

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING**

May 09

2022

The Bath Township Board of Trustees met in the Trustees' Meeting Room on May 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting the business of the Township. The President of the Board, Mrs. Elaina Goodrich, convened the meeting. Trustees present were Mrs. Sharon Troike, Mr. Sean Gaffney and Mrs. Elaina Goodrich.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**WELCOME**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Mrs. Goodrich requested and Mr. Gaffney moved approval of the agenda. Mrs. Troike seconded the motion; the motion passed.**

**FISCAL OFFICER Gregory R. Thewes**

**The Fiscal Officer recommended, and Mrs. Troike moved, to approve requisitions and regular purchase orders 2022-00697 through 2022-00737 and payments totaling \$190,855.60. Mr. Gaffney seconded the motion. The Fiscal Officer called the roll; all aye, the motion passed.**

Mr. Thewes reported the STAR Ohio accounts for the month of April have been reconciled and are available for public view.

Mr. Thewes reported the Huntington main operating account for the month of April has been reconciled and available for public view.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ADMINISTRATOR**

**Police Chief Vito F. Sinopoli**

**Report:**

**Department Trainings:**

- Officers Alexander, Chapman, Klein, and VanFossen – Simulation [Active Shooter] Training April 6, 2022 at Copley High School
- Lt. Munsey, Sgts. Borton, Griffith, Moats, Officers Chapman, Houser, Klein, and Shaffer – Building Mutual Respect & Community Trust April 8, 2022
- Det. Gabel – Mass Casualty Rescue Training April 14, 2022 at The University of Akron
- Officers Alexander, Mihalik, Reilly and Young – Advanced Subject Control April 11-15, 2022
- Detectives Gabel and Lance – Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Workshop at the Summit County Sheriff's Office Training Center April 15, 2022
- Sgts. Borton, Griffith, Moats and Officer Watson – Arrest, Search and Seizure April 19, 2022
- Chief Sinopoli – Leadership Akron Justice Day April 20, 2022
- Det. Gabel – Advanced Homicide/Violent Crimes Investigation April 25-29, 2022

**Community Engagement:**

- Telecommunicators Appreciation Week was April 11-16, 2022. Thank you to our dispatch staff for their dedication to the position.
- Pizza was provided to the entire department on April 21<sup>st</sup> by a local resident and business owner, John Kim.
- Chief Sinopoli was on hand for Project Pride April 23, 2022.
- Matthew Deep was sworn in on Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. Welcome Officer Deep.

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- Det. Gabel assisted at the Drug Take Back Day April 30<sup>th</sup>. One box totaling 9 lbs. was collected from residents for disposal.

**Other Department Highlights:**

- Job Fairs at Kent State University and Stark State College. Captain Brown and Detective Gabel attended the KSU Police Academy Job Fair April 12<sup>th</sup> and spoke to graduating cadets about the department. Officer Klein and Administrative Assistant Bartlett went to the Stark State campus April 14<sup>th</sup> and met with students interested in law enforcement.

**April Statistics:**

- All calls for service: 1,248 [100%]
- Community Policing: 648 [52%]
- Traffic Stops: 79 [6%]
- Traffic Accidents: 22 [2%]
- Alarm Drops: 51 [4%]
- Sexual Assault 0 Burglary 0 Robbery 0
- All other calls requiring police assistance or presence: 448 [36%]
- Booking Charges [Total # of Charges] 22  
Theft: 7  
Possession of Drugs: 3

**Recommendations: None**

**Fire Chief Robert Campbell  
Report:**

**April 2022 CALLS**

- Station 1 = 53
- Station 2 = 47
- All Stations = 9
- Total = 109
- Fire = 42
- EMS = 67
- Total Transports = 45
- Mutual Aid Given = 16
- Mutual Aid Received = 4

**Yearly Call Total: 488**

- FIRE = 174
- EMS = 314

**TRAINING:**

- Total Class Hours = 44
- Total of Personnel Hours = 105.50

**INSPECTIONS:**

- Annual 11
- Fire Drill 02
- Fire Protection System 1
- Reinspection 21
- Total 35

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**Recommendations:**

Chief Campbell recommended, and Mr. Gaffney moved, to advertise and post for a Full-time Firefighter/Paramedic beginning May 10, 2022 through May 24, 2022 at 4:00 pm. Mrs. Troike seconded the motion; the motion passed.

