**Edinburg Townhall** 

July 26, 2012

Thomas Repcik 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, present; Tim Paulus, present; Tami Scott, present. Also present: Gary Stewart, EFD

RESOLUTION 2012-105: A motion was made by Diane Austin to approve the Agenda as presented; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

## COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM PERSON(S) IN ATTENDANCE:

Dennis Moore, Resident

**Dennis Moore:** Well, the only thing that I have a question about is what Dave Saltsman talked to you about and I spoke to you about.

**Diane Austin:** Yeah and I called Dave back the other day and talked to him. Have you talked to Dave? I told him that I wanted to—I apologize, I've been running back and forth to doctor appointments every day to Akron so haven't been here very much. I did bring it up to them at the Trustee--this is Mr. Moore just for the record. I brought it up at the last meeting and we talked about it—with what Ohio Edison is doing—the survey.

**Thomas Repcik:** I can run over and get that letter if you want me to.

**Diane Austin:** Do you want to? Why don't you make a couple copies and we'll give him one.

#### Thomas exits.

**Dennis Moore:** I found out two additional things.

**Diane Austin:** I called the same number you did and left a couple of messages and nobody called me back. **Dennis Moore:** My neighbor has already engaged [names lawyer] to represent him and I told him [lawyer] I'd keep him in the loop. He and I were chatting and I found out that Summit Oil had to move a gas and oil line down in Atwater and we think it might be the same group.

**Sandra Templeton**: Are we talking about Ohio Edison?

**Diane Austin:** They're doing that surveying down through Clark Road for the possibility of moving the power lines.

**Dennis Moore:** This is probably, maybe 800 feet from the road.

**Diane Austin:** What we're trying to figure out—there's nothing the Township—they supersede us and there's no zoning issue with this or anything.

**Dennis Moore:** It's legalized theft.

**Diane Austin:** It is. They are following the Ohio Revised Code and I went through this when I was a child with West Branch. We received a letter, which he's going to get you copies, I'm not sure on this but it's because of some bat that is an endangered species and the government is making the power company give them viable options as to other areas they could place the power lines if they have to—isn't that about right? I was explaining to Dave—we went through this, well it's probably been eight to ten years ago now, with the Kent airport when they wanted to sell, they had to give options they said that one of the options was Stroup Road and everybody showed up. They're going to go to the Portage County airport but they had to give them all these options so I told Dave I was going to get a copy because I couldn't find mine—I had it.

Chris Diehl: The surveyors were down on Stroup Road too.

**Diane Austin:** For this electric line?

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Chris Diehl: I think so. I'm guessing—it's the same vehicle and they were down there in the area of Kane's—it looked like they were actually back on the property where the beavers are. I thought maybe they were gonna maybe—it didn't really make any sense why they were down on Clark Rd especially whenever I saw them up there, I thought maybe they were going to expand on the power line that's already existing and maybe go right beside it because that's where they were at on Stroup Road—right where the power line goes across this already—cuts across the corner of the Township over there but that's too far away. When they are down on Clark I said that's probably too far away, I would think.

**Diane Austin:** I'm guessing it's probably like with the airport they have to provide more than one option to the government for funding--but it's over some bat.

Sandra Templeton: They were just down on Taylor Road.

**Diane Austin:** When I read this—I'm like: this makes no sense.

**Sandra Templeton**: These women were just over on Taylor Road because Jimmy when over to Mike Wells' and said let's go back and see the bat ladies. One of them is from Tennessee and one is from Pittsburgh and they put this net up on these poles that the bat goes up and down and when they catch these bats they have to measure them and do all this stuff to them and then they let them go. But they're gone already.

**Dennis Moore:** People on Clark are not happy.

**Diane Austin:** I understand that just like they weren't with Stroup Road with the airport. **Sandra Templeton:** But there might be a chance that nothing is done down there either. **Diane Austin:** Well, I know but you can't—well we'll see what it says when he brings it back.

**Dennis Moore:** If you combine all of our block that's the site.

Diane Austin: I'm with you over a bat.

**Sandra Templeton**: When they were down there doing it, Jimmy said it was wild.

**Chris Diehl:** They told you where they were looking at?

**Dennis Moore:** I walked down with the surveyor and that's the only way I found out what the heck was going on

**Chris Diehl:** It's in behind your place then?

Dennis Moore: Yep.

