

BAZETTA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 24, 2022, 7:00 pm
Bazetta Township Administration Building
3372 State Route 5, N.E.
Cortland, Ohio 44410

Present:

Chairman Trustee Michael Hovis YES
Vice Chairman Trustee Bob McBride YES
Trustee Michael Morelli YES
Fiscal Officer Stacy Marling YES

Chairman Trustee Hovis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and followed with a moment of silence.

Trustee McBride reminded the assemblage of the Public Comment Procedures and that the meeting was being video, and audio recorded for informational purposes.

CORRESPONDENCE (COPIES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST:

ADMINISTRATION: The Fiscal Officer's monthly financial report will be posted to the township web site. Please visit at www.bazettatwp.org, under the tab titled Administration, Financial page and Reports. See attached agenda items

- Reminder the Trumbull County Commissioner's Meeting on the Elm Road Waterline Project has been postponed to a later date to be determined
- Chairman Trustee Hovis – Please visit, follow, and share our new "Bazetta Township Ohio" Facebook page for updates and community events
- As a reminder our Administration Office is open Monday-Friday, 10:00AM-2:00PM to serve our residents

Comments: None

027 -23 Resolution to accept the meeting minutes from the January 10, 2022, Regular Trustees Meeting.

Motion: Trustee McBride

Second: Trustee Morelli

Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

028-23 Resolution to authorize the Fiscal Office to pay all outstanding invoices and approve all warrants incurred from January 1, 2023, through February 28, 2023

Motion: Trustee Morelli

Second: Trustee McBride

Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

029-23 Resolution to authorize the Fiscal Officer to request advances for the 2022, 1st half Real Estate taxes from the Trumbull County Auditor.

Motion: Trustee McBride
Second: Trustee Morelli |
Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

030-23 Resolution to authorize the Fiscal Officer to amend the 2023 Certificate of Estimated Resources for the unencumbered cash carryover for the following funds:

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Fund 2011 Motor Vehicle License Tax \$35,516
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Fund 2401 Special Assessment \$1,476
Fund 3101 General Bond Retirement \$10,553

Motion: Trustee Morelli
Second: Trustee McBride
Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

Comments: None

FIRE DEPARTMENT: See agenda items

Report from Chief Rink:

- Thank you to the Trustees and Fiscal Officer for their support
- Cutbacks have been made on things they can control but the cost of fuel and supplies has gone up

Comments: None

031-23 Resolution to hire Steven Hall as a Part-time Firefighter/paramedic on an as needed basis with a hire date of January 24, 2023, pending his physical and drug screen. Pay rate will be \$16.00 an hour and he will serve a one-year probationary period.

Motion: Trustee McBride
Second: Trustee Morelli
Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

032-23 The Board of Trustees of Bazetta Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, hereby determines to proceed with a levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation, in the amount of 2.0 mills, to be submitted to the electors at the special election to be held on May 2, 2023, and directs the Township Fiscal Officer to certify the required documents to the Trumbull County Board of Elections, all in accordance with the Resolution below.

BAZETTA TOWNSHIP, TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 018-23 Fire Department Additional Levy 2.0 Mills

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF
THE TEN MILL LIMITATION FOR FIRE PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Bazetta Township Trumbull County, Ohio and it is necessary to levy taxes in excess of the limitation; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purposes pursuant to Revised Code §5705.19(JJ) to provide funds for the Township Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2023, the Board of Trustees passed and adopted Resolution 18-23 declaring the necessity of levying a tax outside the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of the Township Fire Department, and the Fiscal Officer certified the Resolution to the County Auditor; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2023, The Auditor provided the Township a Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue, certifying that:

- 1) The property tax revenue that will be produced by the stated millage, assuming tax valuation of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$333,470.00.
- 2) The total tax value of the township is \$166,735,050.00; and
- 3) The millage is 2.0 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$70.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Bazetta Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, all members elected thereto concurring, that the Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of an additional levy in excess the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of Bazetta Township Fire Department as follows:

- 1) The proposed rate of the tax shall be 2.0 mills for each one dollar of taxable value.
- 2) The purpose of the tax shall be:

For providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other related costs.

- 3) The tax is an additional levy.
- 4) The sections of the Revised Code authorizing submission of the question of the tax are: R.C. §505.37, R.C. §5705.19(I) and R.C. §5705.191.
- 5) The tax is for a continuing period of time.
- 6) The tax is to be levied upon the entire territory of Bazetta Township.

- 7) The ballot measure shall be submitted to the entire territory of Bazetta Township.
- 8) Bazetta Township is wholly located in Trumbull County, Ohio.

- 9) The date of the election at which the question of the tax shall appear on the ballot is May 2, 2023.
- 10) The tax year in which the tax will first be levied is 2023 and the calendar year in which the tax will first be collected is 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the form of ballot to be used for submitting the question of such additional tax levy to the electors of Bazetta Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, and cast at the election, shall be in conformity with all provisions of law and/or as follows:

"An additional tax for the benefit of Bazetta Township, Trumbull County Ohio, for the purpose of providing for the Township Fire Department, by providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other related costs, that the county auditor estimates will collect \$333,470 annually, at a rate not exceeding 2.0 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$70 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for a continuous period of time, commencing in January 2023 and first due in calendar year 2024.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fiscal Officer shall certify a copy of this Resolution, the Resolution of Necessity, and the Certification of the County Auditor to the Trumbull County Board of Elections, not less than ninety days prior to the May 2023 election and notify said Board of Elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

Motion: Trustee Morelli
Second: Trustee McBride
Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Nothing for agenda

Report from Sgt. Greathouse: Nothing to report.

