

Beaver Township Board of Trustees

Tuesday, December 10,

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1. The Beaver Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. Chairman Kappler called the meeting to order with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, here; Mrs. Simmons, here; Mr. Tabor, here.
2. The next regular township meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at the Beaver Township Administration Office, 11999 South Ave., North Lima OH 44452.
3. Our meeting tonight has been designated as the second of two public hearings regarding the regulations of massage establishments and employees within the township limits. There were no questions or comments.

4. 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., thanked the police chief for cleaning up the massage parlor. He goes on to say that Beaver Township is a crossroads for everything so keep on promoting the area. Trustee Simmons shares that the township is under contract for a new building. She continues thanking Fiscal Officer Richard Lotze for handling the funds efficiently to be able to do this. Trustee Kappler also thanked Mr. Lotze for the financial health of the township. Irene Calvin, 9364 Melrose Ave., wished everyone a Merry Christmas. She also thanked Fire/EMS for their help this year and Road Superintendent Brad Burbick for a job well done with the roads in her neighborhood.

5. CHECK APPROVAL

A Motion was made by Mrs. Simmons; seconded by Mr. Kappler to pay the following bills from the payroll account checks 10,692 thru 10,697 and 117,052 thru 118,129 and from the regular account checks 46,242 thru 46,348 in the amount of \$296,246.43. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

6. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Eric Dattilo, Police Chief reported for the month of November 2024:

Miles: 11,440

Calls for Service: 1,246

Traffic Stops: 214

Arrests: 10

Citations: 37

Crashes Investigated: 10

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I am requesting that the Board of Trustees designate the following items as surplus for destruction:

MDT Laptop, Serial #CND8375CFB
MDT Laptop, Serial #CND8375CGH
Gray Filing Cabinets identified with Beaver property stickers #1283 and 1293

7. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to designate the presented items as surplus for destruction. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees designate the following items as surplus for auction by Baer Auctioneers:

Police Cruiser, Vin# 1FM5K8AT2JGC44180
Police Cruiser, Vin# 1FM5K8AR7DGA72382

8. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mrs. Simmons to designate the presented items as surplus for auction by Baer Auctioneers. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

We are going to purchase (2) 2024 Chevy Tahoes from Ganley Chevrolet.

In 2025, we are going to purchase (2) GETAC MDTs and a Mobile Radar Sign using Fund #25 funds.

So, everyone understands what Fund #25 is. It is a police fund for monies received with DEA forfeitures. The township receives a percentage of the forfeitures when the township is involved. These funds can be used to help the police department budget with needed purchases.

A recent traffic study was completed by ODOT for Middletown Road between Detwiler and SR 46. We received numerous complaints and had an injury accident on the stretch of road recently. The road is heavily traveled and residents advised that due to the morning and afternoon school traffic, they requested that the speed limit be reduced. The traffic study found that the speed limit, which was posted at 40 MPH, should be reduced to 35 MPH. I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the resolution to proceed with that speed limit change.

9. RESOLUTION 24-60

A Motion was made by Mrs. Simmons to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Beaver Township that the Board of Trustees approve the speed limit change on Middletown Road between Detwiler and SR 46 from 40 mph to 35 mph.

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

All of our full-time officers have completed OPOTA required continued professional training for 2024.

Beaver PD hosted training on November 18, 2024 and was attended by 100 officers from 14 area police departments. We scheduled a date for 2025.

Commendation certificates for Ofc Bagheri, Ofc Geary and Ofc Maali-Gentile.

-Ofc Bagheri made a traffic stop that resulted in the officers learning that a passenger was in active labor. The officers provided an escort from Market St/Calla Rd to Boardman Mercy Health and assisted the family into the hospital.

“Shop with a Hero” was last night. Beaver PD, Beaver FD/EMS, along with our township trustees provided a meal, boxed food, presents and shopping for the children from Beaver Township. A HUGE thank you to the following for coordinating, participating, donating, cooking, cleaning, and helping to wrap presents: Crouse Mills True Value Store, Mount Olivet Church, Real Living Ministries, Good Hope Lutheran Church, South Range 3 C’s, Hogan’s Bakery, Beaver Township Trustees, Admin Asst. Andrea Kappler and Officer Sarina Stephen.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees move Andrea Kappler from Part Time Administrative Assistant to Full Time Administrative Assistant effective January 1, 2025.

10. A Motion was made by Mr. Tabor, seconded by Mrs. Simmons to move Andrea Kappler from Part Time Administrative Assistant to Full Time Administrative Assistant effective January 1, 2025. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

Robert Wane Focht – Part Time Officer was sworn in by Fiscal Officer Richard Lotze. Everyone welcomed him with applause.

11. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Larry Sauerwein, Fire Chief, reported for the month of November 2024:

The Beaver Township Fire Department responded to 195 calls for service, bringing our year-to-date total to 2080 calls. These include, but are not limited to:

17	Dispatched and cancelled
16	Fire alarm activations
32	Public service
4	Motor vehicle accidents with injuries
2	Grass Fires
1	Unauthorized burning
1	Carbon Monoxide alarm
1	Structure Fire

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Reminder to all residents: Make sure that your live Christmas trees are watered so that they do not dry out and become a fire hazard. Please stay safe and have a wonderful holiday season.

