

BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Budget Workshop
April 19, 2017
APPROVED

CALL TO ORDER: The Budget Workshop meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:05 a.m. on April 19, 2017 at the Township Hall, 2121 County Road 633, Grawn, MI, to prepare for the operations of the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

ROLL CALL: Members present: Blonshine, Kucera, Fitzpatrick, Wolfgang, Clous, Zeits and Campbell. Also in attendance were Fire Chief Jim Carroll, EMS Director Dan O'Brien and one guest.

Health Insurance was discussed.

Moved by Zeits second by Kucera to stay with the same Priority Health plan that is currently in effect and go out for bids for health insurance in December of 2017 for the next fiscal year.

Yes: Fitzpatrick, Zeits, Clous, Blonshine, Wolfgang, Clous and Kucera. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Wolfgang second by Clous to offer both BCBS Dental and Delta Dental plans. **Yes:** Zeits, Campbell, Blonshine, Wolfgang, Clous, Kucera and Fitzpatrick. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

The 2017/2018 meeting schedule was discussed. Board member Wolfgang recommended changing the Public Hearing date for the 2018/2019 budget to May 8, 2018. Board member Campbell recommended changing the budget workshop dates to Wednesdays in March.

Moved by Wolfgang second by Blonshine to approve the 2017/2018 Meeting Schedule for all boards with the following changes:

Budget meetings to be held every Wednesday in March.

Public Hearing on the budget to be held May 8, 2018.

Motion carried.

Paid Holidays for the fiscal year were discussed.

Moved by Fitzpatrick second by Zeits to approve the 2017/2018 paid holiday schedule for full-time non-union employees. **Motion carried.**

The Schedule of Fees was reviewed.

Moved by Fitzpatrick second by Wolfgang to approve the Schedule of Fees with the following changes:

Under Notary Fees and Pavilion Rental Fees the “Resident” rates should be “Resident/Taxpayer” rates.

Yes: Kucera, Clous, Wolfgang, Blonshine, Campbell, Zeits, and Fitzpatrick. **No:** None.

Motion carried.

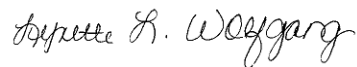
IT Services and phone system were discussed. The difference between two of the quotes for servers needs to be clarified. Board member Fitzpatrick suggested that the three people who use the services bring a recommendation to the rest of the board.

Dissolution of the Fire Board was discussed. Supervisor Blonshine will contact the Township Attorney to find out what the process for doing this is.

Per diems for ZBA, Planning Commission and Board of Review will stay the same. Wages for part time EMT/FF and Paramedic/FF were discussed.

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ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned 12:15 pm.



Lynette L. Wolfgang
Township Clerk