**Service Director Caine Collins**

**Report:**

**Roads Report**

**Service Crew Monthly Report for April:**

- Resident Service Requests received: 19
- Resident Service Requests resolved: 23
- Township Service Requests received: 14
- Township Service Requests resolved: 13
- Drive Culverts: 3
- Asphalt Aprons: 2
- Linear Feet of Ditching: 375'
- Asphalt Used: 29.69

**April Snow & Ice Report**

- Regular hours spent: 18
- OT hours spent: 14
- Total hours spent: 32
- Approx tons of Salt used: 11 tons
- Total Tons Salt used for 2021/2022 Season: 1,314 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
- Salted/Plowed Township Roadways, and Snow Removal on Township Administration Sidewalks and Parking Lot
- Continuous Cleaning and Sanitizing of Shop and Trucks
- Service Request Restorations
- Emptying Organic Recycle Trailer
- Assisted with Project Pride and Spring into Nature

**Training:**

- 2022 APWA North American Snow Conference (Caine Collins)
- Summit County Safety Council (Beth Reinart)
- OSUE Pesticide Safety Education Program (Ricky Brogan and Seth Rauscher)

**Cemetery Report**

- Moore's Chapel Cemetery – 1 cremation burial

**Recommendations:**

Mr. Collins recommended, and Mrs. Troike moved, to pay Chagrin Valley Paving in the amount of \$17,860.00 for Final Payment & Estimate No. 03 of the 2021 Summit County #448 Resurfacing Program. Mr. Gaffney seconded the motion; the motion passed.

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### Park Director/Assistant Service Director Alan Garner Report:

#### General Park Information:

- I would like to thank the Bath Park Board, the University of Akron Field Station, and Bath Township for organizing and hosting Spring into Nature with STEM on April 30 at the Bath Nature Preserve, as well as all the event partners that came out to support the event. This event was geared for school-aged children in grades two through six, and focused on educating the kids about the Bath Nature Preserve. The event was very well attended and everyone enjoyed the STEM themed activity stations which included insects and spiders, birds and bees, and planets and stars, to name a few.
- The park shelters and athletic fields opened on April 1 and since then there have been 392 scheduled events.
- Park personnel checked and inspected all the trails, performed routine visual inspections on the playgrounds, performed general buildings and grounds maintenance, and completed vehicle and equipment maintenance.

#### Bath Baseball Park

- For the month of April, the ballfields were playable 51% of the time. Records show there was precipitation on 18 days in April, with an approximate total of 3.26 inches.
- Park personnel spent approximately 66 hours performing field maintenance duties for the month.

#### Bath Community Park

- Ray Bertolini Trucking Company repaired several sections of the upper parking lot.

#### Bath Nature Preserve

- Park personnel started mowing the trails and trimming the vegetation around signs, benches, and fencing.

#### North Fork Preserve of Bath

- Ray Bertolini Trucking Company completed the installation of a 10-car gravel parking lot located on the south side of the driveway in between the barn and house.
- Hartman Tree Service completed clearing the dead pine trees and brush along Everett Road, near the entrance of the park, in anticipation of the new park entrance sign that will be installed later this year.

#### Training

- OSUE Pesticide Safety Education Program (Franklin Garretson, Thomas Hughes, Colin Tuttle)
- Summit County Safety Council (Alan Garner)

#### **Recommendations:**

Mr. Garner recommended, and Mr. Gaffney moved, to advertise and post for a full-time Laborer for the Park Division, beginning May 10, 2022 through May 24, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Mrs. Troike seconded the motion; the motion passed.

