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The Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees met in regular session at the Bainbridge Town Hall on February 24, 2014. Those present were trustees Mrs. Lorrie Sass Benza, Mr. Christopher Horn, and Mr. Jeffrey S. Markley and Fiscal Officer Mrs. Cherianne H. Measures. Mrs. Benza presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Benza made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the discipline and employment of public employees, per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1).

Mr. Markley seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The trustees recessed their regular meeting at 6:03 P.M. in order to go into executive session.

The trustees returned from executive session, after discussing the discipline and employment of public employees, reconvening their regular meeting at 7:00 P.M.

DEMONSTRATION OF STRYKER POWER LIFT SYSTEM

The trustees moved their meeting to the Fire Station to view a demonstration of the Stryker Power Lift System, which the Fire Department has a purchase order request on the agenda for tonight's meeting to purchase three complete systems. The Bainbridge Fire Department has received a grant from the Bureau of Workers Compensation for the purchase of one system in order to reduce the potential for back injuries during patient loading and unloading.

Ms. Allyson Wright, with Stryker EMS Equipment, went over the various components of the system and explained the benefits of the Power Load Systems. She then showed the trustees how the system works. Mr. Anthony Martin lay on the cot and the cot was loaded into the ambulance. Ms. Wright went on to demonstrate the unloading process.

PRESENTATION BY GUESTS

Steve Ciciretto & Mike Weber Fire Station Update

While at the Fire Station, the group went to the maintenance room where the boilers are located. Mr. Steve Ciciretto went over the gas issues that have come up during the extremely cold temperatures. He explained that there were two boilers that were moved from Centerville Mills approximately five years ago. The aquastat sensor attached to one of the boilers was malfunctioning. Mr. Ciciretto recommended replacing the two boilers with one residential hot water heater to meet the needs on that side of the building.

The group then travelled to the Town Hall to continue the meeting.

MINUTES

The minutes from the trustees' February 10, 2014 regular meeting were approved as submitted. The minutes from the trustees' February 17, 2014 special meeting were approved as submitted.

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DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Jon Bokovitz presented the monthly report for the Police Department for the month of January, 2014.

Chief Bokovitz stated that calls are down, most likely due to the extreme temperatures. This is the time of year that his officers will complete most of their continuing education.

As the weather improves, be advised that any door to door sales people must have a valid Transient Vendors License. You as the resident have every right to ask to see their transient vendors license, which they should be able to provide to you for review. Otherwise, they most likely will leave. If not, call the Police Department and someone will be out to investigate.

PRESENTATION BY GUESTS

Steve Ciciretto & Mike Weber Fire Station Update

Discussions continued between the trustees and Mr. Ciciretto regarding the recent gas issues and the steps to resolve the issues. In addition to replacing the boilers with a residential hot water heater, the trustees should request a reading to verify the flow from the street to the meter is adequate.

Mrs. Benza asked Assistant Chief Wayne Burge if he was aware of any other concerns. AC Burge expressed concern over the condensation dripping from the bay heaters, but John G. Johnson is already addressing the issue.

An evaluation of the service provided by the boilers to be replaced will need to be completed in order for Ciciretto and John G. Johnson to assist with an appropriate recommendation for the replacement water heater.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

FISCAL OFFICE – NEW BUSINESS

Purchase Order Approval

Mr. Horn made a motion to approve the purchase order list as prepared by the Fiscal Officer.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The list as presented is as follows:

Purchase Order Approval Requests

1. Stryker EMS Equipment – 3 Power Pro Ambulance Cots & Power Load Systems – \$124,844.08 (EMS)
2. Hall Public Safety Co. – Outfitting of 3 New Vehicles – \$25,279.77 (Police)
3. Republic Services – Dumpsters for Clean Up Days – \$3,200.00 (Roads)
4. VanCuren Services – Stafford Road Tree Clearing – \$26,800.00 (Roads)
5. Dash Tree Services – Snyder Road Tree Clearing – \$13,500.00 (Roads)

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Invoice Approval

Mrs. Benza made a motion to approve the invoice for Chagrin River Watershed Partners in the amount of \$4,414.00 from the General Fund for the township's Annual Membership.

Mr. Markley seconded the motion. Vote followed: Mrs. Benza, aye; Mr. Horn, abstain; Mr. Markley, aye. Motion passed.

2014 Township Annual Appropriations

Mr. Horn made a motion to adopt the 2014 Township Annual Appropriation Resolution, as prepared by the Fiscal Officer.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion. Vote followed: Mr. Horn, aye; Mr. Markley, aye; Mrs. Benza, aye.

