

EDINBURG TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

Edinburg Townhall

September 26, 2013

Diane Austin called the regular meeting of the Edinburg Township Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, present; Thomas Repcik, present; Sandra Templeton, present; Judy Repcik, present; Chris Diehl, absent; Tim Paulus, present; Julie Bearss, present; Tami Scott, present.

RESOLUTION 2013-145: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to approve the Agenda as presented; this was seconded by Thomas Repcik. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM PERSON(S) IN ATTENDANCE:

David Starcher, Resident – Farmer Elizabeth Bann, Resident
Donnie Burns, Resident Brent Redeker, Resident
Mayor Bica, Ravenna Mayor

Diane Austin: Could you state your name, please?

Donnie Burns: Donnie Burns.

Diane Austin: Ok. Go ahead.

Donnie Burns: Your Old Business says you're going to update the status of the Highlands zoning issue. Is there any current update?

Diane Austin: Yes, I just got it here. The BZA has scheduled a meeting for October 7 at 7pm at the Administrative Office to approve the minutes.

Donnie Burns: Thank you.

RESOLUTION 2013-146: A motion was made by Thomas Repcik to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2013 Regular Meeting as presented; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

CORRESPONDENCE

OLD BUSINESS

--Status on Highlands Zoning Issue -- An update was just given. Tami reported that Mr. Stevens was the only BZA member who has confirmed that he will attend the October 7 meeting. She went ahead and scheduled the meeting because the matter could not be delayed longer. She is mailing a reminder letter to all of the members.

--Transfer of property to Edinburg United Church – Diane has not heard from Chris Meduri yet so she will email him in the morning. She does not want to meet with the pastor until more is known.

--Training Process for Zoning Inspector – Julie has received her keys and the alarm code. She has met with Chris Meduri for her training.

NEW BUSINESS

--The Trunk or Treat date has been set for Sunday, October 27, 2013 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. at the Edinburg Park. The costume judging will be from 2:00 – 2:30 p.m. Neighborhood trick or treating will be from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. This is not sponsored by the Township--if residents would like to participate, they are to turn their porch light on. This will be finalized during the first Trustee meeting in October.

NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

--The EMS Closure Authorization

RESOLUTION 2013-147: A motion was made by Thomas Repcik to send the five EMS Closures presented to Collections; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Tami Scott and Julie Bearss - Zoning Inspector, Zoning Secretary, Administrative Secretary & Parade

--She made/received 20 phone calls.

--She issued three permits.

--A BZA meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administrative Offices to approve the minutes of the Longgood Appeal. A legal ad will run on Saturday and letters will be mailed to the BZA members to remind them to attend.

--Training activity – Tami and Julie plan to meet on Tuesday to work on Zoning items.

Tim Paulus - Fire Department Report

Dispatch

--He reported that the meeting with Garrettsville went well but their rates are going to be too high. They are presently splitting the cost of a full-time dispatcher between Community EMS and Garrettsville Fire District at about \$13,000 each and would have to charge the same to any entity that joins.

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Kent State has no interest at this time. Aurora has not yet responded.

Grants

--He reported that the Township has once again been denied for the Ohio EPA Education grant. He is looking for other sources for the trees. The grant scoring has not been posted yet. He had corrected everything they didn't like on the last application so he will wait and see what they say.

--Lowe's has a grant open that could be used to replace the floor in the Town hall. The deadline is October 15 but he recommends that an application be submitted right away. There are a number of things that could be done: commercial laminate, carpet or a combination thereof. Depending on the type of flooring, the grant would be between \$4,000 and \$7,000. All agreed to apply for this grant.

RESOLUTION 2013-148: A motion was made by Diane Austin to apply for the Lowe's grant to replace the Town Hall flooring; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

Employee

--The Participation/Training letters have been sent.

Smoke Detectors

Smoke detectors are being given out at a little faster rate now. The sign and radio announcement by WNIR has helped.

Chris Diehl - Roads, Buildings, Cemetery and Park

--He was not present to give his report.

Thomas reported that the tire replacement for the grader and the backhoe has been completed.

Water conditioner for the town hall needs to be serviced now that we have had the well worked on by Templeton well drilling company. They flushed and updated the pressure switch for the well and we will continue to monitor the system.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Judy Repcik - Fiscal Officer Report

She presented the following:

--Year-to-Date Cash Summary

--The Medical Insurance Anniversary Date has changed to December 1.

--The Health Coverage Notices has been distributed to all employees.

--Medical Mutual Insurance rate has increased to 7.87%.

--Bonding information has been sent in for Julie Beerss Zoning Inspector.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Thomas Repcik

--He reported that the Township received the OTARMA More Grant for \$500, which he had submitted for the fence at the park. This brought the cost of the fence down to about \$1,200.00.

--The latest HAZ-Mat check came in this week for \$1,461.00. He let Tim Paulus and Chris Meduri know.

--He recommends that the Township joins the State of Ohio's Natural Gas Aggregation program thru Ohio DAS which we are a member. The savings would be from 11% – 33% lower than current pricing. There is no penalty for switching. The Township is currently paying \$4.29 per MCF. All agreed.

--Tom suggested using the old, unused fuel tanks to collect and recycle residential oil, we currently collect and store the oil from the township vehicles and then have a company come and remove it and pay us for the amount they collect. This would give all the residents a chance to properly get rid of their spent oil from their vehicles. Chris will move the tanks toward the back corner of the salt storage building. We will put notices out that this will be available for Edinburg residents.

The question was asked: What about antifreeze? Tim said he would check into this and we could use the third tank for collecting the antifreeze. The Township will remove the meters from the tanks and send them to the auction to be sold.

Sandra Templeton

--She had nothing further to report at this time.

Diane Austin

--She had nothing further to report at this time.

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RESOLUTION 2013-149: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to approve the payment of the bills; this was seconded by Thomas Repcik. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2013-150: A motion was made by Diane Austin to enter into an executive session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss contracts and invite Ravenna Mayor Joe Bica to join; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2013-151: A motion was made by Diane Austin to come out of executive session at 8:25 p.m.; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2013-152: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton that the meeting is adjourned at 8:26 p.m. this was seconded by Thomas Repcik. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

Diane Hargett Austin, Chairperson

Thomas Repcik, Vice Chair

Sandra Templeton, Trustee

Judy Repcik, Fiscal Officer