

1. The Beaver Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. Chairman Kappler called the meeting to order with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, here; Mr. Tabor, here; Mrs. Simmons, here.
2. The next regular township meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. at the Administration Office.

3. PUBLIC RESPONSE

- All persons presenting information must give name and address.
- All comments must be directed to the Board.
- Comments & disruptive discussion are not to be held among audience.

Gary DeLost, 9302 Harvard Blvd., shared his concerns about Maplecroft Trailer Park. It continues to have EMS and Police presence over there all the time. There used to be a Crime Watch sign in front of it but not sure if it is there anymore. Police Chief Dattilo said that it is on the police departments radar and they have done the following: suggested tenant background checks, regular patrols, turn them into health department and the state when necessary, and have gotten the prosecutor's office involved when warranted but it starts with the trailer parks' management which is something that we cannot control. Mr. DeLost continued stating that he feels the trustees should go and introduce themselves as the authorities figures of the township. Trustees Kappler and Tabor both said that they cannot go on private property. Police Chief Dattilo did say that management was in the process of evicting a tenant now. Lastly, Mr. DeLost said that the Memorial Park Improvements are nice.

Dave Blevins – Fire Department, expressed concerns about the trustees reaching out to private EMS companies for 'Requests for Proposal' to possibly supplement EMS services in the township. A couple of questions he had were: how much is the township going to pay them and whose budget was it coming out of. He continued stating that a 10-minute response time is something everyone should strive for but it's not going to happen all the time. He'd like to see the trustees work with the department about staffing. Trustee Kappler said that we asked and didn't get any response. Mr. Blevins said he knows it will be a money issue but if we got the public involved as part of a committee maybe they would understand. Trustee Kappler said that they want to hear ideas from the department. The trustees are right now fact finding to see what best suits the township. So, we want to hear ideas from the department but that doesn't mean that that specific idea is set in stone. Trustee Simmons added that they have been working since December trying to come up with ideas to help the department and requested a June 1 start date for night time staffing to see how it works and was told absolutely not. She continued saying that the trustees were told that there were three things (Dispenza & Yocum wages and sleeping quarters) that had to be resolved before staffing would be considered. Mr. Blevins stated that nights were not enough and 24/7 staffing was needed. Trustee Kappler said again that we asked for input. He also said that Springfield has started staffing and they are still dropping calls because they cannot staff their shifts. Mr. Blevins said they aren't dropping as many as they did. Trustees Kappler and Simmons both said that the night staffing was just to get the pressure off to start because that was all that they kept hearing was about the calls at night and no one was getting any sleep. Trustee Simmons liked the idea of residents on the committee. Mr. Blevins still stated again that 24/7 staffing was needed. Trustee Simmons explained that it's a two folded problem...one is the nursing home situation and two is that there are only 7,000 residents in the township. The trustees have to also take into consideration the residents. Trustee Kappler said if they got

figures they would consider putting a levy on the ballot and let the residents decide but they need the figures first. Trustee Tabor reiterated that they need numbers. Mr. Blevins feels that it is wrong to take money out of the township for private coverage. Trustee Simmons explained that the state budget that will be released soon is supposed to have EMS help included. She continued stating that the meeting with the nursing homes was great and we just want to do what's feasibly best for the department and residents and we need department input to do that. Trustee Kappler again stated that they were willing to talk about anything. Fire Chief Sauerwein stated that he did give them a proposal with pricing. Trustee Simmons agreed that he gave them a plan but with stipulations unwilling to compromise. Mr. Blevins then brought up the fact Frank Dispenza is a full-time inspector but isn't getting many done because he is always on calls. Trustee Simmons said that inspections are a different matter entirely. Trustee Kappler said that the trustees are willing to listen to 24/7 staffing if the department is willing to listen to other ideas. Mr. Blevins stated that there needed to be sleeping quarters. Trustee Kappler answered that some want to stay at home and get paid an extra stipend to be first to respond at night. Mr. Blevins said that the department would rather not deal with that option at all. Trustee Tabor added that they just want everyone to be safe and need short & long-term plans with financials. Trustee Simmons asked if he would bring something to the trustees. Mr. Blevins said yes.