Note: A copy of said Annual Appropriations is attached to, and becomes a permanent part of, these minutes.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – NEW BUSINESS

Professional Training Request

Mr. Markley made a motion to approve the professional training request for Chief Brian Phan to attend the annual Ohio Fire Chief's Conference to be held March 18-19, 2014 in Columbus, OH at a cost of \$320.00, per the recommendation of the Fire Chief.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Professional Training Request

Mr. Horn made a motion to approve the professional training request for Firefighter Phil Anders to participate in an online course for Fire Officer II at Cuyahoga Community College from March 17, 2014 to May 9, 2014 at a cost of \$500.00 each, per the recommendation of the Fire Chief.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Professional Training Request

Mr. Markley made a motion to approve the professional training request for Firefighter Scott Tinlin to participate in an online course for Fire Officer II at Cuyahoga Community College from March 17, 2014 to May 9, 2014 at a cost of \$500.00 each, per the recommendation of the Fire Chief.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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Discipline of Public Employee

Mr. Horn made a motion to issue a suspension of 90 days without pay commencing upon the service of the decision on said employee and prohibited from driving any township vehicle for a period of one year from the date of his return to service following his suspension, pursuant to discussions held in executive session.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – NEW BUSINESS

Professional Training Request

Mr. Horn made a motion to approve the professional training request for K9 Officer Jon Newcomb to attend interdiction training to be held in Columbus, OH on July 15-17, 2014 at a cost of \$750.00, per the recommendation of the Police Chief.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT – NEW BUSINESS

Discipline of Public Employee

Mr. Markley made a motion to approve the discipline of a public employee pursuant to discussion held in executive session for said employee to include suspension of six days without pay, with referral to the EAP for assessment, as well as a reduction in the hourly wage from \$20.40 to \$15.40 until such time that the necessary certification is reinstated, with the matter to be reviewed upon conclusion of the employee's pending traffic case.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Discipline of Public Employee

Mr. Markley made a motion to approve the discipline of a public employee pursuant to discussion held in executive session for said employee to include suspension of three days without pay, with referral to the EAP for assessment.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

TOWN HALL – NEW BUSINESS

Wage Range Annual Adjustment

Mr. Horn stated that the pay ranges were established in 2012 and asked the board to consider the pay rates of non-bargaining employees.

The trustees were in general agreement to adjust the pay ranges upward by 1.5%, to be reviewed at the next meeting for adoption.

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Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District

Mr. Markley made a motion to approve a purchase order and invoice for Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District in the amount of \$3,000.00 for the township's annual contribution to the organization for 2014.

Mrs. Benza seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Girl Scout Gold Award Proclamation

The trustees affixed their signatures to a Proclamation for Miss Nicole Kovach commending her achievement of the Girl Scout Gold Award.

The trustees affixed their signatures to a Proclamation for Miss Rachel Sauder commending her achievement of the Girl Scout Gold Award.

ZONING DEPARTMENT – NEW BUSINESS

Moving Ohio Forward Program Statewide Phase II Agreement

Mr. Markley made a motion to approve the agreement between Bainbridge Township and the State of Ohio for the second phase of the Moving Ohio Forward Program, authorizing the chairman to execute said agreement, per the recommendation of the Zoning Inspector.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MARCH MEETING SCHEDULE

The trustees were in general agreement to meet as regularly scheduled on March 10, 2014, to cancel the regularly scheduled meeting on March 24, 2014 and schedule a special meeting to conduct the business of the township on March 31, 2014.

CHECKS DATED FEBRUARY 11, 2014 THROUGH FEBRUARY 24, 2014

The trustees examined and signed checks and electronic payments dated February 11, 2014 through February 24, 2014 consisting of warrants 20909 through 21034 for a total amount of \$410,153.89, including payroll for January 25, 2014 through February 7, 2014 in the amount of \$145,759.21.

NOTE: A register of said checks is attached to, and becomes a permanent part of these minutes.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Bainbridge Township Board of Zoning Appeals minutes from January 16, 2014 meeting
Bainbridge Township Cemetery Board minutes from the January 8, 2014 meeting
South Franklin Circle Dialogue Series Announcement
Resident Letter from Andy Natale that accompanied a US flag to the Fire Department
O’Toole McLaughlin Dooley Pecora Announcement welcoming John Latchney as partner
Chagrin River Watershed Partners meeting agenda and minutes
Park Place Technologies Letter announcing relocation of offices
Western Reserve Land Conservancy Winter 2014 Newsletter
Chagrin River Watershed Partners 2013 Annual Report

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Benza made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the employment of public employees and collective bargaining strategies, per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1)and(4).

Mr. Markley seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The trustees recessed their regular meeting at 8:50 P.M. in order to go into executive session.

The trustees returned from executive session, after discussing the employment of public employees and collective bargaining strategies, reconvening their regular meeting at 10:00 P.M.

Since there was no further business to come before this meeting of the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cherianne H. Measures,
Fiscal Officer, Bainbridge Township

Date

Date

Date

Minutes Read: _____

Minutes Approved: _____