

BLSG Board Minutes
Meeting of Nov. 15, 2018

Present: Ben Lawton, Wayne Rausenberger, Brad Lawes, Mike Blaisdell, Jeff Whiting, Jeff Smith, Will Mathis, Rebecca Holmes (new Representative for Salisbury), Steve Belcher
Guests: Lynn Peck

Ben Lawton called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

1. Jeff Smith, seconded by Mike Blaisdell, moved to accept the minutes of the meeting of Oct. 18, 2018. The Board approved.

2. Wayne Rausenberger presented the Treasurer's Report, giving the balances in the Equipment Replacement and Capital Improvement account and the general checking. The figures are:

Equipment/Capital	\$ 4, 974.81
General Checking	\$66.106.40

3. The Board then discussed the Budget proposal offered by Wayne.

It was decided eventually to list the larvicide expenditures, funded by the state, separately. Their annual allocation is \$70,000. Expenses have exceeded that sum, given the rise in costs since the allocation was determined, but the excess, so far, has been covered by the state.

There is disagreement on whether the Pittsford capital contributions (\$17,750 on top of annual contributions, for several years) should be counted as payments forward (toward future costs) or backwards (as a rebate to other townships).

There was discussion of many line items; adjustments were proposed and approved. It is noted that one of the trucks will need to be replaced in the next year.

After the Executive Session, on a motion by Brad Lawes, seconded by Mike Blaisdell, the budget, as amended by the discussion, was approved. The finalized figures will be presented at the next Board meeting. One line-item will note the deficit for this year.

4. Jeff Whiting moved, seconded by Wayne, to go into Executive Session at 8:00 pm for the purpose of discussion the status of the appeal by the Toxic Action Center of the Pesticide General Permit issued to the BLSG by the State and to discuss the budget related to that. The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:45. No actions followed the executive session.

5. Wayne Rausenberger noted that elections were due. Jeff Smith made a motion, seconded by Brad Lawes, to continue the current officers. The motion passed. Ben Lawton will continue as Chair, Jeff Whiting as Vice-Chair, and Wayne Rausenberger as Treasurer.

6. Mike Blaisdell presented the outlines of a possible school presentation program, as part of the public outreach effort. Since Kerry White, who would make the presentations, was not present, discussion was postponed.

The next meeting is slated for Dec. 20, 2018.

Submitted,

Steve Belcher, pro tem