

1. The Beaver Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 12, 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, April 9, 2024 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.

Irene Calvin, 9364 Melrose Ave., thanked Larry, Frank and the entire EMS department for helping her when she needed it the most. She added that she used the new 911 with dispatch being in Austintown and the response time did not change. It worked well. She also commended Brad and the Road Department on the culvert replacement and the road. Road Superintendent Brad Burbick said that it should help her backyard.

Gary DeLost, 9302 Harvard Blvd., told Trustee Simmons that he saw she went to the mitigation meeting. She explained that every five years in order to get FEMA funding the county mitigation plan needs updated. She went on to share that she also went to the Commissioners' meeting in Canfield concerning the large solar farms. Mr. DeLost reiterated that he is concerned about the 'Woodworth' sign on Western Reserve Road. He also asked about the sign at the roundabout. Trustee Tabor said that he is still working with ODOT for approval.

4. CHECK APPROVAL

A Motion was made by Mrs. Simmons; seconded by Mr. Kappler to pay the following bills from the payroll account checks 10,636 thru 10,641 and 116,895 thru 116,999 and from the regular account checks 45,459 thru 45,529 in the amount of \$216,139.92. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

5. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

Miles: 12,219
Calls for Service: 1780
Traffic Stops: 209
Arrests: 12
Citations: 40
Crashes Investigated: 13

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees change our policy so that the new position of part-time police administrative assistant(s) will be paid 1.5 times their normal rate of pay for work performed on holidays, retroactive to January 1st, 2024. This will reflect the same policy that is followed for part-time police officers.

6. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to approve the policy so that the new position of part-time police administrative assistant(s) will be paid 1.5 times their normal rate of pay for work performed on holidays, retroactive to January 1st, 2024. This will reflect the same policy that is followed for part-time police officers. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

UPDATES

2 TAHOES SCHEDULED TO BE AVAILABLE SOMETIME IN JUNE

MOBILE RADIOS, IF THEY FOLLOW THE 26 WEEK TURNAROUND THAT WE WERE TOLD, WOULD HOPEFULLY BE AVAILABLE BY THE END OF APRIL

Ofc Stacy completed Field Training Officer School.

Ofc Bator assigned as backup Firearms Instructor.

Ofc Stacy and Ofc Cox assigned as liaisons to MC Human Trafficking Task Force.

Ofc Bator and Ofc Nulf assigned as Officer Wellness liaisons under Police Chaplain Edwards.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees grant permission to investigate cost of the purchase for 2 laptops for the cruisers. 2 are in poor condition after years of use. Trustee Kappler said that he could move forward with this and does not need trustee approval.

I am requesting Executive Session to discuss contracts and evaluate personnel.

7. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Larry Sauerwein, Fire Chief, reported for the month of February:

The Beaver Township Fire Department responded to 147 calls for service, bringing our year-to-date total to 324 calls. These include but are not limited to:

- 8 Dispatched and cancelled
- 6 Alarm Activations
- 1 Electrical issue
- 1 CO call
- 1 Oil Spill
- 2 Structure fires

Reminder to all residents: There is a burn ban during the months of March, April and May. There should be no open burning between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. A form with all of the rules concerning burning is available from the fire department.

19 portable radios have been ordered from Hudson Communications as part of the MARCS grant that we received earlier in the year. This is the first step to switching over all of our radios. It will take two or three more grants which in turn is 2-3 years before we are completely switched to the new system.

Trustee Tabor asked if the 'Burn Ban' was on the website. Chief Sauerwein did not know but would get it put on.

8. EMS/INSPECTION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Frank Dispenza, EMS Chief/Lead Fire was not here this evening. Fire Chief Larry Sauerwein reported for the month of February 2024:

EMS:

(131) Responses; (139) Patients Seen; (98) Transports to Hospital; and (472.4) Loaded Miles

The monthly responses included: (64) ALS Transports; (35) BLS Transports; (10) Backup to Other Department; (6) Backup to BTFD Crew; (1) ALS Treatment-No Transport; (2) BLS Treatment-No Transport; (26) Refusals; (3) Cancelled Requests; (1) False Alarms; (1) Fire Standby and (7) Lift Assists.

INSPECTION DEPARTMENT:

(6) Annual Inspections; (1) Citizen Complaint; (3) Re-Inspections; (1) Occupancy Permit Inspection; (2) Inspection Follow-up; (3) Inspector Continuing Education; (2) State Fire Marshal Re-Inspections; (1) Fire Drill; (1) Fire Prevention/Safety; (1) Facility Administrator Meeting; (1) Fire Lane Parking Complaint; (2) Plan Reviews; (1) Investigation and (1) Construction Site Visit.
Total Inspections: 26

9. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees award the 2024 Road Resurfacing Project to R.T. Vernal Paving & Excavating in the amount of \$580,110.50. It has been approved by the prosecutor's office.

10. RESOLUTION 24-11

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 award the 2024 Road Resurfacing Project to R.T. Vernal Paving & Excavating in the amount of \$580,110.50.

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

It has been a slow winter. We have been working on changing crossover pipes and ditch cleaning.

The new truck is built. It should be ready in a couple of weeks.

A new coverall building has been ordered.

I am requesting Executive Session to discuss contracts and evaluate personnel.

11. ZONING REPORT

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

Permits: (6); Year to Date Permits: (7); Fees: \$5,042.00; Year to Date Fees: \$5,067.00; Est'd Value: \$846,500.00; Year to Date Est'd Value: \$855,850.00
Number of Violations: 9

12. PARK DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

The 2024 Park Summer/Fall Activities Calendar is out. There is something for everyone.