Comments: None

ROAD DEPARTMENT: See agenda Items

Report from Liaison Trustee McBride:

- The new truck is up and running
- The bridge on Cadwallader Sonk is done and open. There will be a weight study and a 5Ton limit sign will be installed
- Also completing a weight study for Durst Clagg Road

033-23 Resolution to request the Trumbull County Engineer's Office to conduct a Weight Limit Study on, and to assign a Weight Limit to Durst Clagg Road Between Johnson Plank and Portage Easterly Roads at no cost to the Township.

Motion: Trustee McBride

Second: Trustee Morelli

Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

Comments: None

PLANNING DIRECTOR, ZONING INSPECTOR AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Nothing for the agenda

Zoning Inspector Pete Pizzulo to report:

- Will be submitting a suggested Zoning fee list that will be updated at the next meeting
- Has made several calls to Mr. Warzala's attorney and no one has gotten back with him. Will be sending the package to the attorney for further action

Comments:

ZONING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: See agenda items

- Zoning Commissioners held their Regular Quarterly/Reorganizational Meeting yesterday
- A work session has been scheduled for February 13 to work on some conflicting language in the Zoning Resolution
- The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold their Regular Reorganizational Meeting on January 30, 2023, at 6:30PM at the Township Hall

Comments: None

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: Nothing for the agenda

REMINDER: The park Board's Regular Meetings are held at the Administration Building on the second Monday of each month at 6:00PM

Chairman Trustee Morelli to give update:

- Easter Egg Hunt will be changed to Saturday April 8th, 2023 at 11:00AM and will be the Opening Date of the Park as well
- Set up will be at 9:00

Comments:

- Trustee McBride inquired about the signs in the Story Book Lane and the State is working on having them up for the opening

ASKED TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA:

Julie Green, Director of Trumbull County Planning Commission

Nicolas Coggins, Assist Director, Trumbull County Planning Commission

Kimberly Vaughn, Plats & Zoning Coordinator/Community Development, Trumbull County Planning Commission

Ret. Colonel Dignan

Dave Christner, President of the Eastern Ohio Military Affairs Commission

Assist. Director, Nicholas Coggins gave a presentation on an "Overlay" to our township's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Resolution to accommodate restrictions in our land use for parcels identified as being in the flight path. These are in the draft and educational stages with a complete date of around April to the beginning of summer. The Township is encouraged to adopt this plan to be compliant with the air base which will in turn help our air base secure missions and remain open.

PUBLIC COMMENT: We will accept public comment at this time.

If anyone has a question or comment

- Raise your hand
- The Chairman will recognize you
- State your name and address for the record

Multiple speakers at the same time will not be allowed

Comments:

Cheryl Tennant of 1061 Perkins Jones Road

- Asked Trustee McBride if the sink hole has been fixed to which he replied it had. Also inquired if there is a weight limit study being done and Trustee McBride replied it is being conducted presently
- Inquired why the police business list is not updated. Trustee Hovis advised the fire Department has a current list. He was not sure she was given the correct list from the Police Department

034-22

Resolution to adjourn meeting at 7:48PM.

Motion: Trustee Morelli

Second: Trustee McBride

Vote: Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES



Chairman Trustee Michael J. Hovis

2/14/2023

Date



Vice Chairman Trustee Bob McBride

02-14-2023

Date



Trustee Michael Morelli

02/14/2023

Date

Deanna Boggess

From: Fiscal Officer
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 8:07 PM
To: Deanna Boggess
Subject: RE: AGENDA NEETING REMINDER

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hello,
Please add the following:

Resolution to authorize the Fiscal Officer to request advances for the 2022 1st half real estate taxes from the Trumbull County Auditor.

I am hoping to have another one also, just need to calculate the numbers. I will try and get that to you tomorrow evening.

Thanks!

Stacy A. Marling

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From: Deanna Boggess <dboggess@bazettatwp.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 10:36 AM
To: Meeting Agenda Reminder <MeetingAgendaReminder@bazettatwp.org>; Nathan Greathouse <ngreathouse@bazettatwp.org>; Mark Tempesta <mtempesta@bazettatwp.org>
Cc: Deanna Boggess <dboggess@bazettatwp.org>
Subject: AGENDA NEETING REMINDER
Importance: High

All,

Just a friendly reminder to have your agenda items into me by Friday at 4 for the Trustees Regular Meeting on Tuesday January 24, 2023 at 7:00PM

FYI The Trustees will be having a Public Hearing on Zoning Issues at 6:00Pm prior to the regular meeting.

Have great day!

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Deanna Boggess

From: Fiscal Officer
Sent: Saturday, January 21, 2023 12:16 PM
To: Deanna Boggess
Subject: Resolution

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Hi Deanna,
Please add the following resolution to the agenda:

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Thanks!

Stacy A. Marling

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BAZETTA FIRE DEPARTMENT



Date: 01/20/2023
To: Trustee Hovis, Trustee McBride, Trustee Morelli
From: Chief Tom Rink
Re: 01/24/2023 Trustee's Meeting

Agenda items:

- Resolution to hire Steven Hall as a Part-time as needed Firefighter/paramedic with a hire date of January 24, 2023, pending his physical and drug screen. Pay rate will be \$16.00 an hour and he will serve a one-year probationary period.

Non agenda items:

Deanna Boggess

From: Nathan Greathouse
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 4:12 PM
To: Deanna Boggess
Cc: Michael Morelli; Bob McBride; Michael Hovis
Subject: Police Agenda

Deanna,

Per Chief Herlinger there is nothing for the agenda from the police department for the trustees meeting on Tuesday 02/24/2023.

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