nothing noted.

Fire:

Nothing noted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Administration:

The quotes for the internet service at Raynor Park and Bethel Township Community Center have been received. This was tabled for additional research.

Trustee Crowley motioned to accept the temporary appropriations for 2025, in the total amount of \$5,172,749.48. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Brown motioned to participate in the 2025 Roadway Resurfacing contract with the Clark County Engineers Office. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley motioned to approve the contract for snow removal for Springfield Metropolitan Housing development. The cost is in accordance with the 2023 FEMA guidelines and will be \$238.51 per hour plus road salt at \$67.55 per ton. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Police:

Stats for December 2024 – Only one deputy for December.

Calls: 43 Assists: 8 Reports: 4 Traffic Stops: 5 Citations: 1 Warnings: 4

Arrests: 2 Follow-ups: 1 Traffic Crashes: 1 Stolen Vehicles: 0

Road:

Trustee Brown motioned to approve the following quotes from Tru-Quality Services. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

1. #25-000014 Right-of-way poles, culverts, guardrails and road garage where equipment is stored. \$2,100.00
2. #25-000015 All 11 of our cemeteries and fence lines surrounding them. \$1,700.00.
3. #25-000016 Park Layne Manor curbs. \$1,050.00.
4. #25-000017 Ball diamonds at Donnelsville and Medlake, around chain link fence and under bleachers, two times a year. \$750.00.

Road Supervisor Stastny stated that leaf pick up was almost completed.

Fire:

Trustee Brown motioned to promote Brayden Peake from Firefighter to Lieutenant for the Bethel Township Fire Department. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Brown motioned to approve the purchase of 10 sets of Bunker gear for the Bethel Township Fire Department. The cost will be \$4,915.00 each with a total of \$49,150.00. (By purchasing now, we are locking in last years prices.) Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley motioned to reimburse Paige Printz for Paramedic classes in the amount of \$911.42. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley motioned to enter into a clinical affiliation agreement between the Bethel Township Fire Department and Clark State Community College. Clinical study provides the capability for learning experienced and recognizes the professional responsibility of teaching students who are interested in assisting the institution. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Special & Work Sessions:

Trustee Brown moved to set a work / special work session on January 21, 2025 at 6:30pm. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes. Discussion will be 2025 Goals.

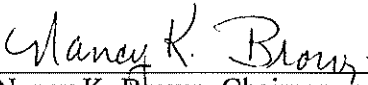
CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Citizen Don Wallace discussed the difficulty of hiring quality people, as Clark County has one of the lowest employment rates in the state of Ohio. He suggested that 2025 goals discussed in Work session should include competitive pay scales for employees.

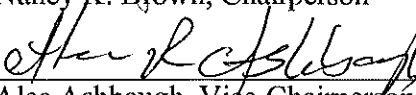
Mr. Wallace again suggested an economic impact study.

There was discussion of the Rumpke proposed development. Trustee Ashbaugh stated that everything was completed regarding Rumpke's plans to place a recycling station at the location, and that all that was waiting on was an EPA study, which was not likely to change the plans for development.

Trustee Ashbaugh moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.



Nancy K. Brown, Chairperson



Alec Ashbaugh, Vice Chairperson



Chris Crowley, Member



Stacey L. McKenzie, Fiscal Officer

Minutes taken and transcribed by Stacey McKenzie, Fiscal Officer