

**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.)

April 8, 2024: 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:

- Mike McCready
- MaryAlice LeDuc
- Mark Antakli
- Angela Powell, Oakland County Commissioner for the 9th District
- Chris Barbat

2. Approve Board Minutes of March 25, 2024 **APPROVED**

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Consider Approval of a Site Plan & Special Land Use Request for Primrose Day Care, 6255 Telegraph Road **APPROVED**

The Planning, Building & Ordinance (“PBO”) Department presented the site plan and special land use request to construct a new Primrose daycare facility at 6255 Telegraph Road. The request was approved with conditions.

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

The Planning, Building & Ordinance (“PBO”) Department reviewed the details of the Legacy Hills Association’s revised site plan and summarized the terms and conditions that have been reached between the Association and the adjacent Woodcrest Lakes Subdivision. The revised site plan was approved with conditions.

5. Consider Approval of an Amended Site Plan for Proposed Internal Drives at Franklin Woods Subdivision, 7141 Franklin Road, and Bloomfield Mill Subdivision, 7010 Franklin Road **APPROVED**

The Planning, Building & Ordinance (“PBO”) Department presented the amended site plan request for the Franklin Woods and Bloomfield Mill Subdivisions. The developer seeks to construct an internal drive layout that would serve to connect the individual driveways built for each lot within the two respective subdivisions. The amended site plan was approved subject to requirements.

6. Planning, Building & Ordinance Department 2023 Annual Report **APPROVED**

The Planning, Building & Ordinance (“PBO”) Department presented its department’s 2023 annual report and summarized the latest industry trends, recognized the work performed by both staff and volunteer members comprising the Township’s various Boards and Commissions.

7. Liquor License Discussion **APPROVED**

The Planning, Building & Ordinance (“PBO”) Department reviewed the Township’s present Liquor License Ordinance and its application process. Research was presented as to how other municipalities approve liquor licenses which may improve efficiencies in Bloomfield Township if similarly adopted. The Board discussed amending the liquor license ordinance and directed PBO to continue its research and present its recommendations at a later meeting.

8. Consider Approval of 2024-25 Water and Sewer Rate Resolutions **APPROVED**

The Department of Public Works (“DPW”) presented the Township’s water and sewer rate recommendations and reviewed how the Township’s rates are structured.

9. Discuss Michigan Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”) Local Watercraft Control Findings and Resolutions Concerning Ten Lakes within the Township **APPROVED**

The Clerk’s Office provided an update regarding the Township’s petition for local watercraft controls on select lakes that were sent to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”) for approval. The Township has received the DNR’s response and the Board decided to proceed with introducing the ordinances, as proposed by the DNR, for the applicable Lakes at the Board’s April 24, 2024, regular meeting and to consider additional steps.

10. Consider Approval of a Drug and Alcohol Policy for Bloomfield Township Senior Services Department as Required by the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation **APPROVED**

The Senior Services Department presented a Drug and Alcohol policy set by the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (“SMART”) as part of the contract with Senior Services.

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11. Consider Approval of OAKWAY Aid Association & Mutual Aid Box Alarm System ("MABAS") Division 3202 Interlocal Agreement **APPROVED**

The Fire Department advised the Board that the Department of Health and Human Services is requiring that all Advanced Life Support ("ALS") transporting agencies must have an updated and reviewed MABAS agreement. The agreement is the same as the one approved in 2019 with only one change: Independence Township has been added to make 11 full-time departments.

12. Consider Award of the 2024 Jan Roncelli Safety Path Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") Ramp Improvements Contract **APPROVED**

The Engineering & Environmental Service Department ("EESD") reviewed the Annual Safety Path Program and the 2024 ADA Ramp Improvements Program with the Board. This year, 59 ramps have been identified as needing replacement. Bids were accepted on March 26, 2024, and five bids were received. Luigi Ferdinandi & Son Cement (Roseville, MI) was the low bidder with an amount of \$360,572.33.

13. Award of the Tree Grant Contract **APPROVED**

The Engineering & Environmental Service Department ("EESD") discussed how, in 2021, the Township was awarded a grant to plant trees its right-of-ways. Six bids were received this year with Greg Davis Landscape Services being the lowest qualified bidder in the amount of \$30,750. This vendor will plant 80 trees in the Township this year.

14. Stormwater Drainage Public Education **PRESENTED**

The Engineering & Environmental Service Department ("EESD") has been tasked with educating residents on jurisdictional ownership of Storm Sewer and ways to mitigate future flooding, investigating known issues and developing a system to address problem areas as they are identified. This educational program will be introduced to residents within the next few weeks.

15. Approve Payroll and Vouchers for March 11, 2024 **APPROVED**

16. Adjournment at 10:59 p.m. **ADJOURNED**

April 24, 2024: Regular Meeting

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- ADDED ITEM:** Consider Appointment of Chairman of the April 24, 2024, Board of Trustees Meeting **APPROVED**

Clerk Martin Brook was appointed chairman of the meeting in the absence of Supervisor Dani Walsh.

