

**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.)

October 9, 2023: Regular Meeting

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

A moment of silence was held to honor the victims of the violence that erupted on Saturday, October 7, 2023, in Israel and Gaza.

1. Public Comment

The following people communicated with the Board during the meeting:

- Mark Antakli

2. Approve Board Minutes of September 26, 2023

APPROVED

3. Bloomfield Hills Schools Building and Site Sinking Fund Millage Renewal Proposal

PRESENTED

Bloomfield Hills School District (“BHSD”) Interim Superintendent Dr. Randy Liepa discussed the district’s request for voters to renew a Building and Site Sinking Fund Millage Proposal. If approved, funds collected will go towards school district related renovations, repairs, and capital equipment needs.

4. Consider Approval of American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) Expenditure for the New Phone System

APPROVED

The Information Technology Department recommended Teoma Systems as the preferred vendor to replace the Township’s current phone system in the amount of \$151,053.98.

5. Consider Approval of ARPA Expenditure for the Storage Area Network (“SAN”) Replacement

APPROVED

The Information Technology Department recommended Abtech Technologies, Inc. as the preferred vendor to replace the Township’s Storage Area Network in the amount of \$75,568.91.

6. Consider Approval of ARPA Expenditure for the Campus Wireless Network

APPROVED

The Information Technology Department recommended AmeriNet, Inc. as the preferred vendor to purchase a campus wireless network in the amount of \$45,108.12. Discussion was held clarifying that voter information and equipment is stored on a secure state network as opposed to the Township’s network.

7. Consider Approval of Audio/Video and Laptop Quotes for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”) 2023 Emergency Operations Center (“EOC”) Grant Program

APPROVED

The Information Technology Department, in coordination with the Fire Department, discussed how the Township has obtained a \$240,000.00 grant to design and supply an Emergency Operations Center. AVI/SPL was recommended as the preferred vendor to design the room at a cost of \$129,152.97. The purchasing of Dell Technologies’ audio/video equipment, laptops, and a charging cart will total \$155,572.43.

8. Consider Approval of ARPA Expenditure for Document Management Consultant

APPROVED

The Clerk’s Office recommended Security Archives as the preferred vendor to serve as the Township’s document management consultant in the amount of \$169,000.00. In this role, Security Archives will identify the Township’s document management needs and will offer solutions that will aid in creating a more efficient and transparent records system.

9. Consider Approval of Cell Tower Lease for AT&T

APPROVED

Since December 2022, the Treasurer’s Office has been working with AT&T to renew its lease on the Township’s cell tower. The salient economic terms of the lease were reviewed. The Board authorized the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the lease only upon receipt of a countersigned version of the lease with the understanding that a structural analysis will be provided to the Township to supplement Exhibit C.

10. Consider Establishment of a Nonsufficient Funds (“NSF”) Fee Policy

APPROVED

The Board adopted the proposed policy to charge an NSF Fee, in accordance with state law, to payers who submit uncollectible payments to the Township. This policy will help offset bounced check charges issued by the Township’s bank.

October 9, 2023: Regular Meeting (Continued)

11. Consider Approval of an Employment Agreement for Operations Officer **APPROVED**
- Owing to the fact that the Fire Department has become appropriately staffed, the position of Operations Officer is now able to be filled. The position is being re-imagined to take part in the department's community relations efforts. Battalion Chief Kevin Cardinale is slated to assume the position.
12. Approve Payroll and Vouchers for October 9, 2023 **APPROVED**
13. Adjournment at 8:01 p.m. **ADJOURNED**

October 23, 2023: Regular Meeting

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1. Public Comment

The following people communicated with the Board during the meeting:

- Maureen D'Avanzo
- Celia Leikin
- Jennifer Gray
- Kerry Doman Montalto

2. Approve Board Minutes of October 9, 2023 **APPROVED**
3. Consider Acceptance of UHY Independent Audit of March 31, 2023, Financial Statements **ACCEPTED**

Urbach Hacker Young, LLP ("UHY") presented an overview of Bloomfield Township's independent audit. The auditors found no significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in the Township's finances and provided an unmodified opinion on the township's financial statements, its highest level designation.

4. PUBLIC HEARING: Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Application, Plan Year 2024 **APPROVED**

The CDBG program provides income eligible seniors with minor home repair and meals on wheels services. The estimated allocation to both services is \$42,500.00 and \$7,500.00 respectively.

The following individuals communicated with the Board during the hearing:

- None

The following individuals submitted written comments pertaining to the hearing:

- None

5. PUBLIC HEARING: Consider Approval of a Site Plan & Special Land Use Request for Bloomfield Christian School, 3570 Telegraph Road **APPROVED**

The Planning, Building & Ordinance ("PBO") Department reviewed the proposed site plan and special land use request for the Bloomfield Christian School's new sports court. The sports court, as proposed, would consist of a new batting cage and basketball/pickleball playing area. The Board approved the site plan and special land use request with several amendments.

The following individuals communicated with the Board during the hearing:

- Dr. Raphael Sapeika, 1035 Glenwood Court; Against
- Celia Leikin, 1040 Parkway Trail; Against
- Maureen D'Avanzo, 1030 Parkway Trail; Against

The following individuals submitted written comments pertaining to the hearing:

- Maureen D'Avanzo, 1030 Parkway Trail; Against

6. Consider Approval of Change Order No. 4 for the 2023 Jan Roncelli Safety Path Repair Program Contract **APPROVED**

Following Board approval of two road paving Special Assessment Districts ("SAD") in Bloomfield Village, the Engineering & Environmental Services Department ("EESD") performed an assessment on existing safety paths within the boundaries of the two districts. \$409,015.95 worth of repairs were identified and EESD recommended approval of the proposed change order to allow for work to begin before the new roads are paved. This strategy will negate having construction traffic and equipment traverse the newly paved roads after completion.

7. Treasurer's Report **PRESENTED**

The Treasurer's report contained information regarding all cash and investment funds managed by the Treasurer's Office. Additionally, an open seat on the Financial Sustainability Committee was announced. Those interested in serving on the Committee have until close of business on Thursday, November 16, 2023, to apply.

October 23, 2023: Regular Meeting (Continued)

- 8. Consider Approval of a Resolution in Support of Proposed Local Watercraft Controls on Gilbert Lake, Wing Lake, Chalmers Lake, Wabeek Lake, Orange Lake, Sodon Lake, Forest Lake, Lower Long Lake, Meadow Lake, and Island Lake** **APPROVED**
- On Thursday, November 16th and Monday, November 20th a total of ten public hearings will be conducted by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”) on whether local watercraft controls should be adopted on the ten lakes listed above. The Board approved the proposed resolution which affirmed its position that the proposed controls are warranted, disputed the DNR preliminary reports, and authorized the Township Clerk to submit a written public comment to the DNR in support of the proposed controls.
- 9. Consider Approval of a Resolution to Rescind the Township’s Resolutions of February 28, 2022, That Proposed Local Watercraft Controls for Haines and Fox Lakes** **APPROVED**
- The Haines Lake and Fox Lake resolutions were rescinded because both lakes are small and located entirely within the Wabeek Country Club. The Country Club will use trespass laws, instead of a formal ordinance, to regulate said lakes.
- 10. Approve Payroll and Vouchers for October 23, 2023** **APPROVED**
- 11. Adjournment at 9:22 p.m.** **ADJOURNED**