

# Edinburg Township Trustees Meeting

At Edinburg Town Hall

October 14th

2021

CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY: Jeffrey@ 7:30 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Bixler: Chair, present, Diehl Vice chair: Present, Trustee Pfile: present. Bill McCluskey, Fiscal officer present, Jesse Baughman, fire chief present, Rhonda Lippy, zoning.

Guests: no guests

## **I. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR 10/14/2021**

Moved By:Tim

Second:Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

## **II. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:**

### **a. work session Trustee Meeting 9/30/2021**

Moved By:Tim

Second: Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

## **III. CORRESPONDENCE:**

Jeffrey shared communication regarding past employees ongoing Workers Comp. hearing, NOPEC Info. packets.

## **IV. Old Business:**

Tim: Road department removed shrubs at giddings and 183 to help traffic. Park Comittee Oct 31st 1-3 pm. Fire department judging, traffic boy scouts park board all participating, Chris hayride, Hot Chocolate, Gift Baskets, Bill to bring sound system, music, mic. Trustees thanked Nate for good job on display at township sign relating to Trunk or Treat information.

**Motion:** Jeffrey reviewed approval of \$15,000 to Moody and Nolan for initial dispay/drawings for Fire Department. Motion was passed, **Resolution is 2021-036.**

Tim reviewed County Christmas light competition information. Bill suggested the Edinburg United Church might be interested in combining with their annual event. Chris suggested combining. Bill will Talk with Pastor. Each township will judge participants and then present 1 winner to County liaison for County award contest.

Tim Discussed beginning contracting footer in cemetery through monument companies, rather than the township pouring, this will cut staff time, allow more immediate time frames (ours are twice a year), and cost relatives less (90 rather than 150 per sq.ft.) than township charges.

Chris said as long as they make them to township requirement he has no problem. Tim discussed how they perform services. Bill asked about revenue generation. Tim said we are not in the business to make profit/money, while Bill mentioned revenue is required to take care of cemetery. Bill asked for Cost/revenue will be reviewed and how it would affect cemetery maintenance. Jeffrey said if it a pass through, he has no problem, but revenue should be assessed. Tim mentioned higher cost might be due to amount of cement ordered, as larger loads are much cheaper. Chris mentioned it probably isn't make us a lot of money, but the road department is here to do this. Tim reviewed this is basically only 2 days a year.

### **Motion: Resolution 2021-037**

**Chris** made the motion to allow Monument companies to contract head stone footers, rather than township employees. Jeffrey as to allow but review in 6 months beginning after final township pour. Seconded by Jeffrey. All trustees voting affirmative.

Bill said he would need to change budget for 2022.

## **V. Trustee Reports**

Tim reviewed road department report. Discussed 700 bill for beds. Trustees said was approved already. Alternator for the Back Hoe discussed. Stroup road chip and seal finished, hot box repaired, radiator repaired also on back ho. Spindle needs repaired on

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mower belt.

Department Reports.

**1. Road:** Tim: Road work driveway culvert, Digging ditch out as heavy truck traffic causing it to sink. Will be meeting with County Engineer about road project grant. Additional Hydraulic lines in new truck. Mowing township park and cemetery, Footers pushing completion, next week.

**2. Fire department.** 31 incidents compared to 21, 2020. 3 fire, mutual aid, 26 ems calls, 6 MA. Received MA on 5. 1 due to staffing. 1 open burn complaint Palmyra. 295 compared to 274 2020.

Flash over trailer, training, to be held after 10/30/2021 for fire fighters. Cost falls under regional training grant. Tom Freborg is retiring from fire service. Letter read.

Motion, Jeffrey: Accept resignation of Tom Freborg. 2nd, Tim. All affirmative from trustees.

Jesse asked for approval of OTARMA 1000.00 grant for Site portable scene lights. 636 each. Asking for approval of full amount. He stated only one scene light working, and no battery backup.

Trustees in approval, Jeffrey made motion, seconded by time 1272.00. Bill asked if shipping was included. Jesse said yes. All trustees affirmative.

County is again trying to initiate Marcs Radio Grant. Discussion held regarding number needed, if fire department needs them, pros and cons to present systems. Participation of County grant is in play, but based on percentage, all but Edinburg and Rootstown signed on. (first presentation to Edinburg trustees) \$50,000 max for township, including mobiles and portable. Dispatch already in play with Marc's system. Jesse reviewed all county participants as well as non-fire departments. Tim asked reason for Rootstown not participating, suggesting that Chief felt his present system meets his needs. Jeffrey asked for cost, Jesse reported 10.00 per month per radio, first year as part of grant. Further discussion held regarding number of units and potential, benefits in county wide and neighboring county communications, reception improvements, past history in station, while no decisions needed to be presented at this time, other than to participate.

Additional cost to township is estimated at \$150.00 a month. Jesse reported present radios are 8 years old and will need replacing. Chris suggested it should be all or none, rather than mix, but what is guarantee of fee remaining same. Unlike past use, presently most all counties are part of Marc's system.

Jesse asked for approval to move with approval, then present numbers of what is needed (but may not cover full cost of all radios needed) after review.

Jeffrey asked for motion to move forward with the grant proposal but needs trustees are informed of final numbers, Tim seconded. Bill asked for clarification of any contract for years of service agreement requirements. Not known. Trustees all voted affirmatively.

Clarification of checks in memoriam will be forwarded to Fire fighters association.

Trustees approved. Bill stated he did get them deposited but need transferred from Township fire fund to FFA.

Mr. Antos, new employee, reviewed for status of appointment. Case and requirements discussed.

Motion made by Jeffrey Bixler to appoint Zane Antos to fire department at base rate, probationary, until completion of trainings.

**3. Zoning Department:** Rhonda discussed zoning board members and participation, 3 no longer eligible. (Park board members discussed with one new member, but returned to topic)

Her discussions with County Prosecutor, suggest board take action/assist with some zoning permit problems and potential abuse. Few cases discussed. Prosecutor may be asked to intervene with proper channels of fine or prosecution. Zoning appeals board also discussed. Bill asked if the fine payment goes to County or the township. Not clear.

Jeffrey stated a full quorum is needed, not a full board. Further general discussion about building department participation lacking, potential interventions in general, observing

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from neighbor property with access granted.

4. **Fiscal Officer:** Bill reported need to resubmit budget to County Auditor to update fund codes and additional grant moneys received to allow spending, as well as now additional decrease in cemetery fund with this new foundation issue. Jeffrey state it should not yet be changed. Jeffrey asked for explanation for negative funds on budget, Bill reviewed and explained much of that more is carry over, but cannot be completed until year end is complete.

Trustees approved re-submission for amended certificate with additions of \$141,000 in funding/grants and closing out unused funds such as chip and seal \$15000 under what was appropriated.

Bill discussed one new letter of interest for park board (as letter of interest or resume required). Bill reported other emails have been forwarded to Parks Board Chairman.

Motion: Chris made a motion to appoint Marlon Brown to the Park and recreation board. 2nd by Jeffrey, all trustees in affirmation.

FO provided financials, Payroll, PO, Payments, EFT's, BC.

**Motion** to pay EFT' and warrants 42388-42418

Moved By:Tim

Second:Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

**Motion** to adjourn at 8:55 pm.

Moved By:Tim

Second:Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

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Jeffrey Bixler, Chairman

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Chris Diehl, Vice Chairman

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Tim Pfile Trustee

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William McCluskey, Fiscal Officer