January 23, 2024 Meeting

Bethel Township Trustees 3333 Lake Road 7:00 p.m.

Welcome and pledge: Led by Trustee Nancy Brown

Prayer: Led by Nancy Brown

In Attendance: Trustees Nancy Brown and Alec Ashbaugh, Fiscal Officer Stacey McKenzie, Assistant Fire Chief Brian Ludwick, Township Administrator Rhonda Ledford and Road Supervisor Bryan Stastny

Announcements: On January 29, 2024, there will be a joint meeting between Tecumseh Local Schools, the City of New Carlisle, and Bethel Township. The meeting is scheduled for 6:00pm at Bethel Township.

Citizen comments relating to agenda items.

24-01-23-01 Trustee Alex Ashbaugh moves to accept the agenda. Second by Nancy Brown. R/C: All ayes.

24-01-23-02 Trustee Nancy Brown moves to pay the bills, check numbers 67644 through 67672 and ACH deductions 34-2024 through 91-2024 in the amount of \$57,836.87. Second by Trustee Alex Ashbaugh. R/C: All ayes.

24-01-23-03 Trustee Alex Ashbaugh moves to dispense with reading and accept the minutes from the January 9, 2024 meeting. Second by Trustee Nancy Brown. R/C: All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS

Administrative

NEW BUSINESS

24-01-23-05 Truste Nancy Brown introduces Greta Kremer from the Tecumseh Land Trust, who presented Trustees with a resolution of support regarding the OT Farms agricultural easement using federal and state funding programs. OT Farms is a 81 acre property located at 9316 W. National Rd., New Carlisle, OH, 45344. The resolution would ensure that the 81 acre farm would remain "CAUV" agricultural use. Trustee Alex Ashbaugh inquired who would pay for any legal fees if there were to be any future problems. Representatives from Tecumseh Land Trust answered that any financial support would be from The Tecumseh Land Trust, Department of Agriculture and other state and federal agencies.

Trustee Alex Ashbaugh makes motion to adopt the resolution. Second by Nancy Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Administrative

24-01-23-06 Trustee Nancy Brown makes a motion to pass a resolution to declare the following properties a nuisance and to be abated through the Clark County Auditor's Officer. Second by Trustee Alec Ashbaugh. R/C: All ayes.

Properties include:

5578 W. National Rd. Several inoperable vehicles are parked around the house. Deputy has been on scene.

23-01-23-07 Trustee Alex Ashbaugh makes a motion to approve that the Arrows Competitive cheer team use the BTCC to host a chili cook-off as a fundraiser on February 17, 2024 (with alternate date of March 16, 2024). Second by Nancy Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Police:

Calls:

Assists:

Reports:

Traffic Stop:

Citations:

Warnings:

Arrests:

Follow-ups:

Traffic crash:

Stolen Cars:

Fire:

24-01-23-07 Trustee Alex Ashbaugh makes a motion to pass a resolution to approve the pay upgrade for the following individuals:

Firefighter Gabrielle Croghan will go to FF2/EMT Basic pay rate of \$16.50 per hour. Effective immediately.

Firefighter Nate Scholastico will go to FF1/EMT Basic pay rate of \$15.50 per hour. Effective immediately.

Second by Trustee Nancy Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Road:

24-01-23-08 Trustee Alex Ashbaugh makes a motion to pass a resolution to participate in the Clark County paving, chip & seal, and marking contracts. Second by Trustee Nancy Brown. R/C: All ayes.

24-01-23-09 Trustee Nancy Brown makes a motion to accept the quote from Done Wright Door in the amount of \$614.52 to repair the overhead door on the east side of the building at the road garage. Second by Trustee Alec Ashbaugh. R/C: All ayes.

24-01-23-10 Road Supervisor Bryan Stastny requested permission to purchase a leaf blower (Approx, \$300.00), pole chain saw (Approx. \$700.00) and 4 tires for truck (\$784 for tires and labor). Trustee Nancy Brown makes motion to approve purchases. Second by Alex Ashbaugh. R/C: All ayes.

Road Supervisor Bryan Stastny also inquired about damaged concrete picnic tables and climbing wall at Raynor Park, dash cams for snow plows and wooden stop signs at Shawnee Springs. Trustee Nancy Brown said she would look into it.

Work Session

24-01-23-11 Trustee Nancy Brown moves to set a work/special session on January 30, 2024 at 6:30pm to discuss Chip & Seal road contracts followed by work session. Second by Trustee Alex Ashbaugh. R/C: All ayes.

Citizen comments open forum.

Mr. Don Wallace expressed concern over the unsightly appearance of properties on Spangler Road, entering Medway.

Christopher Clark introduced himself to the township as candidate for Clark County Sheriff.

Trustee Nancy Brown moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm Second by Trustee Alex Ashbaugh. R/C: All ayes.

Nancy K. Brown, Chairperson

Alec Ashbaugh, Vice Chairperson

Chris Crowley, Member

Stacey I. McKenzie, Fiscal Officer

Minutes taken and transcribed by Stacey McKenzie, Fiscal Officer

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