

Minutes of the Bloomington Township Board

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. on August 12, 2021, via Zoom.

Board members present were Lorraine Merriman Farrell, Dorothy Granger, and Marty Spechler. Also present were Trustee Kim Alexander and Deputy Trustee Lisa Myers.

AGENDA

Marty moved to accept the agenda as presented. Lorraine seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Marty - yes, Lorraine - yes, Dorothy - not present. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Marty moved to accept the minutes of the June 10, 2021, board meeting as presented. Lorraine seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Marty - yes, Lorraine - yes, Dorothy - not present. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Revised Electronic Attendance Resolution: Kim explained that our new attorney, Brian Bailey, made some minor changes to the previously adopted electronic attendance resolution, which included the correction of some typographical errors and removal of the requirement to broadcast all meetings electronically. Marty moved to approve the resolution as revised. Dorothy seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Dorothy - yes, Marty - yes, Lorraine - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Dormant Fund Transfer Resolution: Kim directed attention to the existing balance in the Fire Debt Fund that resulted from selling a fire apparatus to the Monroe Fire District in 2020. When the sale was concluded, the proceeds were required to be received into the fund from which the original purchase had been made. Due to the fact that Bloomington Township no longer has a fire department, that balance needs to be transferred to the General Fund in order to be used in the future. Marty moved to approve the transfer resolution. Lorraine seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Dorothy - yes, Marty - yes, Lorraine - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Representative Payee Program Resolution: Kim reported that she met with Monroe County Prosecutor, Erika Oliphant, who expressed the need for organizational representative payees to assist those residents who receive social security benefits and are unable to manage their finances. After consideration, the decision was made to move forward to become an approved representative payee. The presented resolution is the first step in the process. Discussion ensued. Dorothy moved to approve the representative payee resolution. Lorraine seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Dorothy - yes, Lorraine - yes, Marty - abstain. Motion passed.

2022 Budget: Kim referenced the memo that was distributed with the budget and salary materials, and voiced her recommendation that staff receive a 5% salary increase in 2022. It was reported that the growth quotient determined by the state for 2022 is 4.3%, so a salary increase of 5% is reasonable. The board was unanimous in supporting the salary increase. A short discussion followed and concluded with a reminder that the public hearing for the budget will be held in September and the adoption is scheduled for October.

REPORTS

Trustee: None

Board: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2021.



Dorothy Granger, Secretary