1. Public Comment

The following people communicated with the Board during the meeting:

- James Clelland
- Paul Copses
- Mark Antakli
- Michael Alberts
- Jim Parker
- State Representative Natalie Price, 5th district

2. Approve Board Minutes of April 8, 2024 **APPROVED**

3. Treasurer's Quarterly Report **ACCEPTED**

The Treasurer's Office reviewed the Township's investments and commented on each category of funds.

4. PUBLIC HEARING: Hearing of Assessment Concerning Phase 2 of Bloomfield Village's Road Paving Special Assessment District ("SAD") No. 426 **APPROVED**

The Assessor's Office discussed SAD 426, which seeks to complete 2.62 miles of select road repairs within Bloomfield Village. The Road Commission for Oakland County ("RCOC") received bids to complete the project on March 26, 2024. AJAX Paving Industries, Inc. submitted the lowest qualified bid with the final project cost being \$8,073,592.92. This amount is \$200.00 more than the original cost estimate.

The following people addressed the Board during the hearing:

- Angelo Perakis, 527 North Cranbrook Road; Asked question
- Mark Antakli, 1550 Georgetown Drive; Made general comments
- Mary Jo Wall, 3624 Tuckahoe Road; Asked question
- Greg Fletcher, 3370 Burning Bush Road; Asked questions and made general comments

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- Alex Pryka, 711 Wooddale Road; Against
Mr. Pryka also made comments against the SAD for the following individuals: Mary Lou Maybee, 3540 Woodale Court; Patrick Barone, 3545 Roland Drive; and Matthew & Nicole McCardle, 3365 Burning Bush Road
- Stephanie Connolly, 555 Hupp Cross Road; Against
- Patrick Barone, 3545 Roland Drive; Against
- Matthew McArdle, 3365 Burning Bush Road; Against
- Catherine Weissenborn, 400 Hamilton Road; Support

The following people submitted written comments to the Board concerning the hearing:

- Patrick Barone & Elizabeth Corby, 3545 Roland Drive; Against
- Matthew McArdle, 3365 Burning Bush Road; Against
- Alex Pryka, 711 Wooddale Road; Against

5. PUBLIC HEARING: Hearing of Assessment Concerning Phase 1 of Bloomfield Village's Road Paving Special Assessment District ("SAD") No. 427

APPROVED

The Assessor's Office discussed SAD 427, which seeks to complete 3.26 miles of select road repairs within Bloomfield Village. The Road Commission for Oakland County ("RCOC") received bids to complete the project on March 26, 2024. AJAX Paving Industries, Inc. submitted the lowest qualified bid with the final project cost being \$10,691,917.38. This amount is approximately one percent less than the original cost estimate.

The following people addressed the Board during the hearing:

- Brian Gamo, 130 Waddington Road; Against
- Richard Simmons, 164 Waddington Road; Against
- Julia Gragg, 300 North Glenhurst Drive; Against
- Caitlyn Hatman, 419 Westwood Drive; Against
- John Bobrowaski, 210 North Glenhurst Drive; Against
- Elizabeth Rivenburgh, 920 Yarmouth; Against
- Michael Doonan, 166 North Glenhurst; Against
- Susan Winters, 1085 Waddington Road; Against
- Catherine Weissenborn, 400 Hamilton Road; Support
- Richard Simmons made additional remarks against the project

The following people submitted written comments to the Board concerning the hearing:

- John & Kathleen Bobrowaski, 210 North Glenhurst Drive; Against
- Alfred & Diane Gade, 591 Yarmouth Road; Against
- Mark & Julie Masters, 1428 North Cranbrook Road; Against
- Graham Ritter & Sara Young, 1320 Covington Road; Against

6. Consider Approval of Resolution Declaring Official Intent to Reimburse Project Expenditures with Bond Proceeds

APPROVED

The Treasurer's Office discussed how the Township will be selling bonds to finance the Bloomfield Village road paving projects. To ensure the project can begin on May 6, 2024, the Township needs to front money for the project to the Road Commission for Oakland County ("RCOC"). The resolution presented tonight was prepared by bond counsel at Dickinson Wright, PLLC and authorizes the process detailed above.

7. Consider Approval of Senior Services Wellness Month Proclamation

APPROVED

The Senior Services Department presented the proclamation recognizing the importance of older persons in our community. Throughout May, the Senior Center will be broadening their programs to encourage seniors to engage in physical activity and to support their wellness journey. The proclamation was read into the record.

8. Consider Approval of Franklin Fire Dispatch Service Agreement

APPROVED

The Police Department presented an agreement for Bloomfield Township to takeover fire dispatch services for the Village of Franklin from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office ("OCSO"). Due to service rate increases implemented by OCSO and to improve efficiencies, the Village approached the Township to take over fire dispatch duties. The agreement goes into effect Thursday, April 25, 2024, and the Township will charge a rate of \$35.00 per fire run with a two percent increase annually.