### Planning Director/ Zoning Inspector William Funk Reports

#### Permits

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

- Accessory Structure           4
- New Residential Dwelling    3

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- Fence 3
- Residential Addition 2
- Business Use 1

**Zoning Commission**

April 14, 2022 Zoning Commission Workshop:

- The Commission continued their discussion on the existing Zoning Resolution and reviewed different sections that were areas of concern or ambiguities that needed text changes. Topics discussed during the work session included commercial accessory structure, accessory dwelling unit setbacks, flag lot setbacks, parking requirements, commercial fireworks sales, and sign regulations.

**Appearance Review Commission**

April 4, 2022 the Appearance Review Commission reviewed the following cases:

- ARC 22-03, Torina White for Heart of Revere, recommended to approve the proposed building addition to an existing accessory structure for the Heart of Revere at 3687 Ira Rd., located in the B-5 Hamlet Business District.

**Board of Zoning Appeals**

April 19, 2022 the Board of Zoning Appeals heard the following cases:

- BZA 22-09, John Stack, approved a variance for a reduction in the minimum setback from the principal dwelling for an accessory structure at 3773 Maple Leaf Hill Dr., located in the R-3 Residential District.
- BZA 22-10, Kelly Christy, approved a conditional use request for an accessory dwelling unit and approved a variance for a reduction in the minimum setback from property lines for the accessory dwelling unit at 4333 Appian way, located in the R-2 Residential District.
- BZA 22-11, David Smith, approved a variance to exceed the permitted square footage size and to exceed the main floor area of the principal dwelling for an accessory structure at 2727 N. Revere Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.

**Solid Waste**

- New Customers 10
- Vacation Customers 23
- Total Customers 3,359

**Recommendations:**

Mr. Funk requested the Trustees consider Resolution 2022-19.

Mrs. Goodrich presented the following Resolution and moved for its adoption.

**RESOLUTION 2022-19 HONORING BOARD OF  
ZONING APPEALS CHAIRPERSON LINDA  
HASTINGS**

**WHEREAS**, Linda Hastings, Esq. was appointed to the Bath Township Board of Zoning Appeals on June 4, 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Hastings was elected Chairperson of the Board of Zoning Appeals on July 21, 2015 and served honorably as Chairperson until her retirement from the Board on June 1, 2022; and

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**WHEREAS**, during her 21 years of service on the Board of Zoning Appeals, Bath Township was experiencing a period of growth and development creating an increase in the number of complex land use issues presented for consideration; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure as Chairperson of the Board of Zoning Appeals, Bath Township amended its zoning regulations to comport with open space objectives and related environmental issues; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout her tenure as Chairperson, Ms. Hastings understood her responsibility to the township and a desire to balance private property rights with legitimate community concerns.

**WHEREAS**, in her role, Ms. Hastings performed professionally, admirably, and conscientiously to protect the rights of property owners, balancing those rights against township zoning regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Hastings dedicated her time and expertise to assure due process in conducting fair and impartial public hearings, timely deliberation, and well-reasoned decisions;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Bath Township Board of Trustees expresses its sincere appreciation for the dedication and excellent professional service Ms. Linda Hastings provided to the community. Her legacy of outstanding service will shape zoning decisions for Bath Township well into the future.

Mrs. Troike seconded the Resolution and discussion was held.

The Fiscal Officer called the roll:

Mrs. Goodrich, Aye

Mrs. Troike, Aye

Mr. Gaffney, Aye

**Resolution Adopted**

Mr. Funk announced Bath Township seeks interested volunteers to serve on the Zoning Boards and Commissions. Interested parties should contact Mr. Funk  
wfunk@bathtownship.org

**Administrator Vito F. Sinopoli**

**Report:**

**Memorial Day Observance**

- On Monday, May 30, 2022, community members and visitors are invited to gather in the Bath Veterans' Memorial Park to attend the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Memorial Day Observance Ceremony. The program will begin at noon and include a dedication of the new Veterans' Memorial. Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair and umbrella.