Fire Chief Sauerwein thanked Police Chief Dattilo for the help the police gave the fire department in the last few months. Whether it be a fire, auto accident or EMS call, they are willing to help in any way that they can with traffic control, performing CPR until we get there, lift assisting...just to name a few.

12. EMS/INSPECTION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Frank Dispenza, EMS Chief/Lead Fire reported for the month of November 2024:

EMS:

(165) Responses; (178) Patients Seen; (131) Transports to Hospital; and (772.0) Loaded Miles

The monthly responses included: (72) ALS Transports; (59) BLS Transports; (2) Medic Back Up to Other Department; (6) Backup to Other Department; (4) Backup to BTFD Crew; (1) BLS Treatment-No Transport; (28) Refusals; (1) Air Medical Intercept; (18) Cancelled Requests; (5) False Alarms; (1) Fire Standby and (5) Lift Assists.

INSPECTION DEPARTMENT:

(1) Annual Inspections; (1) Occupancy Permit Inspections; (2) Inspection Follow-ups; (7) State Fire Marshall Re-Inspections; (1) Inspector Continuing Education; (2) Fire Alarm Test; (1) Fire Drill; (1) Plan Reviews; (1) Investigation; (2) Fireworks Inspection/Standby and (5) Re-Inspections.
Total Inspections: 24

I would also like to add to what the fire chief said about the police department and their willingness to help. They always step up to assist in any way that they can. We do appreciate that.

13. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

Brad Burbick, Road Superintendent, reported for the month of November 2024:

OPWC project for next year for West Middletown and Fox Run Lane was funded. The total cost of the project is \$315,000.00 with the township's share at \$240,030.00 and OPWC's share at \$74,970.00. I am requesting that the Board of Trustees authorize Ronald Kappler to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program and to Execute Contracts as Required.

14. RESOLUTION 24-61

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

WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Beaver Township that the Board of Trustees authorize Ronald Kappler to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program and to Execute Contracts as Required.

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

Winter showed up and all the equipment worked well.

After receiving our sales tax fund balance from the county, there is enough money to do another project in 2025 which will be Cherry Hills. The extra funds are from the second half of 2022 taxes and the fact that our 2023/2024 projects were under the estimates.

15. ZONING REPORT

Lindy Mitchell, Zoning Inspector, reported for the month of November 2024:

Permits: (9); Year to Date Permits: (105); Fees: \$4,244.00; Year to Date Fees: \$47,881.40; Est'd Value: \$2,004,350.00; Year to Date Est'd Value: \$15,176,021.00
Number of Violations: 2

16. PARK DEPARTMENT REPORT

Scott Conway, Park/Maintenance Administrator reported for the month of November 2024:

Santa's parade is on Saturday, the 14th, from 10 am – 12 noon. See our township webpage for Santa's route and staging locations.

Happy Holidays!

17. RECYCLING REPORT

Cindy Sauerwein, Recycling Coordinator, reports as follows for the month of November:

Bins were not emptied today. I will call the Green Team in the morning to see why.

18. FISCAL OFFICE REPORT

Richard Lotze, Fiscal Officer, reported as follows for the month of November:

Everyone received their financial reports.

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

Increase 28-A-8 (Contracts)	\$ 2,500.00	New Balance=\$ 59,375.00
Increase 1-A-12 (Empl Retire Contrib)	\$ 4,000.00	New Balance=\$ 38,000.00
Increase 9-A-7 (T & E)	\$ 150,000.00	New Balance=\$295,000.00
Increase 4-A-2 (Empl Retire Contrib)	\$ 900.00	New Balance=\$ 17,600.00
Increase 4-A-13 (Other)	\$ 1,500.00	New Balance=\$ 19,500.00
Increase 4-B-1 (Salaries)	\$ 6,000.00	New Balance=\$127,500.00
Decrease 52-C-3 (Contracts)	<\$ 15,000.00>	New Balance=\$355,298.00

19. RESOLUTION 24-62

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 Appropriation changes as presented.

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

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the 2024 Tax Holiday for the Street Lighting Assessment. This will take effect in the calendar year 2025. This request is to waive charging the residents for the lighting that you see around town.

20. RESOLUTION 24-63

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

21. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

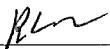
The Re-Organizational meeting is on December 19th at 2 pm.

The township is in the process of purchasing 11822 South Ave, North Lima OH; parcel number 05-004-0-030.00-0, from Stateline Paving LLC in the amount of \$380,000.00 to be used for the Administration and Zoning Offices. (This is the old library.)

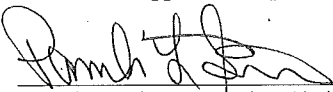
22. EXECUTIVE SESSION: According to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 to go into executive session at 6:25 PM to consider purchase of property, possible employment and compensation of public employees. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

23. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Returned from executive session at 6:45 PM with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

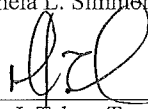
24. With no further business, a Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.



Ronald L. Kappler, Chairperson

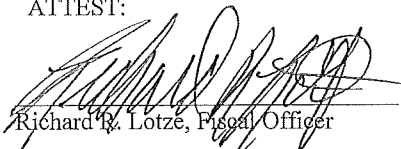


Pamela L. Simmons, Vice-Chairperson



Erik J. Tabor, Trustee

ATTEST:



Richard R. Lotze, Fiscal Officer