Frank Zayas, 2164 Garfield Rd., wanted to echo Blevins' statement about staffing. He continued saying that times are changing and full-time staffing is needed for our residents because of the growth in the township. He agrees that there needs to be a short term and a long-term plan. He also stated that there is grant money out there that can be used for start-up money that we can apply for. He felt the meeting with the nursing homes was a step in the right direction. He also feels that private EMS is not the way to go because Medicare rates are so low, they won't help them. He stated that they have good structure and good command in the department and would like to work with the trustees. In his mind benefits are also a big concern. The staffing needs to be full time so that the employees can have benefits. Trustee Kappler asked if they are working on recruitment and member advancement. He asked what the township could do to make it worth their while to further advance their skills. Mr. Zayas said that he feels that a full-time department would also attract more businesses to the township. Trustee Tabor said he liked the grant idea. Trustee Kappler asked who the current committee consists of. Fire Chief Sauerwein replied some of the officers, Blevins and himself. He added that he would love for a trustee to join the committee. Trustee Simmons agreed to be part of the committee. Trustee Tabor said that they all appreciate all the fire department does and that they do a great job. He hears that from the residents all the time.

Jared Remias, 10191 New Buffalo Rd., wanted to show support to the fire department. He doesn't think that there would be a problem asking for levy money. He is a resident and he would vote for it. He also feels that the police department should have three officers for each shift. Police Chief Dattilo stated that the roster was full and they have surrounding community backup. Mr. Ramias feels that an additional police levy should be put on the ballot, if need be, for the additional officer.

Trustee Kappler reminded everyone that properties in the township are being reassessed currently and projections are showing a 35-50% increase in some instances so we have to be careful. Someone in the audience asked how much the township receives from property taxes. Fiscal Officer Lotze answered 20% and that the school district gets the majority of the taxes.

4. CHECK APPROVAL

A Motion was made by Mrs. Simmons; seconded by Mr. Kappler to pay the following bills from the payroll account checks 10,584 thru 10,591 and 115,726 thru 115,846 and from the regular account checks 44,736 thru 44,797 in the amount of \$107,629.07. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

5. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Eric Dattilo, Police Chief reported for the month of June 2023:

For the month of June:

Miles: 11,355

Calls for Service: 1,404

Traffic stops: 150

Arrests: 20

Citations: 25

Received Provisional Certification from the Ohio Collaborative for:

-Positive Youth Interactions and Crisis Intervention

The Ohio Collaborative Law Enforcement Agency reviews Ohio Police Department Policies and Procedures and incidents related to various topics to confirm that they comply with Ohio Law and Standards. We are compliant with all topics.

Beaver PD received notification of an application of a corporate stock ownership change for the Davis Motel from Barry and Murray Davis to Murray Davis solely. Beaver PD has no reason for a hearing to be held on that change.

6. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mrs. Simmons to not request a hearing for the Davis Motel. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

Sam-Colonna Noble was hired by Canfield PD (Part Time) and is taking on a large number of hours, making her mostly unavailable to us.

Jarrold Jackson applied for part time dispatcher last year. We had not had a need up until now. In recent months, in anticipation of this possibility, we completed our hiring process with Jackson and found him to be a worthy candidate. I am requesting that Jackson be added to the department as a Dispatcher Trainee effective August 16, 2023.

7. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to hire Jarrod Jackson as Dispatcher Trainee effective August 16, 2023. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

He will also be attending the YSU Police Academy in January, and hopefully completing it next March (2024). His father is a Poland Township Detective and they live in our township. I think this is a great opportunity for Beaver PD and for Mr. Jackson.

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8. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Larry Sauerwein reported for the month of June 2023:

For the month of June, the Beaver Township Fire Department responded to 161 calls for service, bringing our year-to-date total to 1055 calls. These include but are not limited to:

- 6 Motor vehicle accidents with injuries
- 12 Alarm activations
- 1 Power line down
- 1 Grass fire
- 1 Vehicle Fire
- 2 Natural gas line leak

The Beaver Township Fireman's Association will be having a chicken dinner at the South Range High School on September 23rd. There will be dine in or carry out. More details to follow next month.

Trustee Kappler asked since the meeting with the nursing homes have the calls decreased. Fire Chief Sauerwein said some but not significant.

9. EMS/INSPECTION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Frank Dispenza, EMS Chief/Lead Fire Inspector reported for the month of June 2023:

EMS:

(134) Responses; (136) Patients Seen; (96) Transports to Hospital; and (490.9) Loaded Miles

The monthly responses included: (49) ALS Transports; (49) BLS Transports; (2) Medic Back Up to Other Department; (1) ALS Treatment – No Transport; (1) BLS Treatment – No Transport; (14) Backup to Other Departments; (10) Back-up to BTFD Crew; (13) Refusals; (9) Cancelled Requests; (2) False Alarms; (8) Lift Assists and (1) Referred to Coroner.

