

BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting
May 30, 2017
6:00 P.M.
APPROVED

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was held at 6:00 P.M. on May 30, 2017 at the Township Hall and was called to order by Supervisor Blonshine.

OPENING CEREMONIES: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Members Present: Campbell, Clous, Blonshine, Wolfgang, Fitzpatrick, Zeits, and Kucera. Also in attendance were Medical Director Dan O'Brien, Fire Chief Jim Carroll, Water Operator Pat Gallagher and one guest.

LIMITED PUBLIC INPUT:

There was none.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Wolfgang second by Clous to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion carried.**

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None stated.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Convert from Fire Recovery to Accu-Med for EMS Billing

EMS Director Dan O'Brien reported that Fire Recovery has sent their notice to terminate service via registered letter, effective June 15. He stated that he had been researching other options for billing services, but a dispute regarding payment for intercepts resulted in Fire Recovery's termination notice. Dan also stated that the contract has been reviewed by the Township Attorney.

Moved by Wolfgang second by Zeits to authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract with Accu-Med for EMS billing for a period of three year, and to include Accu-Med on the post-audit list. **Yes:** Clous, Blonshine, Wolfgang, Fitzpatrick, Zeits, Kucera, and Campbell. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

b. Intercept Agreements

Moved by Wolfgang second by Clous to allow the EMS Director to negotiate new intercept agreements and authorize the Supervisor and EMS Director to sign them. **Yes:** Blonshine, Wolfgang, Fitzpatrick, Zeits, Kucera, Campbell, and Clous. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

c. Township Auditor/Conversion to BS & A

The Clerk explained that because of the way her Quickbooks program was originally set up, there is some work that needs to be done prior to converting to BS & A. She would like Tobin & Co. to help with this because they know the history of how things have been done in the past and the Clerk is concerned with getting the new software set up correctly this time. The Department of Treasury also has a new Uniform Chart of Accounts that needs to be in place before the conversion and she would like Tobin & Co. to review her work on that. There was discussion regarding the Treasurer's opinion that it is illegal and unethical for Tobin & Co. to be doing this work and performing the audit.

Moved by Wolfgang second by Zeits to hire Tobin & Co. to assist the Clerk with the conversion to BS & A software and the new Uniform Chart of Accounts, at an hourly rate to be determined by Tobin & Co. and the Township Supervisor, not to exceed \$3,000.00 total. **Yes:** Wolfgang, Fitzpatrick, Zeits, Kucera, Clous and Blonshine. **No:** Campbell. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Wolfgang second by Clous to hire Tobin & Co. to perform the FY 2016-2017 audit.

The Treasurer stated that if Tobin & Co. performs the audit, she will not participate or provide them with any information needed during the course of the audit. She was informed by the Clerk that legally she has to provide them with the information.

The Treasurer also accused the Clerk, numerous times, of lying to her regarding this item being on the agenda for this meeting

Yes: Fitzpatrick, Zeits, Kucera, Clous, Blonshine, and Wolfgang. **No:** Campbell. **Motion carried.**

d. Milfoil Special Assessment

The Clerk explained that there is a large surplus of monies in the Milfoil Fund and legally the Township cannot keep more than 5% of the total special assessment. She stated that the Township Attorney recommended not collecting the assessment until which time the fund balance has been brought down to an acceptable level.

Moved by Wolfgang second by Fitzpatrick to not collect the Milfoil Special Assessment on the winter 2017 tax bill and inform affected residents via an insert with the winter tax bill. **Yes:** Kucera, Clous, Wolfgang, Blonshine, Campbell, Zeits, and Fitzpatrick. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

e. Letter to Leelanau Redi Mix

Supervisor Blonshine drafted a letter to Leelanau Redi Mix outlining the Township's concerns regarding their installation of a service line to a residence on May 8, 2017. The letter informed Leelanau Redi Mix that they will no longer be permitted to conduct any work on the Township's water and/or sewer systems.

Moved by Wolfgang second by Clous to authorize the Supervisor to send letter to Leelanau Redi Mix on the board's behalf and remove them from the Township's acceptable contractor list.
Motion carried.

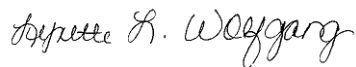
f. Resolution #2017-16 to Apply for Grant from Michigan Par Plan

The Fire Chief explained that he was applying for funding for Fire Inspector I & II, and Plan Reviewer Classes. He stated he would like to send an employee for Fire Inspector I, and he would take Fire Inspector II and Plan Reviewer.

Moved by Kucera second by Fitzpatrick to adopt Resolution #2017-16 to Apply for Grant from Michigan Par Plan. **Yes:** Zeits, Kucera, Campbell, Clous, Blonshine, Wolfgang, and Fitzpatrick. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC INPUT: Duane Boroughf, 2208 Grouse Drive stated that the board needs to work together and also spoke regarding how Jonathan from Tobin & Co. was treated by the Treasurer at the last meeting. He was interrupted several times by the Treasurer and had to ask her to let him speak numerous times.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:06pm



Lynette Wolfgang
Township Clerk