



Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, July 6, 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 2021-00825 through 2021-00881 and payments totaling \$130,952.84. **Roll Call.**
2. Huntington Bank account statements through the month of June have been reconciled and are available for public view.
3. Motion to approve the June 21, 2021 Regular meeting minutes. (Goodrich, Nelson, Corbett)
4. Motion to approve the June 24, 2021 Special meeting minutes. (Goodrich, Nelson, Corbett)
5. Motion to cancel the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting on December 13, 2021 at 4:00 PM and reschedule to December 20, 201 at 4:00 PM.
6. Motion to schedule the Settlement Meeting on December 13, 2021 at 4:00 PM.
7. Resolution 2021-21 To Adopt the 2022 Budget
8. Resolution 2021-22 To Amend the 2021 Certificate of Estimated Resources
9. Resolution 2021-23 Organizational Amendment 03
10. Correspondence Log available for public view.

DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ADMINISTRATORS

Police Chief Vito F. Sinopoli

Report / Recommendations

1. Motion to post employment opportunity for a full-time and/or part-time Police Officer effective July 6, 2021. Application period will remain open until position(s) have been filled.
2. Motion to approve payment to Pro-Vision for \$475 for one 5-year SecuraMax license and two body cameras for \$1098.



- Motion to approve Mutual Aid Agreement Between the Townships of Bath, Copley and City of Fairlawn to provide services in the Montrose-area. The Agreement remains in effect until such time as any of the other entities gives a 60-day written notice of intent to terminate the agreement.

Fire Chief Robert Campbell

Report / Recommendations

No recommendations at this time.

Service Director Caine Collins

Report / Recommendations

No recommendations at this time.

Park Director/Assistant Service Director Alan Garner

Report / Recommendations

No recommendations at this time.

Planning Director / Zoning Inspector William Funk

Report / Recommendations

No recommendations at this time.

Administrator Vito F. Sinopoli

Report / Recommendations

- Resolution 2021-20 Resolution to Proceed Amended
- Recommendation to accept applications for a full-time Administrative Assistant/Administration at the rate of pay \$18-19/hour from Wednesday, July 7, 2021 to Friday, July 23, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

TRUSTEES Elaina Goodrich, James Nelson, and Becky Corbett

- Update on the North Fork Preserve of Bath

FUTURE TRUSTEE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Zoning Commission	July 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM	TMR
Board of Trustees Work Session	July 12, 2021 at 9:30 AM	TMR
Heritage Corridors	July 14, 2021 at 5: 30 PM	TMR
Board of Trustees Work Session	July 19, 2021 at 9:30 AM	TMR
Board of Trustees Regular	July 19, 2021 at 4:00 PM	TMR
Board of Trustees Public Hearing	July 19, 2021 at 4:30 PM	TMR
Water and Sewer District Board	July 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM	TCR
Friends of Yellow Creek	July 19, 2021 at 7:00 PM	TMR
Board of Zoning Appeals	July 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM	TMR
Board of Trustees Work Session	July 26, 2021 at 9:30 AM	TMR
North Fork Preserve Open House	August 26, 2021 at 6:00 PM	4400 Everett Road
Barn Social (By invite)	September 15, 2021 at 5:30 PM	Bath Equestrian Center
Fall into Nature	TBD	

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**



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Countryside Farmer's Market
Made in Ohio
Made in Ohio
Made in Ohio

Saturday's at 9:00 am to noon
September 3, 2021 at noon - 5:00 pm
September 4, 2021 at 10:00 AM – 5:00 pm
September 5, 2021 at 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

4040 Riverview Road
Hale Farm and Village
Hale Farm and Village
Hale Farm and Village

*All township and community events are listed at 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

ITEMS OF INTEREST

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING / ADJOURNMENT



BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

BE IT HEREBY KNOWN BY ALL THOSE PRESENT THAT ON THE 6th DAY OF JULY 2021, THE BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET IN A REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., 3864 WEST BATH ROAD, IN BATH TOWNSHIP, SUMMIT COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO.

