

# Edinburg Township Trustees Meeting

At Edinburg Town Hall

August 12th

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, Jesse Baughman Fire Department.  
guest: none

## **I. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR 8/12/2021**

Moved By:Tim

Second:Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

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

### **a. Trustee Meeting. 7/29/2021**

Moved By:Tim

Second:Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

## **III. CORRESPONDENCE:**

Notice of Ohio Opioid Settlement information from State, copies shared with trustees by Fiscal officer.

Bill explained it was a recovery amount for opioid related costs to township. Discussed increased burden on fire department and cemetery funds. Jeffrey asked Bill to follow up with doing application. Deadline is August 20th.

Bill asked Trustees to approve resolution in case it is required for application. (See attached Resolution 2021-034 given out with Opioid Settlement Site) Trustees all agreed. 2020 annual bridge inspection report shared.

Chris shared Going green grant from NOPEC. Chris expressed it would cost township money, Jeffrey and Chris stated they did not want to participate due to cost. Requires 100% participation, however unclear if that would include individual residents as well.

## **IV. Old Business**

Jeffrey asked Fiscal officer status of American Recovery Act as he noted some disbursements have been made. Bill stated he just received last form from Mr. Pfile and will submit soon.

Jeffrey expressed lack of clarification on what it can be used for. Bill expressed seems more infrastructure related, water systems, Broadband, business support.

Tim stated Randolph says it can be used for fire department wages. Bill said his understanding was that the staff member must be Covid Specific, in that more than 50% of their time is strictly related to covid programs or treatment.

Bill discussed there was a problem with the Township DUNS number required to work with government grants. He said there were 4 identified, one with Edinburg address on Porter road, one PO box 485, one for Edinburg Zoning, and the correct address for Township, however, Township spelled incorrectly.

He discussed with government and merged the P.O. Box with the Tallmadge road address and corrected spelling (no h on end of Edinburg). Stated grant wants physical address, not PO box.

Jesse reported he had a DUNS number for the Fire department. Bill explained to Jesse that since the Fire department is not its own Business, it would use the Township DUNS number, it is not separate from the township, not a fire District.

Jeffrey discussed the billing related to a patient at last meeting. Trustees investigated and since patient did not request assistance.;

Ruled that Account due for (non-resident) ALLKYL be forgiven.

**Motion** made by Jeffrey, second Tim.

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Mr. Diehl: Yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

Bill added that there was treatment given, although she stated there was not any

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treatment. (For clarification relating to fire department billing patient).

Jesse reported he is following up with another resident that says she was billed. Bill expressed insurance is billed, any copays or denials are not billed against the patient.

Roof completed on Administration building. Bill stated he can hear the rain bang but not too bad.

Tim talked to bill Steiner and clarified Bill for Portage recycling. Bill stated the check has been released.

Tim Said he and Linda are taking care of the Township Sign for the Fair.

Time asked Bill if he received any information about a transportation grant for road projects. Bill said no. Tim shared with Bill and asked to share with Kevin for possible use. (due OCT.15th).

## V. Department Reports.

1. Road: Tim: Mowed roadsides, liner done on one truck, coal shoots in, funeral and cremation on Monday. Cross road culvert work discussed, Stroup and Porter. Tim expressed prepping for the truck liner was more costly than originally presented adding 700 to a welding of the bed.

Motion: To approve additional welding cost to new international truck bed not to exceed \$800.00.

Motion made by Tim, second Chris.

Mr. Pfile: Yes                      Mr. Diehl: Yes                      Mr. Bixler: Yes

2. Fire department. July had 21 calls compared to 39 last year. One fire semi truck tractor, 14 EMS calls 4 mutual aid, 3 received Mutual aid. 2 MVA, 2 open burns. Oil well line in west branch rusted through and an additional semi saddle tank leak, both occurred after passing construction site on 76. Total 216 this year is on track with 2020. Jesse presented an application for a new fire fighter. Wants to be volunteer fire fighter EMT, but machinist as full time career. Jesse stated in reorganizational meeting anyone interested in volunteering can be put through school. He would like to hire, then send him to fire school, the money will be reimbursable after graduating. Jeffrey asked why he is coming here and not Brimfield. Jeffrey said if he is going to trade school he wont have time. Also he does not have Ohio address yet. Cost of class is \$1400.00. Chris asked about repayment if not graduated. Jesse said to have contract written. Jeffrey said you can't do it, clarifying, you can have contract and go after it, but if they don't have a job you cant collect it. Jeffrey said he is not in favor of bringing him on. Tim asked if employee paid could we reimburse him. Jeffrey said as long as he gives us work time. Jesse said he is not going to be able to get volunteers if we aren't going to pay for school. Jeffrey said you can't expect the township to put up the money and then loose it. Further discussion regarding potential utilization on staff and potential employee. Bill asked about an escrow account. And if he has to be a Member to be reimbursed by the grant. Jeffrey said he would be willing to hire him, but not schooling, as we have lost money in the past doing this. Chris voiced concern over lack of residence establishment and age. Bill discussed payroll issues versus an actual employee/volunteer. If we schedule, they must be paid. Past volunteers only get paid for calls. Trustees agree to pay class level at \$8.75/hour.

**Motion** made by Jeffrey to hire( \_\_\_\_\_) at \$8.75, Second by Chris.

Mr. Pfile: Yes                      Mr. Diehl: Yes                      Mr. Bixler: Yes

Jesse said 2 more applications he has to review, EMT and EMT advance, 36 hour, but not interested in Fire 1.

3. Zoning Department: no report

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4. Fiscal Officer: FO provided financials, Payroll, PO, Payments, EFT's, BC. Bill asked for clarification of Mitchell communication bill as it is confusing, seems to be billing for same service, ?2 speaker charges of same speaker. Jeffrey reviewed, but also said looks like billing for the same service. Needs motion to pay amount over 500.00 authorized. Jeffrey said he would also like Jesse to clarify the bill, as looks like double charge on transistors/labor.

Jeffrey made motion to pay the mitchell bill \$572.00 approved if billing correct.

Seconded by Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

Bill stated he did follow up with Kevin about indigent burial. Still awaiting the burial and cremation permit before he can process grant. Only has 30 days after burial permit.

**Motion** to pay EFT' and warrants 42318-42366

Moved By:Tim

Second:Chris

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Mr. Bixler: Yes

**Motion** to adjourn at 9:03 pm made 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