



**Bethel Township Board of Trustees**

**July 18, 2025 1:00 PM**

**Workshop Retreat 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 agenda items

**DISCUSSION**

***Budget – 5 year plan (Administration, Zoning, Fire/EMS, Road Dept, Cemeteries, Fiscal Office, Trustees)***

1. Administrative, Zoning, Trustees
  - a. Computers
  - b. Other equipment
2. Fire/EMS
  - a. Computers
  - b. Fire engine
  - c. Other equipment
  - d. Other tools
  - e. Potential new building
3. Road Department & Cemeteries
  - a. Computers
  - b. Roadside mower
  - c. Street sweeper
  - d. Other equipment
  - e. Other tools
  - f. Ditch repairs, drainage projects
  - g. Road maintenance, paving
4. Site maintenance/improvements
  - a. Parking lot
  - b. Lighting
  - c. Buildings
5. Friendship Park maintenance/improvements
  - a. Restroom maintenance
  - b. Playground maintenance
  - c. Parking lot maintenance
6. Any other budget discussion

## Strategic Plan

1. Communications
  - a. Website
  - b. Social Media (Facebook, Instagram)
  - c. Newsletter
  - d. Meetings
2. Financial
  - a. Investment strategy
  - b. Review contracts as they come due, get competitive bids
  - c. Review of bills and provide recommendations if warranted
3. Fire/EMS
  - a. Discussion with Elizabeth Twp
4. Road Dept
  - a. Seasonal workers
  - b. Road maintenance/paving strategy
5. Cemeteries
6. Friendship Park
  - a. Enclosed shelter / meeting room
  - b. Fitness trail
  - c. Courts – basketball, pickleball, tennis, etc.
7. Anti-Annexation
  - a. Position for an anti-annexation employee
  - b. Ag easements, development rights
  - c. Other strategies
8. Zoning Plan
9. Any other strategic planning discussion

## MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 which is necessary to consider information related to 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## FINAL THOUGHTS

ADJOURNMENT motioned by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Trustee Dick: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee vanHaaren: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Reese: \_\_\_\_\_  
Time: \_\_\_\_\_