



## **Board of Trustees Meeting**

Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Please mute microphones and turn off cameras.

### **MEETING INFORMATION:**

The public may dial in or download the Zoom meeting app to access the Board of Trustees meeting with the following credentials:

Meeting ID: 916 3176 7285

Phone: +1 929 205 6099

Password: 059138

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **WELCOME**

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the business of Bath Township.

At the end of the meeting there will be time for citizen comment.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **FISCAL OFFICER Sharon A. Troike**

1. Recommendation to approve requisitions and regular purchase orders 2021-01171 through 2021-01187 and payments totaling \$118,548.23. **Roll Call.**
2. Motion to approve Special Meeting Minutes for August 4, 2021. (Corbett, Goodrich)
3. Motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes for August 9, 2021 and August 23, 2021. (Corbett, Goodrich, Nelson)
4. Motion to approve intra-fund transfer of \$1,500.00
5. Resolution 2021-25 To Amend the 2021 Certificate of Estimated Resources
6. Correspondence Log available for public view.

### **DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ADMINISTRATORS**

#### **Police Chief Vito F. Sinopoli**

##### **Report / Recommendations**

1. Resolution 2021-25 Honoring Detective Lieutenant Richard W. Munsey for his 50 years of service to Bath Township.
2. Motion to approve a second annual membership, for dispatch, to the National Testing Network [NTN] in the amount of \$500. Separate memberships are required for each discipline for which an agency is posting for employment opportunities. Bath PD has openings for both dispatch and police officers.

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**Planning Director / Zoning Inspector William Funk**

**Report / Recommendations**

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**TRUSTEES Elaina Goodrich, James Nelson, and Becky Corbett**

1. Fall into Nature

**FUTURE TRUSTEE MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

Board of Trustees Work Session	September 13, 2021 at 9:30 AM	TMR
Board of Trustees Work Session	September 20, 2021 at 9:30 AM	TMR
Board of Trustees	September 20, 2021 at 4:00 PM	TMR
Water and Sewer District Board	September 20, 2021 at 6:00 PM	TCR
State of the Watershed	September 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM	TMR
Barn Social (By invite)	September 15, 2021 at 6:00 PM	Bath Equestrian Center
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Board of Zoning Appeals	September 21, 2021 at 7:00 PM	TMR
Public Auction	September 25, 2021 at 9:00 AM	TMR
Electronic Recycling	September 25, 2021 10 AM to 2 PM	Bath Elementary
Board of Trustees Work Session	September 27, 2021 at 9:30 AM	TMR
Fall into Nature	October 9, 2021 11:30 AM to 3:30 PM	Bath Nature Preserve

TMR – Trustee Meeting Room

TCR – Trustee Conference Room



**\*In-person meetings have resumed as of July 1, 2021. A Zoom link will be provided as a courtesy to those unable to attend. All virtual meeting credentials are listed on the Bath Township Meeting and Events calendar at [www.bathtownship.org](http://www.bathtownship.org)**

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Countryside Farmer's Market	Saturday's at 9:00 am to noon	4040 Riverview Road
BBA Road Rally	Saturday, September 26, 2021	BCP
Candidate's Night	Tuesday, September 28 at 7:00 PM	Revere HS
Harvest Festival	October 2 &3, 2021	Hale Farm & Village

BCP – Bath Community Park

\*All township and community events are listed at [www.bathtownship.org](http://www.bathtownship.org) and updated once a week.

### **CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

*Citizens must be recognized by the President of the Board of Trustees prior to speaking.*

*Citizens will identify themselves by name and address.*

*Citizens' comments will be limited to 5 minutes each.*

*Citizens' comments must be addressed to the Board.*

*A citizen is called out of order twice. He or she will then be asked to leave.*

### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Kathy Sidaway – Bath Community Fund Grant

### **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

### **THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING / ADJOURNMENT**



Intra Fund Transfer  
September 7, 2021

	A	B	C	D	E
1	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2	September 7, 2021	Parks	Contingency	Park Shelter Rental Refunds	1,500.00
3					
4					
5	<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$1,500.00</b>

**BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**BE IT HEREBY KNOWN BY ALL THOSE PRESENT THAT ON THE 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021 THE BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET IN REGULAR SESSION, COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM, IN THE TRUSTEE MEETING ROOM AT 3864 W. BATH ROAD, BATH TOWNSHIP, SUMMIT COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO.**

\_\_\_\_\_ presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-25  
TO AMEND THE 2021 CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES  
AND PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS  
Amendment #5**

**WHEREAS**, after careful review of the 2021 budget submitted to the Summit County Budget Commission in July 2020, the Department Heads and Township Administrator under 505.032 (F) developed appropriations to operate the Township; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Fiscal Officer reviewed the budget and certified that the expenditures were inside the 2021 Official Certificate of Estimated Resources; and,

**WHEREAS**, the township received the 2021 distribution of the American Recovery Plan Act grant under the NEU Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Plan;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of Bath Township, County of Summit, State of Ohio, that to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of said Board of Trustees, the following adjustments need to be completed to bring the Official Certificate of Resources in line with the Permanent Appropriations with an increase to:

**2021 Certificate of Estimated Resources**  
Fund 684 NEU Coronavirus Local Fiscal  
Recovery Plan            \$504,742.98

**2021 Permanent Appropriations**  
Fund 684 NEU Coronavirus Local Fiscal  
Recovery Plan            \$504,742.98

**FURTHER**, that said money is appropriated as allowed by law and the Fiscal Officer request an amendment before the Summit County Budget Commission.

Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_; discussion and roll called:

Mrs. Corbett,  
Mrs. Goodrich,  
Mr. Nelson,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Becky Corbett, President  
Bath Township Board of Trustees

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Elaina E. Goodrich, Vice President  
Bath Township Board of Trustees

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Sharon A. Troike  
Fiscal Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
James N. Nelson  
Bath Township Board of Trustees

Date: September 7, 2021

This Resolution is a true and correct excerpt from the Minutes of the Board of Township Trustees and is recorded in the Bath Township Board of Trustees' *Record of Proceedings* dated September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
CORRESPONDENCE LOG**

DATE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBJECT MATTER	REFERRED TO:
08-23-21	Kasha Brackett Resident	Interest in serving on a township committee.	Board of Trustees

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEES LOG**

RECEIVED FROM

## Chief of Police Report September 7, 2021

### Trainings:

Officer Mihalik – PepperBall Instructor/Armorer Certification Training August 11-12, 2021

Officer Young – Field Force Operations Training August 16-18, 2021

Officer Alexander – Field Training Officer Program/Ohio Model August 17-19, 2021

### Community Engagement:

Officer VanFossen visited the Bethel Preschool Summer Camp program to talk about safety with the children August 12, 2021.

On August 15, 2021, a Bath family provided a meal to the officers and dispatch from City Barbecue. It was very appreciated.

Detective Gabel gave a presentation to 20 Hale Farm & Village staff on Active Shooter response August 26, 2021. This training is in preparation for the popular upcoming Made in Ohio craft fair held the first weekend in September that draws a large crowd.

### August Statistics:

Criminal mischief was abound on August 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> when vandals removed a portable radar sign from a post and discarded it in the weeds. The speed trailer was also sprayed with marking paint in another location. It is not known whether the two incidents are connected, however, we appreciate the efforts of the Service Department crew who were able to remove the paint through power washing the unit.

The August statistics are as follows:

All calls for service: 1,250 [100%]

Community Policing: 621 [50%]

Traffic Stops: 89 [7%]

Traffic Accidents: 49 [4%]

Alarm Drops: 75 [6%]

Sexual Assault 0 Burglary 1 Robbery 0

All other calls requiring police assistance or presence: 415 [33%]

Booking Charges [Total # of Charges] 29

OVI: 2

Theft: 6

Possession of Drugs: 5

### Recommendations:

Resolution 2021-XX honoring Detective Lieutenant Richard W. Munsey for his 50 years of service to Bath Township.

