

Blendon Township Board Meeting
February 21, 2022
7:00 pm

1. **The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm** by supervisor Kevin Peters.
2. **Invocation** was given by supervisor Kevin Peters.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited by all in attendance.

4. **Roll Call:**

PRESENT: Kevin Peters
Robin Overway
Greg Golembiewski
Jeff Meyer
Don Vander Kuyl

Also Attending:

Kurt Gernaat, Fire Chief

5. **Approval of the Agenda:**

Motion to approve the agenda was the following additions was made by Greg Golembiewski, support by Jeff Meyer:

New business (g): New Firefighter Hire

(h): Fawn Meadow Streetlight Update

(i): New Streetlight Port Sheldon – 88th Ave

Old and Ongoing Business:

(c): Bikepath Bids – Port Sheldon

Motion Carried 5-0

6. **Approval of the Minutes dated January 17, 2022:**

Motion to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2022 Board Meeting was made by Greg Golembiewski, Support by Don Vander Kuyl.

Motion Carried 5-0

7. **Approval of Invoices dated January 18, 2022 to February 21, 2022:**

Motion to approve the invoices dated January 18, 2022 to February 21, 2022 was made by Robin Overway, support by Greg Golembiewski.

Motion Carried 5-0

8. **Public Comment:**

a. None

9. **Treasurer's Report:**

a. As submitted

10. **Clerks Report:**

- a. As submitted

11. **Supervisors Report:**

- a. Verbal

12. **Monthly Reports:**

- a. **Fire Department:**
 - None
- b. **Ottawa County Sheriff:**
 - As Submitted
- c. **Building Permit Report:**
 - As Submitted
- d. **Building and Grounds Report:**
 - None
- e. **Preliminary Planning Commission Meeting Minutes:**
 - As Submitted
- f. **Preliminary Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes:**
 - As Submitted

13. **New Business:**

a. **Board and Commission Appointments:**

- **Motion to approve the following Board and Commission appointments** was made by Don Vander Kuyl, support by Robin Overway:

- Dave Beute – Board of Review
- Shane Herrema – Planning Commission
- Randy Glass – Zoning Board of Appeals

b. **Ordinance 2022-02.01**

- **Motion to approve Ordinance 2022-02.01** was made by Kevin Peters, support by Don Vander Kuyl.

Roll Call: Yay: Peters, Overway, Golembiewski, Meyer,
Vander Kuyl

Nay: None

Motion Carried 5-0

c. **Ordinance 2022-02.02**

- **Motion approved Ordinance 2022-02.02** was made by Kevin Peters, support by Don Vander Kuyl.

Roll Call: Yay: Peters, Overway, Golembiewski, Meyer,
Vander Kuyl

Nay: None

Motion Carried 5-0

d. **Fire Station Floor Grates:**

- Three estimates were received:
- **Motion to approve estimate #1036 from The Trench Grate Store to replace the floor grates in Station #1** was made by Greg Golembiewski, support by Don Vander Kuyl.

Motion Carried 5-0

e. **Fire Station Floor Painting:**

- Three estimates were received.
- **Motion to approve page 1 and page 3 of the estimate from Progressive for the painting of the floor in Station #1** was made by Greg Golembiewski, support by Jeff Meyer.

Motion Carried 5-0
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f. **2022-2023 Budget Draft Discussion:**

- A preliminary draft of the 2022-2023 FY Budget was reviewed and discussed by the board.
- Recommended changes will be made for the Budget Hearing that will take place at the March Board Meeting.

g. **New Firefighter Hire:**

- Fire Chief Gernaat petitioned the board for the addition of a new firefighter to the staff at Station 2.
- **Motion to approve the hiring of Ryan Luyk for Station 2** was made by Kevin Peters, support Don Vander Kuyl

Motion Carried 5-0

h. **Streetlight – Fawn Meadow**

- Administrative Assistant, Tina Vander Schuur, updated the board on the installation of a streetlight on the corner of Fawn Meadow and Baldwin.
 - The residents that will be included in the special assessment district approved the street light with a vote of 7-0-1 with four residents not responding.
 - Tina will work with Consumers Energy to get the light installed and the lighting district established.

i. **Streetlight – 88th Avenue and Port Sheldon Street:**

- Administrative Assistant, Tina Vander Schuur, addressed the Board on behalf a resident that would like a streetlight installed on the corner of 88th Ave and Port Sheldon St.
 - Increased residential building is driving the need for a lighted corner.
- Board discussion ensued concerning the need, if this should be a special assessment or an ‘at large’ light.

- **Motion to approve the installation of an ‘at large’ streetlight on the corner of 88th Ave and Port Sheldon Street** was made by Don Vander Kuyl, support by Jeff Meyer.

Motion Carried 5-0

14. Old and Ongoing Business:

a. Door Estimates:

- The Board reviewed the estimates presented at the previous meetings.
- **Motion to approve the estimates provided by Fisher Door for the replacement of the doors in the township hall and the fire stations** was made by Kevin Peters, support by Don Vander Kuyl.

Motion Carried 5-0

b. Lawncare and Maintenance:

- Greg Golembiewski presented multiple proposals that were received for the lawncare and maintenance for the cemetery, township hall, community center and the fire stations.
- **Motion to approve the proposal submitted by Patriot Outdoor Services** was made by Jeff Meyer, support by Don Vander Kuyl

Motion Carried 5-0

c. Port Sheldon Bike Path Bids:

- Two bids were received and reviewed by the Board
- **Motion to approve the bid submitted by Georgetown Contruction** was made by Don Vander Kuyl, support by Kevin Peters.

Motion Carried 5-0

15. Opportunity for Public Comment:

- a. Bruce Costen questioned the approval of the poverty exemption and asset limitation resolutions that are needed for the upcoming BOR Comeeting.
 - Greg will check with Assessor, Josh Morgan.

16. Correspondence for Informational Purposes:

- a. Ottawa County Emergency Telephone District Tentative Plan
- b. Ottawa County 911 Amendment Plan
- c. EGLE Large Quantity Water Withdrawal Notice

17. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. Planning Commission Meeting: **March 7, 2022**
- b. Township Board Meeting: **March 21, 2022**

18. Adjournment:

- a. **With no further business to be brought before the board a motion to adjourn at 9:56 pm** was made by Don Vander Kuyl, support by Kevin Peters.

Motion Carried 5-0

Recorded by Tina Vander Schuur
Submitted by Robin Overway