M_____ presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2021-21
ADOPTION OF THE 2022 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, July 6th, 2021, the Bath Township Board of Trustees held a public hearing to review the Bath Township proposed 2022 budget; and,

WHEREAS, the board presented estimates of income and expenditures and outlined regular operations and special programs; and,

WHEREAS, the total budget for 2022 is \$13,741,842.78 for operations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed 2022 Bath Township Budget be and is hereby adopted for the calendar year January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2022; and,

FURTHER, that a copy of this proposed budget be attached to and made a part of these minutes; and,

FURTHER that the Fiscal Officer be instructed to file a copy of the proposed Township budget with the Summit County Fiscal Officer no later than July 20, 2021 in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5705.30.

M_____ seconded the Resolution and discussion was held.

The Fiscal Officer called the roll:

Mrs. Nelson,
Mrs. Goodrich,

Resolution Adopted

ABSENT

Becky Corbett, President
Bath Township Board of Trustees

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

Sharon A. Troike
Fiscal Officer

James N. Nelson
Bath Township Board of Trustees

Date: July 6, 2021

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BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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_____ presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-22
TO AMEND THE 2021 CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES
Amendment #4**

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, Park Director Alan Garner filed an application for the Summit County Community Grant for the construction of solar system informational panels at the Bath Nature Preserve under Resolution 2020-03, and;

WHEREAS, the township was awarded this reimbursement grant in the amount of \$5,000;

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 651 Summit County Community Grant
\$5,000

2021 Permanent Appropriations
Fund 651 Summit County Community Grant
\$5,000

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. Goodrich,
Mr. Nelson,

ABSENT
Becky Corbett, President
Bath Township Board of Trustees

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M_____ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**BATH TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2021-23 AMENDMENT 03
TO AMEND THE 2021 ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Township operates with regard to several master documents; and,

WHEREAS, the Bath Township Board of Trustees adopted the 2021 Organization Resolution,

Personnel Policy Manual, and Job Description Manual to take effect January 1, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, after review the Fiscal Officer has decided to revise and update the 2021

Organizational Resolution to amend the following information as follows:

- 1. To include Exhibit A-5 Commercial Use in Public Parks and to include Special Event Permit form.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bath Township Board of Trustees amends the 2021 Organizational Resolution to include the updated information in the Resolution attachment.

Mrs. Goodrich seconded the amendment; and the Fiscal Officer called the Roll:

Mrs. Goodrich,
Mr. Nelson,

Resolution Adopted

ABSENT
Becky Corbett, President
Bath Township Board of Trustees

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Exhibit A-5

Addendum to Bath Township Park Rules:

Prohibition of independent commercial activities at township parks and park facilities

Except as may be specifically authorized by the Bath Township Board of Trustees, there shall be no independent commercial activity undertaken at any township park or park facility by any individual, firm, partnership, cooperative, nonprofit corporation, joint venture, association, company, corporation, agency, estate, trust, fiduciary, or other group or organization.

Definition: Commercial use is defined as any activity conducted for financial or commercial gain including private lessons, tours, equestrian rides, classes, or group activities where the lesson, class, or activity has a fee associated with it. "Commercial use" also includes any lesson, class, or commercial activities taking place on the Bath Township Park system property that is associated with any trade, occupation, profession, business, or franchise. "Commercial use" does not include activities conducted on the Township's behalf, or in conjunction with the Township.

A Certificate of Insurance evidencing proof of Comprehensive General Liability insurance to cover any liability claims, whether pertaining to personal injury or property damage, which may occur during use of the park property will be required for any permitted commercial or independently sponsored event in the Bath Township Parks. When required, Bath Township must be named as an additional insured on the policy, and the policy must meet the limits specified by the township's property/casualty insurance carrier.

**BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CORRESPONDENCE LOG**

DATE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBJECT MATTER	REFERRED TO:
06-28-21	Sean Gaffney Resident	Annual Barn Social Event	Board of Trustees
07-01-21	Alexa Palmer New Creation Interiors	Lanning's Grand Re-Opening	Board of Trustees
07-02-21	Keith Rupnik Resident	Summit County Noise Ordinance Enforcement	Chief Sinopoli

Chief of Police Report
July 6, 2021

Training:

Detective Gabel – Ohio Tactical Officers Association Annual Conference June 7-10, 2021
Department Training: Dementia Friends and Gatekeeper Training with Donna Barrett from the Summit County Public Health Department June 15, 2021
Officer Alexander – The Gun Game June 23, 2021
Officer Watson – DataPilot Training with Susteen June 30, 2021
Sgts. Moats, Griffith, Capt. Brown and Communication Specialists Davis, Winegardner and Tayerle – Ohio Alerts Training June 30, 2021

June Statistics:

All calls for service: 1,238 [100%]
Community Policing: 576 [47%]
Traffic Stops: 80 [6%]
Traffic Accidents: 46 [4%]
Alarm Drops: 52 [4%]
Sexual Assault 0 Burglary 1 Robbery 0
All other calls requiring police assistance or presence: 483 [39%]
Booking Charges [Total] 17
Criminal Trespass - 3
Theft – 6
Possession of Drugs – 2

Recommendations:

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To: Bath Township Trustees
Bath Administrator: Vito Sinopoli

From: Robert Campbell, Fire Chief

Date: July 6, 2021

JUNE 2021 CALLS

Station #1	Fire-23	EMS -44	Total -67
Station #2	Fire-09	EMS -40	Total -49
Both Stations	Fire-08	EMS -09	Total -17
Totals	Fire-40	EMS -93	Total -133

Total Transports =66

Yearly Total: Total Calls: 708
 FIRE: 212
 EMS: 496

Mutual Aid Given=11
Mutual Aid Received=10
Automatic Aid Given=6
Automatic Aid Received=2

JUNE TRAINING:	HOURS
Safety	.75
Pumps and pumping	.50
Pediatric Trauma	1.5
Fireground Ops	2.0
Water Supplies	1.0
Hazmat Officer/Safety Officer	6.5
Rope Rescue	4.5
TOTAL TRAINING HOURS	16.75

JUNE INSPECTIONS:	
Re-Inspection	14
Restaurant	3
Alarm/Sprinkler	58
Knox Box	1
Observe Fire Drill	1
Observe Tornado Drill	1
Permit	1
Day Care/Pre School	1
Consultation	2
TOTAL INSPECTIONS:	82

REPORT:

RECOMMENDATIONS:
No recommendations at this time.

SERVICE DIRECTOR Caine Collins

AGENDA FOR THE 7-6-2021 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 June

Resident Service Requests received: 18
Resident Service Requests resolved: 18
Township Service Requests received: 9
Township Service Requests resolved: 10
Drive Culverts: 2
Road Culverts: 2
Asphalt Aprons: 7
Linear Feet of Ditching: 420
Asphalt Used: 172.89 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; and Assisted with the Bath Art Fest.

Training:

EMA Virtual ICS-400 Course (Alan Garner)

Cemetery Report:

Moore's Chapel Cemetery - 1 Full and 1 Cremation Burial

Recommendations by the Service Director:

No recommendations at this time.

PARK DIRECTOR/ ASSISTANT SERVICE DIRECTOR Alan Garner
AGENDA FOR THE TRUSTEE MEETING 7/ 6/ 2021

General Park Information:

Since April 1, 2021 the parks have had a total of 967 scheduled events; in June, 341 events were scheduled.

I would like to thank Renee Flynn for organizing this year's Bath Art Fest on June 6 at the Bath Community Park. This year we had over 40 vendors, outdoor yoga, a DJ, and several food vendors. The event was very well attended and we received a lot of positive feedback.

I would like to thank the Bath Park Board for organizing the first annual Run to the Sun 5k on June 18. The course took 60 participants through the heart of the Bath Nature Preserve along the new permanent Solar System Walk.

Meyer Design Inc., completed the safety upgrades and minor repairs for all the playgrounds.

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.

Bath Baseball Park:

For the month of June, the ballfields were playable 98% of the time. Records show there was precipitation on 9 days in June, with an approximate total of 3.31 inches.

Park personnel spent approximately 104 hours performing field maintenance duties for the month.

Bath Community Park:

Park personnel completed various painting projects throughout the park.

Park personnel trimmed the vegetation throughout the park.

Bath Hill Park:

Park personnel trimmed the vegetation throughout the park.