Motion to approve a second annual membership, for dispatch, to the National Testing Network [NTN] in the amount of \$500. Separate memberships are required for each discipline for which an agency is posting for employment opportunities. Bath PD has openings for both dispatch and police officers.

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\_\_\_\_\_ presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption.

**RESOLUTION 2021-XX  
HONORING RICHARD W. MUNSEY**

**WHEREAS**, Detective Lieutenant Richard W. Munsey has been a respected member of the Bath Township Police Department for 50 years. He became one of 12 police cadets with the Bath Township Police Department on September 13, 1971, volunteering his time, while also working as a part-time dispatcher for the department, and;

**WHEREAS**, Detective Lieutenant Munsey became a part-time Bath Township police officer in 1975 and was hired full-time in 1976. Rising quickly through the ranks, he was promoted to Detective Sergeant in 1979 and Detective Lieutenant in 1986. During his tenure with the police department, he also served as Interim Chief of Police from October 8, 2003 to December 31, 2004. His thoughtful nature, enduring commitment to the police department and respect from his peers are a few of his defining qualities that make him an asset to Bath Township.

**WHEREAS**, Detective Lieutenant Munsey was named the Bath Grange Citizen of the Year in 2005 and acknowledged as Top Cop by the Summit County Prosecutor’s Office five times in his career. As part of his investigative responsibilities, Lt. Munsey has worked on a variety of complex criminal cases, including three high-profile murder investigations.

**WHEREAS**, Detective Lieutenant Munsey is a 1972 graduate of Revere High School; 1983 graduate of The University of Akron with a Bachelor’s of Science degree; 1986 Master’s of Science graduate from The University of Akron, and in 1992 received his Juris Doctorate degree from The University of Akron.

**WHEREAS**, Detective Lieutenant Munsey’s memberships include the Police Executive Leadership College [PELC], FBI National Academy 133<sup>rd</sup> Session, School of Police Staff & Command and Certified Law Enforcement Executive [CLEE], Akron Crime Clinic, and;

**WHEREAS**, Detective Lieutenant Munsey was recognized for his accomplishments through induction into the Revere High School Hall of Fame in 1992 and been part of many important achievements throughout his personal and professional career, and;

**WHEREAS**, Detective Lieutenant Munsey is recognized as a professional, always putting the interests of Bath Township first. He has witnessed both tragedy and celebration within the community and has always given selflessly to offer his heartfelt support in every instance, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Bath Township Board of Trustees desires to formally recognize the dedication and service of Detective Lieutenant Richard W. Munsey over the past 50 years; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Bath Township Board of Trustees hereby congratulates Detective Lieutenant Richard W. Munsey for his 50 years of service to Bath Township and thanks him for his outstanding dedication and service to Bath Township and the public at large.

\_\_\_\_\_ seconded the Resolution and discussion was held.

The Fiscal Officer called the roll:

Mrs. Goodrich,  
Mr. Nelson,  
Mrs. Corbett,

**Resolution Adopted**

**This Resolution is a true and correct excerpt from the Minutes of the Board of Township Trustees and is recorded in the Bath Township Board of Trustees’ Record of Proceedings dated \_\_\_\_\_.**



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Sharon A. Troike  
Fiscal Officer

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Becky Corbett, President  
Bath Township Board of Trustees

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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James Nelson,  
Bath Township Board of Trustees

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Elaina Goodrich  
Bath Township Board of Trustees

To: Bath Township Trustees  
Bath Administrator: Vito Sinopoli

From: Robert Campbell, Fire Chief

Date: September 7, 2021

#### AUGUST 2021 CALLS

Station #1	Fire-29	EMS -40	Total -69
Station #2	Fire-11	EMS -48	Total -59
Both Stations	Fire-01	EMS -10	Total -11
Totals	Fire-41	EMS -98	Total -139

Total Transports =65

Yearly Total:      Total Calls: 991  
                            FIRE: 297  
                            EMS: 694

Mutual Aid Given=8  
Mutual Aid Received=0  
Automatic Aid Given=3  
Automatic Aid Received=2