**Diane Austin:** And you're right next to Loftin's place? Is it on your property?

**Dennis Moore:** It's gonna go about three quarters of the way back –800, 900 feet off the road—about three quarters of the way back on my lot which means Richie's gonna lose—how many acres in trees.

**Diane Austin:** Where are they trying to bring it from?

**Dennis Moore:** I have no idea.

**Diane Austin:** That's what didn't make sense to me. I tried getting on the website too—which I'm sure you did and that was a waste of time.

**Tim Paulus:** We had the map originally—months back.

Diane Austin: Yeah, way way way back. But I don't remember where they—

**Tim Paulus:** Yeah, Tom had this letter from them with a map, with an alternative. Showed the existing, and then it showed the proposed alternative or whatever. It's probably been three or four months ago.

Chris Diehl: There are two of them that actually come across this already—cut through that part

**Dennis Moore:** It's gonna come real close to that A-frame –Saltsmans and Ralstons about 800 feet off the road. Like I said, it's gonna end up looking like the minutemen and the British.

Sandra Templeton: But nobody knows for sure, right?

**Diane Austin:** Isn't that under the PUCO? **Tim Paulus:** Mmhmm. [affirmative]

**Dennis Moore:** Now I did contact Mr. Bevitis our \_\_\_\_\_Recorder.

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**Sandra Templeton**: You probably could find out if you got a hold of the right person but if you don't know that they're gonna do that for sure.

**Diane Austin:** Nobody will call you back.

**Dennis Moore:** I've been in touch with his office--they're going to approach the PUCO 'cause they had no idea what I was talking about.

**Diane Austin:** Yeah, when you called me I'm like "I'm not sure what you're talking about" and then when I came in and we talked about it -ok, I vaguely remember this and they said they were talking about surveying and then when we got the bat letter—

# Thomas rejoins the meeting

**Dennis Moore:** At least we've got some answers now.

**Diane Austin:** Well, I don't know about that—it's pretty vague. **Dennis Moore:** But it's more than what we've been able to get. **Diane Austin:** We just got this at the beginning of the month.

**Dennis Moore:** They're telling us nothing. **Diane Austin:** Oh it's the Indiana bat.

**Sandra Templeton**: That makes sense why they have the bat ladies then on Taylor Road. **Chris Diehl:** We probably won't be able to stop them but the bats will be able to stop them.

**Thomas Repcik:** They must be what, a protected species or something?

**Sandra Templeton**: Yes, they have to do that. **Dennis Moore:** It's the only endangered bat in Ohio

**Thomas Repcik:** I never knew that.

**Diane Austin:** And when you go to these websites that are listed in these letters you get no information. And then there's also a phone number in the letter that he had sent me—or a copy of his letter—I tried and I left well four or five (I have it written down at work) messages and nobody ever called me back. And when I called the number at the top, nobody knew what I was talking about – customer service—basically nobody knew what I was talking about—they couldn't—so they said, "you're gonna to have to call the letter [number] at the bottom"—I knew they'd been getting phone calls about it because otherwise they wouldn't have known the number at the bottom of the letter to call—that's probably what they were told to say.

**Dennis Moore:** They got a copy of my letter faxed to them.

**Diane Austin:** So, they said to call and I did and I left messages and you never even received a call back either did you? And that's what I asked Dave.

**Dennis Moore:** No. When I talked to the surveyors, they said "let me get you called" and nobody returned—

**Diane Austin:** Do you want extras of these?

**Dennis Moore:** What we're going to do is we're going to make copies and make sure those involved gets a copy.

**Diane Austin:** So Dave was supposed to—I was gonna call him tomorrow—he was going to swing by but I won't be there until I don't know what time.

**Dennis Moore:** I'll call him in the morning.

**Diane Austin:** Well, just go ahead and take these extras 'cause Tom made them.

**Dennis Moore:** I appreciate this.

**Diane Austin:** I'm sorry when it comes these things our hands are tied—there's nothing we can do. It's just like when you said you weren't going to let them on your property—then after I read the letter I thought "oh, it's eminent domain, I don't think he's got a choice in this."

**Dennis Moore:** The surveyors, believe it or not, ask if you want them to call the Sheriff's office and have him send his deputy out and escort them. But I was getting more information out of them because the gal that was with them, her grandfather used to announce the races at Northfield [says name] and I used to work at Northfield so I know him and that's how we started talking.