**Bath Art Festival**

- Join neighbors and friends for a day of fun at the Bath Art Festival on June 12, 2022. The event will be held in the Bath Community Park from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and feature over 70 vendors, including fine artists, jewelry makers, photographers and woodworkers. Detailed festival information is available online at [www.BathArtFestival.com](http://www.BathArtFestival.com)

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**Recommendations:**

Mr. Sinopoli recommended, and Mrs. Troike moved, to accept the retirement of Anne Gemind, Finance/Payroll Specialist, effective June 25, 2022. Mr. Gaffney seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Mr. Sinopoli requested that the Trustees consider Resolution 2022-20.

Mr. Gaffney presented the following Resolution and moved for its adoption.

**BATH TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2022-20  
TO APPLY FOR THE REWORKS COMMUNITY RECYCLING ACCESS GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, ReWorks has grant monies available through its Community Recycling Access Grant; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Community Recycling Access Grant has funding available in a reimbursement program for Bath Township; and,

**WHEREAS**, the grant will reimburse the township for residential recycling projects that increase the diversion of solid waste from landfills; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Bath Township Board of Trustees desires financial assistance for residential recycling projects;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Bath Township Board of Trustees:

1. Approves the filing of an application to the Community Recycling Access Grant Program.
2. That Beth Reinart and/or Caine Collins are hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.
3. That Bath Township has obligated the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible under the terms and conditions of the grant program to be reimbursed.

**FURTHER**, that the Fiscal Officer be directed to use Special Revenue Fund 208 and if the grant is awarded, to amend the 2022 Certificate of Estimated Resources and the Permanent Appropriations to reflect the new revenue and expenses.

Mrs. Troike seconded the resolution and discussion was held.

The Fiscal Officer called the Roll:

Mrs. Goodrich, Aye  
Mrs. Troike, Aye  
Mr. Gaffney, Aye

**Resolution Adopted.**

Mr. Sinopoli requested that the Trustees consider Resolution 2022-21.

Mrs. Troike presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

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**RESOLUTION 2022-21  
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION TO  
THE STATE OF OHIO FOR A NATUREWORKS GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the State of Ohio NatureWorks grant program, and;

**WHEREAS**, Bath Township desires financial assistance under the NatureWorks Grant Program,

**WHEREAS**, the Bath Township Board of Trustees desires financial assistance under the NatureWorks Grant Program for improvements in the North Fork Preserve of Bath,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Bath Township Board of Trustees:

1. Approves the filing of this application for financial assistance with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources through the NatureWorks grant.
2. That Trustee Elaina Goodrich is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.
3. That Bath Township does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the NatureWorks Grant Program.
4. This resolution is for the preservation of public health, safety and welfare and shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage by a majority of the board.

**FURTHER**, that the Fiscal Officer be directed to use Special Revenue Fund 670 and if the grant is awarded, to amend the 2022 Certificate of Estimated Resources and the Permanent Appropriations to reflect the new revenue and expenses.

Second by Mr. Gaffney; discussion and roll called:

Mrs. Goodrich, Aye

Mrs. Troike, Aye

Mr. Gaffney, Aye

**Resolution Adopted**

**TOWNSHIP MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

May 11, Wednesday

Heritage Corridors of Bath, Trustee Conference Room at 4:30 p.m.

May 12, Thursday

Zoning Commission, Trustee Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m.

May 16, Monday

Water and Sewer District Board Public Hearing, Trustee Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m.

May 17, Tuesday

Board of Zoning Appeals, Trustee Meeting Room at 7:00 p.m.



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May 23, Monday

Board of Trustees, Trustee Meeting Room at 4:00 p.m.

May 30, Monday

Memorial Day Event – Memorial Park at 12:00 p.m.

June 12, Sunday



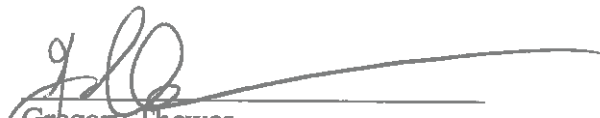
Bath Art Festival – Bath Community Park 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

  
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Elaina E. Goodrich, President  
Bath Township Board of Trustees  
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Sharon A. Troike, Vice President  
Bath Township Board of Trustees  
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Sean Gaffney  
Bath Township Board of Trustees  
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Gregory Thewes  
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