AUGUST TRAINING:	HOURS
Pumps and Pumping	1
New Vehicle Orientation/Drive Time	1.5
Emergency Medical Services	1.5
Protocol Revision	1
Vehicle Extrication	2
Water Supplies	2
Structural Collapse Rescue	4
<b>TOTAL TRAINING HOURS</b>	<b>13</b>

AUGUST INSPECTIONS:	HOURS
Plan Review-Fire Protection	3
Re-Inspection	3
Restaurant	1
Alarm/Sprinkler	67
Observe Fire Drill	3
Day Care/Preschool	1
Consultation	4
Permit	2
<b>TOTAL INSPECTIONS</b>	<b>84</b>

REPORT:  
Casper the CPR dog.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

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# **SERVICE DIRECTOR Caine Collins**

## AGENDA FOR THE 9.7.2021 MEETING

### **Buildings and Grounds:**

Historic Town Hall: No new business to report.  
Bath Center Building: No new business to report.  
Ira Road Facilities: No new business to report.  
Service Building: No new business to report.

### **Roads Report:**

#### **Service Crew Monthly Report for August**

Resident Service Requests received: 32  
Resident Service Requests resolved: 46  
Township Service Requests received: 4  
Township Service Requests resolved: 6  
Drive Culverts: 5  
Catch Basins: 2  
Asphalt Aprons: 6  
Linear Feet of Ditching: 455'  
Asphalt Used: 41.63 tons

### **Miscellaneous:**

Trucks, Plows, and Trailer Maintenance/Repairs; Shop, Buildings, and Grounds Maintenance/Repairs; Cemetery Maintenance, Restorations and Burial Assistance; Roadway Tree Trimming and Removal; Dead Animal Removal from Township Roadways; Installation of Address Markers and Street Signs/Posts; Pothole Patching and Road Repairs; Township Roadside Mowing; Continuous Cleaning and Sanitizing of Shop and Trucks; Continuous Emptying of the Organic Recycle Trailer.

### **Training:**

Summit County Safety Council Virtual Meeting-Ladder Safety Training (Ron Wietecha, Sean Humphrys, Brent Nash, Jim Hete, Jeff France, Greg Klebs, Ricky Brogan, Ryan Bracken, Brice Miller, and Beth Reinart)

### **Cemetery Report:**

Moore's Chapel Cemetery – 2 Cremation Burials

### **Recommendations by the Service Director:**

1. Recommendation to hire Brice Miller for the position of part time Service Personnel Level 1, effective September 8, 2021, at the hourly rate of \$17.00 per hour, in accordance with all the rules and regulations of Bath Township and a one-year probationary period.
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PARK DIRECTOR/ ASSISTANT SERVICE DIRECTOR Alan Garner  
AGENDA FOR THE TRUSTEE MEETING 9/ 7/ 2021

General Park Information:

Since April 1, 2021 the parks have had a total of 1,185 scheduled events; in August, 99 events were scheduled.

Park personnel checked and inspected all the trails, performed routine visual inspections on the playgrounds, performed general buildings and grounds maintenance/ repairs, and completed vehicle and equipment maintenance/ repairs.

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the site plan review of the North Fork Preserve of Bath on August 26. Approximately 40 guests joined us to learn about the new property and everyone was very complimentary of all the presentations.

Bath Baseball Park:

For the month of August, the ballfields were playable 80% of the time. Records show there was precipitation on 12 days in August, with an approximate total of 3.61 inches.

Park personnel spent approximately 30 hours performing field maintenance duties for the month.

Tony's Painting Company pressure washed and painted the boardwalk.

Bath Community Park:

Park personnel have been rehabbing the butterfly garden.

Park personnel made improvements to the North King Trail.

Tony's Painting Company pressure washed and painted the Grange Shelter deck.

Bath Hill Park:

Park personnel trimmed the vegetation throughout the park.

Bath Nature Preserve:

Park personnel spent approximately 65 hours mowing the trails and trimming the vegetation around signs, benches, and fencing.