INSPECTION DEPARTMENT:

(24) Annual Inspections; (4) Re-Inspection; (2) State Fire Marshall Inspection; (1) State Fire Marshall Re-Inspection; (2) Investigations; and (4) Plan Reviews
Total Inspections: 37

10. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

Brad Burbick, Road Superintendent is not here this evening. Trustee Kappler reported for the month of June 2023:

First round of roadside mowing is complete.

We have been changing crossover pipes and blacktopping as weather permits.

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11. ZONING REPORT

Rick Martin, Zoning Inspector, reported for the month of June 2023:

Permits: (9); Year to Date Permits: (37); Fees: \$7,635.00.00; Year to Date Fees: \$22,330.00; Est'd Value: \$997,100.00; Year to Date Est'd Value: \$5,601,867.00
Number of Violations: 0

I am presenting the Board of Trustees with Division of Zoning Case #ZC-2023-0162, a "Zone Change" request from "Office/Industrial" to "Rural Residential" designations, for a property on E. Middletown Road.

The Trustees set a meeting date of Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 5:15 PM prior to the trustee meeting for the above-mentioned zone change.

12. PARK DEPARTMENT REPORT

Scott Conway, Park/Maintenance Administrator reported as follows for the month of June 2023:

Phase I of the Memorial Park Improvements is just about done. A couple of little jobs left to do on the trail.

Kids Fun & Safety Day looks to be a great program with 30 spots filled for the kids to see and do. It is on July 22nd from 5-8 pm at Woodworth Park.

Family Movie Night is Friday, July 28th showing Toy Story 4. It is at Woodworth Park at 8:30 pm. The first movie was postponed because of weather. A new date will be set soon.

Music in the Park continues on Wednesday nights.

The senior program for July is July 21st at Woodworth Park. The speaker is Cheryl Lloyd from Easter Seals.

13. RECYCLING REPORT

Cindy Sauerwein, Recycling Coordinator, reported for the month of June 2023:

Everything is good...thank you.

14. FISCAL OFFICE REPORT

Richard Lotze, Fiscal Officer, reports for the month of June 2023:

Everyone received their financial reports.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the following Appropriation changes as presented.

Increase 51-A-11 (Contracts)	\$15,000.00	New Balance=\$	600,00.00
Decrease 51-A-5 (T & E)	<\$15,000.00>	New Balance=\$	4,460.00
Decrease 10-A-8 (T & E)	<\$65,000.00>	New Balance=\$	25,000.00
Increase 10-A-1 (Salaries)	\$15,000.00	New Balance=\$	324,750.00
Increase 10-A-10 (Repairs)	\$50,000.00	New Balance=\$	91,750.00
Increase 1-A-17 (Aud/Treas Fees)	\$ 4,500.00	New Balance=\$	12,500.00
Increase 1-F-8 (Other Exp)	\$ 35,000.00	New Balance=\$	68,500.00

15. RESOLUTION 23-34

A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Beaver Township that the Board of Trustees approve the appropriation changes as presented.

The Motion was seconded by Mrs. Simmons with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

16. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Simmons shared that Love's Travel Center had their Pre-Construction Meeting. She feels it is a stand-up organization. They are hoping to be open by Christmas but probably February 2024. The project is evaluated at \$23 million. Trustee Tabor said that he was impressed with the general contractor. Zoning Inspector Martin added that they are using local contractors as much as possible. Trustee Kappler said that this project started three years ago with several hoops to jump through to get to this point.

Trustee Tabor said that the Safety Building Parking Lot Project was moving right along. Foust is doing a great job.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION: According to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 to go into executive session as 7:10 PM to evaluate personnel and discuss contracts. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, here; Mr. Tabor, here; Mrs. Simmons, here.

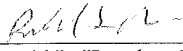
18. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Returned from executive session at 8:06 PM with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, here; Mr. Tabor, here; Mrs. Simmons, here.

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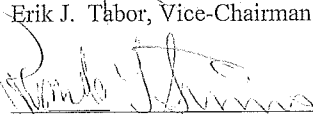
19. With no further business, a Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.



Ronald L. Kappler, Chairman

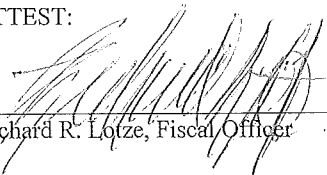


Erik J. Tabor, Vice-Chairman



Pamela L. Simmons, Trustee

ATTEST:



Richard R. Lotze, Fiscal Officer