Bath Nature Preserve:

Park personnel spent approximately 79 hours mowing the trails and trimming the vegetation around signs, benches, and fencing.

Recommendations:

No recommendations at this time.



To: Board of Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Administrator, Executive Assistant
From: William Funk Planning Director/Zoning Inspector
Date: June 30, 2021
Re: Zoning Report for the month of June

PERMITS

During the month 19 zoning permits were issued in the following categories:

- Accessory Structure 5
- Fence 5
- Residential Addition 3
- Swimming Pool 2
- Sign 2
- New Commercial Building 1
- Commercial Addition 1

ZONING COMMISSION

June 10, 2021 Zoning Commission Public Hearing:

- The Zoning Commission held a public hearing to review the proposed language revisions to Article 7, Section 701-D(17)(A) Solar Panels and Article 12, Sec. 1204-D(1)(B) Design Standards for Off-Street Parking. The Commission heard the comments from Summit County Planning Commission whose recommendation was to approve with consideration to the discussion from the Planning Commission. The Zoning Commission reviewed the language and made modifications to the language for Free Standing Solar Panels based on recommendations from the County. The Zoning Commission closed the public hearing and voted to approved the proposed zoning text amendments.

APPEARANCE REVIEW COMMISSION

June 7, 2021 Appearance Review Commission heard the following cases:

- ARC 21-03, Margaret Lytz for North Fork Gallery, recommended to approve the proposed new monument sign at 1864 N. Cleveland Massillon Rd., located in the B-5 Business District.
- ARC 20-19, Louie Zavarelli for Faith Family Church, recommended to approve the proposed changes to the building elevations at 4200 Granger Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.
- ARC 19-18, Tom Giltner of Stonemill, recommended to approved the proposed modification to the new building at 1070 Ghent Rd., located in the B-1 Business District.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

June 15, 2021 Board of Zoning Appeals heard the following cases:

- BZA 21-13, Tyler Bolanz of Creative Innervations Construction, approved a variance request to encroach upon the front yard setback for a residential addition at 3080 Ira Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.
- BZA 21-14, Patrick Sauers, approved a variance request to encroach upon the side yard setback for an accessory structure at 1803 Orchard Dr., located in the R-2 Residential District.
- BZA 21-15, Adam Thomarios, tabled a variance request to encroach upon the side yard setback for an accessory structure at 4629 Rolling View Dr., located in the R-2 Residential District.

- BZA 20-36, Cody Butzer, withdrawn a variance request to encroach upon the side yard setback a residential addition at 96 Robinwood Hills Dr., located in the R-2 Residential District.

SOLID WASTE

- New Customers 22
- Vacation Customers 13
- Total Customers 3,443

MISCELLANEOUS

- None

RECOMMENDATIONS

- None



To: Board of Trustees
From: Vito F. Sinopoli, Township Administrator
Date: July 6, 2021
Re: Administrator's Report – 7/6/21

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Resolution 2021-20 Resolution to Proceed Amended
2. Recommendation to accept applications for a full-time Administrative Assistant/Administration at the rate of pay \$18-19/hour from Wednesday, July 7, 2021 to Friday, July 23, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

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BE IT HEREBY KNOWN BY ALL THOSE PRESENT THAT ON THE 6TH DAY OF JULY, 2021 THE BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET IN REGULAR SESSION, COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BATH TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING ROOM, 3864 WEST BATH ROAD, BATH TOWNSHIP, SUMMIT COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO.

M _____ offered the following resolution for consideration:

**RESOLUTION 2021-20 AMENDED
TO AUTHORIZE THE RENEWAL OF A 1.4 MILL LEVY AND AN INCREASE OF .60 MILLS TO CONSTITUTE A RENEWAL AND INCREASE OF 2.0 MILLS ON THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 BALLOT FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE PURPOSES PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE §5705.191**

WHEREAS, Bath Township Board of Trustees, Summit County, Ohio, determines a continuing need for road and bridge operating revenues and finds the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten- mill limitation will be insufficient on the current tax duplicate to provide for necessary road and bridge operations and that it is necessary to levy a renewal with increase; and,