Training:

Summit County Safety Council Virtual Meeting-Ladder Safety Training (Alan Garner, Franklin Garretson, Robert Harris III, and Thomas Hughes)

Recommendations:

1. Recommendation to hire Robert Harris III for the position of part-time Park Division Laborer, effective September 8, 2021, at the hourly rate of \$17.00 per hour, in accordance with all rules and regulations of Bath Township and a one-year probationary period.



To: Board of Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Administrator, Executive Assistant  
From: William Funk Planning Director/Zoning Inspector  
Date: September 1, 2021  
Re: Zoning Report for the month of August

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### PERMITS

During the month 13 zoning permits were issued in the following categories:

- Residential Addition 3
- Fence 3
- Swimming Pool 2
- New Residential Dwelling 1
- Accessory Structure 1
- Subdivision 1
- Business Use 1
- Sign 1

### ZONING COMMISSION

August 12, 2021 Zoning Commission Public Hearing:

- The Zoning Commission held a public hearing regarding the application from Westside Church of Christ for a proposed map amendment. The property owners are proposing to rezone the parcel from the existing R-2 Residential to an R-4 Residential. An overview of the proposal was presented by the Planning Director/Zoning Inspector followed by questions and comments from the public. The case was tabled to allow Summit County Planning Commission to review and make a recommendation on the proposal.

### APPEARANCE REVIEW COMMISSION

August 2, 2021 Appearance Review Commission reviewed the following cases:

- ARC 21-04, John Ashley of FastSigns for New Leaf Homes, recommended to approve the new wall sign for New Leaf Homes at 1000 Ghent Rd., located in the B-1 Gateway Business District.
- ARC 21-05, Bryan Sockol of ViaQuest, recommended to approve the new monument sign for ViaQuest at 260 Springside Dr., located in the B-3 Office, Research and Limited Business District.
- ARC 20-19, Louie Zavarelli of Faith Family Church, tabled the site plan review for the proposed parking lot expansion for Faith Family Church at 4200 Granger Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.

### BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

August 17, 2021 Board of Zoning Appeals heard the following cases:

- BZA 21-18, Hallie Bowie of New Leaf Home Design, approved a variance request to encroach upon the front yard setback for an addition at 1003 Ghent Hills Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.
- BZA 21-19, Theresa Friedl, approved a variance request for a reduction in the minimum lot area for a lot reconfiguration at 4485 Ranchwood Spur and 930 Sandin Dr., located in the R-2 Residential District.

- BZA 21-20, Fred Zumpano, approved a variance for a reduction in the rear yard setback for an addition at 2561 Maple Ridge Rd., located in the R-4 Residential District.
- BZA 21-21, George Klockenga and Gabby Price, approved a variance request for a reduction in the minimum lot area for a lot reconfiguration at 1792 Orchard Dr., located in the R-2 Residential District.

**SOLID WASTE**

- New Customers 20
- Vacation Customers 13
- Total Customers 3,446

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- Online payments for zoning permit applications are available through the permit portal at bathtownship.org. Once you have completed the application form the portal will give the option to make the appropriate payment online.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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MEMORANDUM

**To:** Bath Township Trustee

**Date:** September 1, 2021

**From:** Wendy E. Moeller, FAICP  
Compass Point Planning

**Re:** Ghent Road Corridor Planning Follow-up

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On March 31, 2021, the Ghent Road Corridor Review Committee met to discuss how the township should address planning and zoning along Ghent Road, generally between I-77 and Cleveland-Massillon Road. During the meeting, township staff any I gave an overview of recently approved projects, proposed projects, and potential development pressures taking place in the area. Additionally, we presented five different options for how the township might want to consider proceeding, especially related to the current rezoning request (1075 Ghent Road), and the potential benefits and impacts of each option. The options included:

1. **Option #1** – Do nothing (maintain the plan and the current zoning)
2. **Option #2** – Rezone the subject property from R-2 to B-4, as requested
3. **Option #3** – Expand the existing B-1 district, south of the area, into the R-2 area
4. **Option #4** – Expand the existing B-1 district, as proposed in Option #3, but then rezone the entire area to B-4
5. **Option #5** – Creation a new transitional corridor overlay district that would function as a Planned Unit Development (PUD) overlay zoning district.

