

Bba minutes July 1, 2025

In attendance: Torina White, Mike Ackermann, James McClellan, Kimberley Bublik, Nancy Fay, Kathy Sidaway, Jim Warzlow, Kelley Brubaker, John Shulan

Minutes from June meeting accepted as submitted.

Treasurers Report:

As of June 30, 2025, BBA has \$8,021.86 in the checking account. We have not yet received the information to pay out the 2025 scholarship of \$500 and there are receipts pending reimbursement of approximately \$200 for the garage sale. The expected profit from garage sale is approximately \$1450. Balance sheet, P&L, and Budget to Actual Reports, all thru 6/30/25 were presented and will be posted on the website under the "Members" portal.

Township Administrator's report:

- Phase II of the Cleveland Massillon sidewalk project is complete, a ribbon cutting will be planned in August.
- Environmental Design Group is preparing a park master plan for the Bath Community Park. Improvements to include preliminary restoration of tennis/pickleball courts, additional parking and on-site stormwater management.
- Bath Township's 2026 budget will be available for public view up to a public hearing at 3:30 pm on 6/30/25. The budget will then be submitted to the trustees for approval at the 4:00 pm trustee meeting.

Membership: 67 paid members, 3 unpaid currently. Newest member is Corkscrew Johnny's. Mike Ackermann reminded us that any change in dues must be voted on no later than the November meeting. Discussion was had regarding ways to increase income to pay for and maintain a new website. Suggestions included an increase in dues to business owners, a one-time assessment for members, skip the scholarship for one year, sell advertising space on our website, and an increase in number of members. \$5000 for initial website setup and then approximately \$800-\$1200 annually. Conversation also on adding new membership category of non-profit.

Kimberlee offered to speak with the administrator of Bath Area Banter FB page to ask if they would be willing to feature a BBA member weekly. Would Scriptype? Torina reported that BBA FB page has had 22 new followers since May.

Garage Sale: 63 registered participants, 3 backed out. Last year there were 72. Jim and Mike said it was fun to pass out the stakes and balloons to participants and a chance to network and prospect for new members. Torina and James also helped. Torina and Jim called the last 10 or

so participants to come collect their signs. A survey will go out to the participants seeking feedback.

Ice Cream Social (Historical Society) and BBA Road Rally

September 21 Ice Cream Social from Noon – 3PM at The Old School House. Barb Baley and others from Kiwanis and Bath Historical Society will supervise activities for children. The Bake Shop in Ghent will provide ice cream and cake. Historical Society will pay for tent, tables and chairs. BBA will pay for the porta-john.

“Off the Beaten Path” Road Rally will begin at 3PM at the School House and end at 5pm at the Fay home on Yellow Creek with awards and optional picnic dinner. More details to follow. BBA members are asked to donate a prize (not a full basket, just a nice prize).

Welcome bags: Torina asked for update on welcome bags. No one has volunteered to take on delivery of the bags. Torina suggested rather than delivering the bags, we mail a post card to new residents asking they come to a specified BBA member location to pick up their bag.

New Business:

Kimberlee offered BBA the use of Bath UCC Church for our holiday party, alcohol ok. James emailed two dates in December to her to check availability.

Save the date:

August 5 Speaker – Kurt Kleidon, Small Business Marketing –

Members are encouraged to bring a guest

Sept. 21 Ice Cream Social & Road Rally

October 7 Speaker - David Axson

November 28 Bridge Lighting

December Holiday Party – date to be determined