

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD
SYNOPSIS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES PROCEEDINGS**

All Meetings Held at Bloomfield Township Hall (Meetings Streamed Online and on Local Access T.V.)

November 13, 2023: Regular Meeting

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

1. Public Comment

The following people communicated with the Board during the meeting:

- Mark Antakli
- Barbara Nixon
- David Urbiel
- Christina Guerrieri
- John Henke
- Renee Axt
- Morgan Guerrieri
- Courtney Urbiel

2. Approve Board Minutes of October 23, 2023

APPROVED

3. Discussion of Bloomfield Township Public Library Millage Proposal for February 2024

PRESENTED

The Bloomfield Township Public Library (“BTPL”) will be asking voters to renew one of its three millages, originally approved in 2014, during the presidential primary scheduled for Tuesday, February 27, 2024. If approved, the millage will be renewed at its current rate of 0.5047 mills. This will generate a revenue of approximately \$2.5 million, in 2024, supporting present services and accomplishing the goals of the library’s strategic plan.

4. Consider Approval of a Revised Site Plan for Legacy Hills Proposed Patio Plan, 3901 – 3936 Legacy Hills Drive

TABLED

The Planning, Building & Ordinance (“PBO”) Department reviewed the proposal for the Legacy Hills development which would allow patios to be part of its approved site plan. Presentations were made from pertinent parties detailing their views on the request. The Board tabled the item for the area residents to work out a solution. This item may re-appear before the Board for final determination at its Monday, February 12, 2024 regular meeting if no compromise is made in the interim.

5. Update Concerning the November 7, 2023 Bloomfield Hills School District Special Election

PRESENTED

The Clerk’s Office reviewed the various election related statistics concerning the School District’s fall 2023 election and provided a preview of what to expect during the 2024 election cycle.

6. Consider Approval of the December 1, 2023, Millage SPECIAL ASSESSMENT Rate for the Bloomfield Village Police and Volunteer Fire Services for Fiscal Year April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024

APPROVED

The Supervisor’s Office reviewed the process for calculating the Bloomfield Village public safety assessment rate.

7. Consider Approval of American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) Expenditure for Electric Door Strike Replacement

APPROVED

The Information Technology Department recommended the Flying Locksmiths as the preferred vendor to purchase new electric door strikes in the amount of \$47,390.00. This project will replace eighty-eight locks throughout the Township and comes with a five-year warranty.

8. Discuss and Consider Spending ARPA Funds to Update our Strategic Plan and Compensation Study

APPROVED

The Supervisor’s Office discussed using additional ARPA funds to update the Township’s Strategic Plan and Compensation Study. The Board approved using ARPA funds for these two projects and allowed the Supervisor to solicit bids through the Request for Proposal (“RFP”) process. Once the RFP process is closed, bids will be brought before the Board for final approval.

9. Approve Payroll and Vouchers for November 13, 2023

APPROVED

10. Adjournment at 10:02 p.m.

ADJOURNED

Included in Packet:

- September 2023 Report of Monthly Activities – Fire Department

November 16, 2023: Special Meeting

Members of the Board of Trustees were in the audience as the Michigan Department of Natural Resources ("DNR") conducted public hearings to consider the Township's requests for implementation of local watercraft controls on Sodon Lake, Orange Lake, Island Lake, Forest Lake, and Lower Long Lake. This hearing was administered by the DNR and not the Township. The Board had no formal role at the hearings.

November 20, 2023: Special Meeting

Members of the Board of Trustees were in the audience as the Michigan Department of Natural Resources ("DNR") conducted public hearings to consider the Township's requests for implementation of local watercraft controls on Chalmers Lake, Meadow Lake, Wabeek Lake, Gilbert Lake, and Wing Lake. This hearing was administered by the DNR and not the Township. The Board had no formal role at the hearings.

November 27, 2023: Regular Meeting

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1. Public Comment

The following people communicated with the Board during the meeting:

- Mark Antakli

2. Approve Board Minutes of November 13, 2023

APPROVED

3. Introduction of New Police Officers

PRESENTED

The Police Department provided a crime update and introduced four new officers: Gunther Brieger, Jacob Csizmadia, Jon Schneemann, and Kristofor Camaj.

4. Presentation of the 48th District Court Budget for 2024-2025

APPROVED

The Court reviewed last year's activities and presented its 2024 proposed budget totaling \$4,834,000.00. The Board approved the Court's budget and the Township's advancement of \$1,487,422.00.

5. Approval for the Purchase of New Workout Equipment through Exercise Warehouse, Under the 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant

APPROVED

The Fire Department recommended Exercise Warehouse as the preferred bidder to purchase \$46,633.00 worth of workout equipment for all Township fire stations. The purchase is being funded primarily by an Assistance to Firefighters Grant ("AFG") with the Township covering ten percent, \$4,663.30, of the expense.

6. Approval for the Purchase of Radio and Communications Equipment for the Emergency Operations Center Grant Project

APPROVED

The Fire Department recommended the purchasing of new communications equipment for the Township's Emergency Operations Center ("EOC") through Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$62,745.63. The purchase is being funded by an EOC grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") with the Township covering twenty-five percent, \$15,686.41, of the expense.

7. Consider Appointment of Member to the Board of Review

APPROVED

The Assessor's Office recommended the appointment of Mr. Jason Dabish to the Board of Review, term expiring Tuesday, December 31, 2024.

8. Consider Award of the Forest Lake Country Club Sewer Replacement Contract

APPROVED

The Engineering & Environmental Services Department ("EESD") recommended a deteriorating sanitary sewer be replaced near the Forest Lake Country Club ("FLCC"). The Township's on-call emergency contractor, D'Angelo Brothers, Inc., was awarded the contract after submitting a bid totaling \$897,694.00.

9. Consider Approval of Amended Purchasing Policy

APPROVED

The Accounting Department presented an amended purchasing policy and noted that the biggest change concerned purchase order requirements to spend monies.

10. Consider Approval for Additional Defined Benefit Pension Plan Contribution for FY 2024

APPROVED

The Accounting Department announced that Township revenues and investment earnings will be higher than anticipated this year. A recommendation was presented to authorize using the unexpected surplus to benefit the Defined Benefit ("DB") Pension Plan by contributing \$7,500,000.00 in lieu of the required minimum amount of \$4,837,010.00.

November 27, 2023: Regular Meeting (Continued)

11. Preliminary Budget Presentation

PRESENTED

The Accounting Department presented the preliminary Township budget for Fiscal Year Ending ("FYE") March 31, 2025, and provided an update on the current FY spending and budget projections.

12. Consider Resolution to Comply with Provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011

APPROVED

The Accounting Department reviewed Public Act 152 and its regulation of public employee healthcare benefits. The Township has exercised its right to opt-out every year since 2011.

13. Consider Approval of Amended Credit Card Use Policy

APPROVED

The Treasurer's Office presented the amended Credit Card Use Policy and remarked that it serves as an important tool for ensuring good government.

14. Approve Payroll and Vouchers for November 27, 2023

APPROVED

15. Adjournment at 8:42 p.m.

ADJOURNED