After discussing each option and fielding questions, the committee generally agreed to give more evaluation to Option #5 as it provided a much higher level of review for nonresidential development than in the current zoning and could also be beneficial to the area near the I-77/Route 18 interchange.

Following that meeting, staff and myself decided that it would be appropriate to facilitate a meeting with the public where we could outline the overall discussion presented to the committee with more focus on the implications of Option #1 and #5. That meeting was held on May 13, 2021. Several members of the public and those involved with recent development options participated. There was an initial presentation followed by questions and comments. There were comments in both support and opposition of any change to the area. We also provided an opportunity for people to provide comments following both the March and May meeting, with several comments being submitted in writing that again, showed both support and opposition to any change.

Following these meetings, I prepared a memo that outlined the early discussions and then expanded on the Option #5 of utilizing the Planned Unit Development tool. That memo expanded on information that was in the comprehensive plan by explaining how the tool is generally used and how it could be eventually tailored to allow for some development options in the Ghent Road area that went beyond existing residential and small-office zoning. That memo was distributed to the Ghent Road Planning Committee prior to their follow-up meeting that was held on June 30, 2021. During that meeting, staff and myself summarized the past discussions and the suggestions in the memorandum regarding what a PUD district could look like. The public was allowed to comment during this meeting. At the end of the meeting, we noted that the committee should make a general recommendation on how to proceed to the Township Trustees and then the Trustees would make a decision on whether to do nothing or to move forward with a public process to develop a PUD district. A straw poll was taken of the

committee with a recommendation to suggest the Township Trustees move forward with a public process to amend the comprehensive plan for this area and develop a PUD District that would include the various recommendations from the memo regarding the tool. The results of that straw poll were 4 in favor, 3 in opposition and 1 abstention to move forward with the PUD. That recommendation was then shared with the Township Trustees at their meeting on July 12, 2021.

At the Township Trustees meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>, staff any I outlined the process, discussion points, comments, and recommendations. This was followed by discussions where the Trustees felt that there needed to be more discussion with the County Engineer regarding potential implications on traffic, water, and sewer as those three components may naturally limit development and make the use of the PUD district unnecessary.





To: Board of Trustees  
From: Vito F. Sinopoli, Township Administrator  
Date: September 7, 2021  
Re: Administrator's Report – 9/07/21

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## **REPORT:**

### Public Auction

Bath Township will host a Public Auction on September 25, 2021 from 9:00-11:00 AM at 1206 Cleveland Massillon Road. All items to be sold will be available for viewing on the day of the auction. No holds are accepted. Bidders must be present at the time of auction. A complete list of items to be auctioned may be found on the township website.

### Barn Social

The Heritage Corridors of Bath and Bath Business Association will host the nineteenth annual **Barns of Bath Open House on Wednesday, September 15, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.** Bath Equestrian Center will be the featured barn, located off of Shade Road. The beautiful barns within and around the township help maintain the rural atmosphere that is deep rooted in the community. **Due to the nature of the event, it is invitation-only.** To be included on the invitation list, call the Township Administration Office at 330-666-4007.

### State of the Watershed

The State of Watershed will be hosted in the Trustee Meeting Room (3864 West Bath Road) on Monday, September 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM. The Friends of Yellow Creek committee and Summit County Engineer's Office will update the community on items planned to protect the watershed infrastructure, including a presentation by Stephanie Deibel on the NPSIS plan.

### Employee/Public Mask Update

In an effort to protect employees and visitors against the rapid spread of the Covid-19 delta variant, a MEMO was issued to all township personnel highly encouraging masks be worn, effective September 7, in the following scenarios:

- 1) When interacting with the public, or
- 2) In situations where it is impossible to socially distance from one another.

Additionally, department heads have the discretionary determination in specific circumstances which may warrant a mask, such as riding in a car or working indoors. Visitors and third-party vendors who enter a township facility are highly encouraged to wear a mask.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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