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CALL MEETING TO	ORDER BY: Tim: 7:3	0 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance	lead Tim
Pfile			
Roll Call			
	1	Trustee Diehl: present, Bill N	•
-	sse Baughman, fire chie	f, absent, Rhonda Lipply, zoi	ning,
present;			
Guest: Ryan Lind- The P	ortager		
I. MOTION TO APPR	<b>OVE AGENDA</b> FOR 2	/23/2023	
Moved By: Diehl	Second: Jeffrey		
Mr. Pfile: Yes	Mr. Diehl: Yes	Bixler: yes	
II. MOTION TO APPI	<b>ROVE MINUTES</b> :		
A. Trustee meeting 2/09/	2023,		

Moved By: Diehl	Second: Pfile	
Mr. Pfile: Yes	Mr. Diehl: Yes	Bixler: abstain
B. Trustee special fire levy n Moved By: Diehl Mr. Pfile: Abstain	neeting 1/31/2023, Second: Bixler Mr. Diehl: Yes	Bixler: Yes

## **III.** Correspondences

Jeffrey: Ohio industrial commission reports for Paulus and Leland cases. Census reports regarding township boundaries. Tim: shared proofs letter regarding tax levy from board of elections. short discussion. Chris reported good job on town hall painting.

## IV. Old BUSINESS

Township door discussed regarding using Hartville Hardware bid.

Motion: Chris made motion to approve purchase from Hartville hardware for price of \$ 3124. 2nd by Tim. all trustees affirmative.

Tim asked Bill about BWC grant work. Bill said he entered to create and account. Bill said the tractor is on the unapproved list so would need to find a different Safety intervention equipment. Discuss possible cot lift for fire department. Fire department to follow up with pricing. Bill discussed there is a full list of procedures that must be taken and a safety rep from workers cop has to be assigned. reviewed grant is up to \$40000 grant but would require 20000 match.

Tim asked if any follow-up was done with vehicles for fire department. Jeffrey said \$375000 for new engine. Tim said he thought this was low, parts for old engine discussed, Chris mentioned need to consider brand new and what pricing would be. Jeffrey said same layout would be between 350 to 600 thousand. Also mentioned State bid.

Discussed other vehicle, chase vehicle as well. Mentioned Fire Show in Indianapolis, possible trustee to attend as well.

## V. Trustee Report:

none

## VI. Department Reports.

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information;

**1. Roads:** Painted town hall. Replaced exit sign town hall. Porter road needs french drain by bridge, will pursue with activities of country bridge repair. Evaluating trees in park for removal, Getting list of veterans graves together, hard copy typed u from poorly legible

hand records. Checking against grave markers. **2. Fire:** Chief Baughman reported EMS training will be held at Palmyra, geriatric trauma. March 6th training SE School Active Shooter classroom table top, Paris township. Shared Applications Kylee Phillips, EMT Basic, discussed application and

Jeffrey made motion to Hire Kylee Phillips as an EMT basic Seconded by Tim, after passing post offer testing required (may not need the physical due to recent) all trustee voted affirmative.

Shared information on another, Michael, discussed no certifications presently, discussed his case. Jesse wants to begin his training while he takes his classes beginning in June 2023. Trustees reviewed what he will be doing. Bill asked for clarification of staff status, would be paid at training rate for hours, basic training rate \$10.00.

Jeffrey made motion to accept Jacob Michael as an in training employee pending post offer testing. Seconded by Diehl. all votes affirmative.

David Ferrebee would like to return to the township fire department, as his work demands have been reduced and would like 2 shifts a month and try to fill in for open shift. Chris said he would make motion to accept hire with new application and meeting post offer testing. Jeffrey 2nd motion, All trustees affirmative vote.