9. Consider Approval of Oakland County Tactical Consortium Agreement (OakTac)

APPROVED

The Police Department presented the updated OakTac agreement which expands services to include police training, mutual aid response, and post-incident recovery aid to participating Oakland County police agencies.

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- 10. Consider Resolution to Approve Submission of Proposal to Electors on August 6, 2024, and Approve Ballot Language for Proposal to Renew Public Safety Millage** **APPROVED**
- The Treasurer's Office informed the Board that this is one of three public safety millages. It is the smallest and represents approximately 10 percent of the total tax revenue generated from the three millages. The last levy of this millage will be in December 2025, but it is proposed for the August 6, 2024 ballot to avoid the cost of holding a special election in 2025. The proposal asks to renew at the rolled back rate, which is estimated to be 0.6474 mills or about 64 cents for every 1000 dollars of taxable value. If this proposal is approved by the Board and by voters in August, the first collection would be in December 2026.
- 11. Introduction of Lot Split Request for 5845 Lahser Road** **INTRODUCED**
- The Planning, Building & Ordinance ("PBO") Department introduced the lot split request for 5845 Lahser Road. The property owner is seeking to demolish the existing residential structure and divide the parcel into two single family residential lots. The Public Hearing is scheduled to appear before the Board at its May 28, 2024, regular meeting.
- 12. Introduction of Proposed Ordinance Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for Site Standards for Ground Mechanical and Electrical Equipment** **INTRODUCED**
- The Planning, Building & Ordinance ("PBO") Department introduced Proposed Zoning Ordinance 678. The proposal seeks to clarify the criteria that will allow ground mechanical or electrical equipment units to be installed on residential and nonresidential properties. The Board will consider adoption of this amendment at its May 28, 2024, regular meeting.
- 13. Consider Township's Response to Department of Natural Resources Finding that Conditions Exist for a Local Watercraft Control** **APPROVED**
- The Clerk's Office reviewed the Township's efforts to establish local watercraft controls on select lakes within the Township. Proposals were submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources ("DNR") and the DNR determined conditions existed for the establishment of local watercraft controls and made a recommendation to implement slow, no-wake speeds on the applicable lakes. The Clerk's Office recommends adoption of the DNR's recommended ordinances and to appeal their decision for the larger waterbodies. Efforts will be made not only to pursue a second petition establishing a "no motorboat" ordinance but to also advocate reforming the DNR watercraft control statute to enhance local control.
- 14. – 24. Introduction of Ordinance 679 to Repeal Township Ordinance Sections 40-22 and 40-23 and Introduction of Ordinances 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689 for Local Watercraft Control on Wing Lake, Gilbert Lake, Chalmers Lake, Wabeek Lake, Orange Lake, Sodon Lake, Forest Lake, Lower Long Lake, Meadow Lake, and Island Lake** **INTRODUCED**
- The Board introduced and scheduled the ordinances for final adoption consideration through one motion. Furthermore, the language of the ordinances has to be adopted verbatim as to how it was prepared by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources ("DNR").
- 25. Consider Approval to Extend the Original Bid for the Department of Public Works ("DPW") Rooftop Units ("RTU") Replacement Project** **APPROVED**
- The Department of Public Works ("DPW") commented on the need to replace a second RTU for the DPW Building. Eastside Mechanical, having already been awarded a contract to replace one RTU, offered to extend their original bid to the second RTU. The total cost to purchase and install each unit is \$62,220.00, below the \$70,000.00 that was budgeted for each unit.
- 26. Consider Approval of 2024 Micro-Seal Contract** **APPROVED**
- The Department of Public Works ("DPW") reviewed how DPW staff have evaluated and prioritized 213 miles of local roads for repair. In particular, the Micro-Seal process was identified as the preferred method of maintenance on four miles of roads in the Township. A thin layer of asphalt and special additives will be applied on applicable roads that would address minor cracking and surface wear. The project went out to bid in February 2024 with the lowest, and only qualified bidder being Pavement Maintenance Systems LLC in a budget amount not to exceed \$300,000.00
- 27. Consider Approval of 2024 Asphalt Replacement Contract** **APPROVED**
- The Department of Public Works ("DPW") reviewed how the asphalt replacement initiative will allow for the asphalt patch paving of three miles of Township roadways identified by the DPW's Road Division staff. The 2024 project went out to bid in March 2024 with the lowest qualified bidder being Hutch Paving in a budget amount not to exceed \$650,000.00.

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28. Consider Approval of Concrete Repair and Replacement Contract

APPROVED

The Department of Public Works reviewed how the concrete repair and replacement initiative will rehabilitate concrete sections of severely damaged local roadways. The 2024 project involves replacing 2,261 square yards of damaged roads in the Township. Bids were released in March 2024 with the lowest qualified bidder being Zuniga Cement Construction, Inc. in a budget amount not to exceed \$250,000.00

29. Approve Payroll and Vouchers for April 24, 2024

APPROVED

30. Adjournment at 10:02 p.m.

ADJOURNED