WHEREAS, Bath Township has a current 5-year 1.4 mill Road and Bridge Levy expiring on December 31, 2021 with collection through December 31, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5705.03 (B), on April 19, 2021 the Bath Township Board of Trustees requested the Summit County Fiscal Officer to calculate, expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, the amount that would be collected for a renewal of a 1.4 mill Road and Bridge levy with an increase of .60 mills to constitute a renewal and increase of 2.0 mills for tax year 2022 and collection year beginning in 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the amount certified by the Summit County Fiscal Officer on 2.0 - mills was \$1,130,592.00 per year; and,

WHEREAS it was estimated that a 2.0 mill levy would cost property owners \$58.28 for each \$100,000 valuation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio, deems it necessary to authorize a renewal of a 5 year 1.4 mill Road and Bridge with an increase of .60 mills to constitute a renewal and increase of 2.0-mills in excess of the 10 mill limitation to be levied upon the entire territory of Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio commencing in tax duplicate year 2022 to be first collected in year 2023 for the benefit of Bath Township for the purpose of providing funds for general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges of Bath's Service Department pursuant to O.R.C. § 5705.19.

FURTHER, that such tax levy be placed on the ballot at the general election, Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at a rate not exceeding 2.0 mills for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to twenty cents (\$0.20) for each one hundred dollars (\$100) of valuation, commencing tax year 2023; and,

FURTHER, the form of ballot for the Road and Bridge levy shall read:

**Proposed Tax Levy,
Bath Township, Ohio**

Majority of affirmative votes for passage

A renewal of a 5-year 1.4 mill of levy and an increase of .60 mills, to constitute a tax for the benefit of BATH TOWNSHIP for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges of the Bath Township Service Department at a rate not exceeding 2.0 mills for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to twenty cents (\$0.20) for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for a period of 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

____ For the Tax Levy
____ Against the Tax Levy

FURTHER, that the Fiscal Officer of Bath Township is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections, County of Summit, Ohio to cause Notice of Election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

Mrs. Goodrich seconded the Resolution and discussion was held.

The Fiscal Officer called the roll:

Mrs. Goodrich,
Mr. Nelson,

Resolution Adopted.

ABSENT

Becky Corbett, President
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Elaina E. Goodrich, Vice President
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NORTH FORK PRESERVE OF BATH UPDATE

From Trustee Elaina Goodrich

Bath Township residents are invited to attend a meeting to review the site plan for the newly acquired North Fork Preserve of Bath.

The presentation will be held on August 26 at 4400 Everett Rd. The house will be open from 6 to 8PM for an informal “walk through”. Design plans for the proposed future use of the house will be on display. The house, originally built in 1958, will retain the mid-century modern style. The plans currently provide for two meeting rooms with an adjoining kitchen and a park office. The proposed trail plan will also be on display. It uses the trails already established on the eastern arm of the property.

This is your opportunity to become informed of the plans, as well as to make recommendations.

From 6:15 to 6:45 pm a formal presentation will be made by the chairmen of the wetlands, flora, fauna, streams, buildings, trails and history committees providing information gathered over the past two years.

A 2-mile walk of the area where the proposed trail will be, begins at 6:45. Please wear long pants and boots if you plan to walk the trail.

On June 3, 2019 the property, now known as the North Fork Preserve of Bath, transferred to Bath Township. This 78.3-acre parcel was acquired through the efforts of the Trust for Public Land and a grant from the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund for \$1,650,000. There were specific conditions imposed in order to receive the grant. The property can only be used for passive recreation activities including walking, birdwatching, and field study. No new buildings can be constructed on the property. The barn and house can be used by the township but can't be rented or leased long term.

To better understand the property and determine the most effective use for it, an advisory committee was formed to examine a variety of factors. Twenty-three community members took part in making recommendations for the preserve. They served on six subcommittees which investigated the property and made recommendations on how to best utilize the property to the township's advantage. Those recommendations were included in the current plans that will be available for review.

Although the North Fork Preserve is currently closed to the public, with limited access only to township employees performing work and committee members conducting site assessments, preservation of the North Fork Preserve is considered a priority for the township. Public improvements being considered will enhance the property for everyone's enjoyment and will create an important environmental area to be protected.