Jesse reviewed pricing here received for some engines. Expressed activities on refurbishment, but Jeffrey interrupted, due to earlier discussion, and said to move to new engines. Jesse said it is about a 3 year wait, and a new cost is around \$750,000 to \$800,000.Bill asked what payment options were discussed, if they finance? Tim mentioned he is familiar with contract pricing later changing original amount as they are getting better deals, so contract must be solid in pricing, not negotiated later. Jesse said they lock in the price when contract is signed. Bill mentioned if the time line is that far out, we can work on holding funds for the purchase or down payment to reduce loan. Be asked about resale amount of engine we have. Tim mentioned setting up a fund for this. Different makes/brands were discussed in general as well as stainless steel frames.

**3. Zoning:** Rhonda Lipply reported needs motion to proceed on 3677 sr 14 to go to County Prosecutor about property cleanup.

**Motion:** Chris made a motion to move forward with a violation with prosecutor to get property cleaned up. Tim seconded. Bill asked what the specific citation would be for the record and resolution clarification. Rhonda to forward zoning violation number to Bill. She reported there are violations filed to two residences (Shill and Lapasky)for zoning violations. Edinburg tractor sign again discussed , not the front sign, but rather sign by highway. Chris said he talked with him. Rhonda said she prefers written communications. (Keiner (sp) Page 4-8-13 section n was reported as zoning violation later in meeting, so this will be **resolution 2023-007**)

4. **Fiscal Officer**: Bill presented the permanent appropriations suggested to the trustees for their review. He reviewed the formats and the fund, departments, and salaries project levels. He presented the full available resources are presented. Line items blocked in are not specifically for a specific item, but available to PO's, but not assigned (encumbered). Trustees mentioned they prefer it be appropriated now. He also reviewed the fire levy 2191, primarily salaries, but is being voted on this year. He said they may have to consider holding back on some fire spending for salaries in future until they know if levy passes. He reviewed all funds have less carry over compared to past years due to

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increased spending last year. He reviewed that due to increased salary cost in fire has required some line items to be eliminated in some fire funds into other fire fund line items, as reason for some being zero compared to previous years. Chris asked about purchasing a chaser vehicle from the general fund. Bill said right now this is only to approve permanent appropriations for 2023.

**Motion: Resolution 2023-006**. Chris made motion to approve final permanent appropriations for 2023, Seconded by Bixler. All trustees vote affirmative. Bill to submit to County Auditor.

Bill asked for motion to pay property taxes electronically. Mr Pfile made motion, seconded by Bixler. Trustees all affirmative.

(Rhonda entered the zoning violation number into the record see above)

Bill said he has reviewed receipt books, and zoning is missing one check, as when he got check from zoning it was over the check stated expiration date. He reminded Rhonda the check had been returned to her to follow up on, she agreed.

Bill reported he has update all fire rosters, town halls forms, and rental forms, dues and fees for cemetery and zoning and contacts on web page. He reported he needed to change wording on rental forms as they stated send payment, however, person would need to see if available before just sending in a payment and date; It appears no one had noticed this before. He also included the Fire departments annual report. He has not been able to get to all the minutes at this time. He also stated he added a statement about hall rental contact as people do not read the department contacts and send request to the general email, which goes to him, and then he has to forward to correct departments. He then shared an email relating to rental of ball fields for practice request that he had forwarded to the trustees. Trustees discussed that there is no reservation of the ball fields and anyone can use them. Tim mentioned we do not rent them. He said the ball fields aren't ready anyway. Jeffrey said he would call her to follow up. Tim said it is public and open for anyone, it can't be scheduled.

Bill asked about sale of zero turn mower at action based on a comment from a resident. Tim said he thinks they meant the Edinburg tractor, not the township.

Jesse came in later in meeting and his report typed under fire department above.

Church requested use of town hall parking on May 21st. Trustees approved. Hall will not be rented out.

Motion to pay EFT' and warrants 42960-42970

Moved By: DiehlSecond: BixlerMr. Pfile: yesMr. Diehl: YesBixler: Yes

VII. Motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm.Moved By: DiehlSecond: BixlerMr. Pfile: yesMr. Diehl: YesBixler: Yes

Tim Pfile, Chairman

Jeffrey Bixler Vice Chairman

Chris Diehl Trustee

William McCluskey, Fiscal Officer

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