I'm happy to announce the United States Army Band will be visiting our park on Friday, June 28th at 7 pm for the 4th of July.

Work continues on Memorial Park. Landscaping and the parking lot are complete. The last two things to be done are the pond aeration system and the playground equipment.

Trustee Tabor asked if he had talked to the baseball association about the dates in the agreement. Mr. Conway said that he had and they would like to extend the date through October because they are going to have a fall league. The association will send us something in writing.

13. RECYCLING REPORT

Cindy Sauerwein, Recycling Coordinator, reported for the month of February 2024:

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the 2024 Recycling Site Lease Agreement with the Mahoning County Commissioners in the amount of \$4,500.00. This is the same amount as 2023.

14. RESOLUTION 24-12

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 2024 Recycling Site Lease Agreement with the Mahoning County Commissioners in the amount of \$4,500.00. This is the same amount as 2023.

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

15. FISCAL OFFICE REPORT

Richard Lotze, Fiscal Officer, reports for the month of February 2024:

Everyone received their financial reports. Last month, I submitted the annual state auditor's report along with the financials that went with it.

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

Increase 14-A-7D (Contracts)	\$ 4,000.00	New Balance=\$ 4,000.00
Decrease 3-C-3 (Contracts)	<\$ 30,952.00>	New Balance=\$109,048.00
Increase 1-F-5 (T & E)	\$ 1,000.00	New Balance=\$ 1,000.00
Decrease 14-A-7B (Contracts)	<\$ 42,737.00>	New Balance=\$107,260.00
Decrease 2-C-3 (Contracts)	<\$ 7,834.00>	New Balance=\$ 16,776.00
Decrease 23-B-3 (Contracts)	<\$ 14,058.00>	New Balance=\$ 41,942.00
Decrease 52-C-3 (Contracts)	<\$107,997.77>	New Balance=\$377,500.00

16. RESOLUTION 24-13

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 Mr. Tabor with Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the IRS maximum reimbursement rate allowed of \$0.67 cents per mile for 2024 for the use of personal vehicles to travel outside the township-on-township business if there is not a township vehicle available retroactive to January 1, 2024.

17. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mrs. Simmons to approve the IRS maximum reimbursement rate allowed of \$0.67 cents per mile for 2024 for the use of personal vehicles to travel outside the township-on-township business if there is not a township vehicle available retroactive to January 1, 2024. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.

18. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

Action on the Resolution Regulating the Parking of Commercial Vehicles on Township Roads in Beaver Township, Mahoning County.

19. RESOLUTION 24-14

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WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Beaver Township that the Board of Trustees approve the Resolution Regulating the Parking of Commercial Vehicles on Township Roads in Beaver Township, Mahoning County.

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

Action on the Resolution to Prohibit Adult Use Cannabis Operators within the Unincorporated Territory of Beaver Township.

20. RESOLUTION 24-15

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 Resolution to Prohibit Adult Use Cannabis Operators within the Unincorporated Territory of Beaver Township.

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

Action on the Resolution to Prohibit Marijuana Cultivators, Processors or Retail Dispensaries Licensed Under Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code Within the Unincorporated Territory of Beaver Township.

21. RESOLUTION 24-16

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 approve the Resolution to Prohibit Marijuana Cultivators, Processors or Retail Dispensaries Licensed Under Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code Within the Unincorporated Territory of Beaver Township.

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

It is time to start putting together our annual newsletter. Department heads need to put together their articles and email them to Angela Nespeca by April 3rd.

We received our 2024 NOPEC Sponsorship Grant in the amount of \$1,500. This will be put towards our Music in the Park Program.

Trustee Simmons shared that the state approved three engine brake signs to be put up in the township.

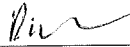
Trustee Kappler shared that Andy Reagan sent a letter requesting one of the trustees to come talk at one of their meetings. Mr. Kappler spoke to their activities director and got approval to just have a monthly trustee meeting there so that the Shepard of the Valley residents can come to that. Everyone was in agreement so a future date will be determined.

Irene Calvin, 9364 Melrose Ave., complimented Police Chief Dattilo on the last Crimewatch meeting. Det/Lt Sinkovich was the speaker and he was one of the best speakers ever. He is in her top three. He was very informative. Chief Dattilo thanked her for the compliment and said that he would let Det/Lt Sinkovich know. He also shared that some of the statistics that Det/Lt Sinkovich shared were about human trafficking. Because of the number of hotels and truck stops that we have, we are diligent in our watch in these locations. We have two people on the department that know how to initiate these cases. We are constantly on the lookout.

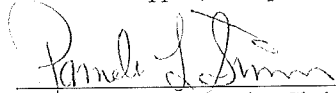
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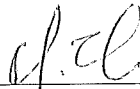
22. EXECUTIVE SESSION: According to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 to go into executive session as 6:26 PM to evaluate personnel and discuss contracts. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, here; Mrs. Simmons, here; Mr. Tabor, aye.
23. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Returned from executive session at 7:03 PM with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, here; Mrs. Simmons, here; Mr. Tabor, aye.
24. With no further business, a Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mrs. Simmons to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye.



Ronald L. Kappler, Chairperson

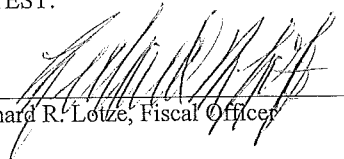


Pamela L. Simmons, Vice-Chairperson



Erik J. Tabor, Trustee

ATTEST:



Richard R. Lotze, Fiscal Officer