

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY:** Tim Pfile: 7:30 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

Guest: none

**I. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR 9/28/2023**

Moved By: Bixler Second: Pfile

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

**II. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:** with changes to Bixler to present.

Special meeting 8/31/2023

Moved By: Bixler Second: Pfile

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

Regular meeting 8/14/2023

Moved By: Bixler Second: Pfile

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

**III. Correspondences**

Jeffrey presented bill for last year Christmas lights bill. New displays shared for options for 2023 display.

Tim reported communication from Beverly Nissel asking for permission to begin cleaning and restoration of cemetery markers. She will follow National Park System cemetery guidelines.

**Motion Resolution 2023-025** Pfile made a motion to allow Ms. Nissel to begin restoration projects in the Edinburg Cemetery. Seconded by Jeffrey.

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

Bill mentioned he has talked with her regarding purchase procedures if she needs product/supplies. Jeffrey asked to be sure she works with Cemetery sexton. Some general discussion regarding procedures she might use in repairs and setting.

Jeffrey asked Bill about contact for the Soil study. Bill said he did email that information to Jeffrey He looked up email and gave contact Jim Fincham to Jeffrey. Jeffrey mentioned he has more communications contacts to further evaluate the site. EPA seemed there would be a solution without giving up on the property.

**IV. Old BUSINESS.**

none

**V. Trustee Report:**

Time reported there was another Health Department inspections of Concession and she said it was one of the cleanest she has seen and passed the center.

Jeffrey asked about payment to Terry Dillon. Bill said it was for product only, not actual repair work of the dugout hit by lightning.

**VI. Department Reports.**

**1. Roads:** Tim per Kevin; Roadside mowing and Park mowing. Road department doing some patching porter Road, Chip and seal mostly completed. May do grindings in front of chapel at cemetery as the ground is too unstable for chip and seal right now.

**2. Fire:** Jesse reported EMS training information regarding Amber CPR instructor Training, will work with staff, then try doing an annual Training open to the community.

Bill asked about the charge for the equipment. Jesse said it will be loaned from UH but will apply for grant for future. Bill asked if the FF Association or the Township will be applying for grant. Jesse said the Department.

Jesse discussed hose testing and vendors and problems with Waterway. New vendor is set up. Bill said he has already completed the vendor credit line with Intertech and should be ready to go, as he has gotten \$4000.00 credit approved. They will be testing hose and ladders.

Primer on 1513 needs repaired, was discussed with Jeffrey and he already approved. \$2175.00. to Countryside.

1518 check engine light also shows an error.(ECR value?). Performance discussed.

**Motion:** Jeffrey made motion for the township to pay for repair of primer pump at \$2167.00 to Countryside . Seconded by Tim.

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

Bill corrected the amount as 2167.47.

Jesse discussed specs for pricing of fire engine to find final cost.

Still waiting on GM to approve pick up truck submission for build. Jesse asked if they should just look on the lots. Bill stated he did discuss fleet vehicle for Dodge with a dealer who would beat the State contract pricing. Now the trustees discussed changing the specs. Tim said he would follow up on the State Bid price raise to \$75,000 goes into affect. Bill said he found statement regarding October 3rd, however, it is not from the state so he is not sure to trust this information.

**3. Zoning:** no report

**4. Fiscal Officer:** Bill asked for approval of price increase in bill from Charley's garage door after installation. Higher than original approval. 5900 to 6380. He stated he did however manage to get a grant to pay for the new pricing already.

**Motion:** Jeffrey made motion for the township to pay for replacement of garage doors by Charleys Garage door at \$6380. Seconded by Tim.

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

Bill stated the Ambulance worker grant was approved for \$20,000. but the money has not yet been received. Trustees will need to review their decision on how to pay this out. Bill explained the basics to Jesse of the grant funding and how trustees approved use for training and as a work bonus incentive for worker retention to have station staffed more than presently. The amount would be about \$20.00 per shift, excluding and taken out for Training Bill mentioned this might just pull staff from working during the week to the weekend only. He mentioned changing wages would be subject to overtime, so trustees have chosen a bonus. Timing as Grant must be paid out by June 30th. Jesse said rather than shifts during the week, he would consider a higher rate for weekend shifts which are harder to staff. Trustee are working with addition of bonus on weekend. Holidays was

mentioned but rejected as we already pay time and 1/2 for holidays. Bill again asked Jesse to review training options if staff wishes to increase their levels, however, contract would be required. Jeffrey asked for review to keep all money from going to training and missing work incentive. Bill reviewed contract that was shared by Randolph township briefly.

Jesse discussed EMA reviewing a push by County Commissioner for an Southeast EMS district as well as EMA director. Not a Fire District. Looking at 3 stations, 2 ems, 24/7 full time employees, roughly \$50 to \$70,000. Apparently there is one million available. No fire related calls are included. They did not want to meet at a formal meeting here at this time, rather informal. They would want townships to offer 3 ambulance for ems. Bill mentioned this would need passed on a ballot. Bill asked how they would be using our present levies, which are not separated between fire and EMS. Jeffrey said they would put on a levy for the district, and we would drop our levy. Bill mentioned it would hurt us, and Jeffrey agreed, as we would still be required to provide fire service, and we employ ems/ff. They would not do EMS, only FF? Bill said we would also lose our EMS revenue. Trustees and Fiscal Officers pushed interest in including Fire and just do a Fire district. More general discussion about staff, costs, and will review issues at the meeting. Jeffrey will present these issues/questions. Bill mentioned it would help if our station was a center for district, Trustees discussed this location as central as well as 76.

**Motion** to pay EFT' and warrants 43196-43207 Moved By: Jeffrey Second: Tim  
Mr. Pfile: yes Mr. Diehl: Bixler: yes

**VII. Motion** to adjourn at pm. 8:25 Moved By: Jeffrey Second: Tim  
Mr. Pfile: yes Mr. Diehl: Bixler: yes

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Tim Pfile, Chairman

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Jeffrey Bixler Vice Chairman

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Chris Diehl Trustee

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William McCluskey, Fiscal Officer