



Bethel Township Board of Trustees
July 29, 2025 6:00 PM
Workshop Meeting Agenda

CALL TO ORDER Time: _____ Presiding: _____
Roll call: Administrator Smith: _____ Fire Chief Cahill: _____ Fiscal Officer Ross: _____
Trustee vanHaaren: _____ Trustee Reese: _____ Trustee Dick: _____
Assistant to the Fiscal Officer Fortunato: _____

PUBLIC COMMENTS on items on the Agenda

NEW BUSINESS:

Administration

1. None

Zoning

2. None

Fire/EMS

3. None

Road Dept/Cemeteries

4. Speed bumps on Eastland stolen
5. Scarff Rd sink hole

Fiscal Office

6. Meeting minutes: 6/24/2025 workshop, 7/1/2025 regular business meeting, 7/15 special meeting
7. Amend appropriations to program level
8. Payment to Five Rivers Metro Park
9. Cost savings:
 - a. Re-negotiated Waste Management contract from \$630.18/month) to \$101/month for a savings of \$6,350.16 (\$7562.16 vs \$1212)

Trustee Items

10. None

OLD BUSINESS:

Administration

1. Budget – 5 year plan
2. Board retreat – July 18th 1-5 pm at the Tipp Center - completed
3. Walnut Street dead end – Administrator Smith waiting on Atty Lopez
4. Archive Social – on hold

Zoning

5. Hook up GIS computer to the network, update GIS – Administrator Smith working with the County
6. Updates to zoning resolution text

Fire/EMS

7. Training program for new recruits
8. Expired helmets – waiting on County prosecutor for waiver

9. Surplus equipment sales – list is prepared, will combine with road dept surplus
10. Fire Dept discussion with Elizabeth Twp

Road Dept/Cemeteries

11. National Pavement Analysis – resolution on upcoming business agenda
12. West Charleston Road repairs
13. Seasonal workers/contractors for tree trimming
14. No parking signs for Lisa and Gibson
15. Surplus equipment sales – old mowers – will work with Fire Dept to create a complete list
16. Friendship Park digital mapping

Fiscal Office

17. Healthcare insurance – switch to Aetna

Trustee Items

18. Short-term rental lodging tax
19. Meeting room / shelter
20. House Bill 113 – amend ORC regarding annexation and add section 3311.222
 - a. Introduced Feb 18, 2025, refer to committee Feb 26, 2025
 - b. Proponent testimony provided April 30, 2025.
 - c. Opponent testimony provided June 11, 2025.
21. Position for an anti-annexation employee – no new news
22. Trustee goals and objectives – no new news
23. Review/update our Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual – no updates at this time

OTHER DISCUSSION TOPICS:

1. None

PUBLIC COMMENTS on any topic

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, provided that both of the following conditions apply:
 - (a) The information is directly related to a request for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered under any provision of Chapter 715., 725., 1724., or 1728. or sections 701.07, 3735.67 to 3735.70, 5709.40 to 5709.43, 5709.61 to 5709.69, 5709.73 to 5709.75, or 5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Revised Code, or that involves public infrastructure improvements or the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project.
 - (b) A unanimous quorum of the public body determines, by a roll call vote, that the executive session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project.

If a public body holds an executive session to consider any of the matters listed in divisions (G)(2) to (8) of this section, the motion and vote to hold that executive session shall state which one or more of the approved matters listed in those divisions are to be considered at the executive session.

Motion to enter executive session, (1) which is necessary to protect the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project, for the purpose to consult with an attorney regarding negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance.

Motioned by Trustee _____ Seconded by Trustee _____
Vote: Trustee Dick: _____ Trustee vanHaaren: _____ Trustee Reese: _____

Time in Executive Session: _____
Return to regular session time: _____

ADJOURNMENT motioned by Trustee _____ Seconded by Trustee _____
Vote: Trustee Dick: _____ Trustee vanHaaren: _____ Trustee Reese: _____
Time: _____