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**Diane Austin:** And they're usually very helpful if they know.

**Thomas Repcik:** We used to have the say-so over the location of the wells and tanks, in relationship to homes, cell towers and a number of things that all the townships had—

**Diane Austin:** And we could require them to stay a certain distance.

**Thomas Repcik:** Because of the public utilities, they took that all away from the township authority. You know, the bigger you get up there in government, the more confused it is and nobody knows what they're doing—you can just see that by watching TV or reading the paper. Is that it then sir?

**Dennis Moore:** I appreciate your help and the information.

**Diane Austin:** If there's something else that comes in, we can get you a copy of it—I still have your letter on my desk with your fax number—we can send it to you. You're getting just what we have.

**Dennis Moore:** I'll call Bill Simon and get him in the loop.

**Diane Austin:** He'll enjoy this.

RESOLUTION 2012-106: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2012 Regular Meeting as presented; this was seconded by Diane Austin.

Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- --eNews Now from OPERS note the changes
- --Letter from Akron Air Quality
- --Letter from Department of Commerce: Liquor Permit Renewal Objections
- --Portage County Regional Planning Commission Technical Hours Available
- --Nopec Annual Report
- --GrassRootsClippings via email/copy

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business to discuss at this time.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

-- Three EMS Closures - nonresidents

RESOLUTION 2012-107: A motion was made by Thomas Repcik to <u>send the three EMS closures</u> <u>presented, to collection</u>; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

--Portage county Township Association Dinner on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Trustees agreed that the menu will be: roast beef, chicken cordon bleu, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, butter, tossed salad, cake, coffee, sweet tea and water –from Siciliano's.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

# Tami Scott - Zoning Inspector, Zoning Secretary, Administrative Secretary & Parade

- -- There were 20 phone calls made/received.
- -- There was 2 permit issued.
- -- The Zoning Commission will meet on Thursday, August 2 at 7:00 p.m.
- --The BZA will meet on Monday, August 13 to hear the variance filed by Pettigrew Feed & Hardware.

## Chris Diehl - Roads, Buildings, Cemetery and Park

--He's been mowing roadsides and at the cemetery and patching some roads.

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#### **Tim Paulus - Fire Department Report**

Purchases

--The joint subscription to Iamresponding will expire in September. Chief Garvin has asked if the Township would like to continue that service –he would like to go for five years. Tim does not recommend that long of a commitment. He recommends that the Township agree to a one-year subscription at a cost of \$400. With today's technology, something newer and better may become available.

Grants

-- He will be applying for the SAFER grant for approximately \$540,000. This would increase staffing to three persons, 24/7 using part-time persons for two years.

Medical Control

- --He and Lieutenant Stewart had a very good meeting with Akron City Hospital on July 19<sup>th</sup>. He recommends that the Township move it's Medical Control from Robinson Memorial to Akron City Hospital effective September 1, 2012. Some of the major reasons include:
  - The Edinburg Fire Department would remain under SUMMA protocol with only a couple of minor changes.
  - Akron City will allow the EFD to become a State Certified CE training site. (Robinson would not allow this.)
  - Akron City appears to be very interested in providing training to help EFD become better at what it
    does.
  - The Medical Control doctors appear to be very progressive and aggressive in pre-hospital patient care.

EFD will not be changing drug boxes. They will have a drug box and any hospital that they transport to in the Akron Regional Hospital Association do a one-for-one exchange.

Transporting will continue to be the patient's choice. In an emergency, they will transport to the most appropriate hospital.

Training would be through Akron City Hospital and be under their doctor.

RESOLUTION 2012-108: A motion was made by Thomas Repcik to accept the recommendation of Chief Paulus to make a formal request to Summa Health System/Akron City Hospital to become the Medical Control for Edinburg Township Fire Department effective September 1, 2012; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

Tim talked to Ms. Bernie Martin (Director of the Emergency Department at RMH) and wanted to make the Trustees aware of some expiration date issues with the pediatric boxes that RMH provides:

- There are things still in the box that had expired ten years ago.
- There are things that do not have expiration dates because they were manufactured before expiration dates were required by the Federal Government—these are 16+ years old.

He also discussed other issues with Ms. Martin and she is taking actions to get this corrected.

The box the EFD currently has still has expired items but He is working on remedying it. They have a box and Gary stocked it today with supplies on hand so they are ready to go September 1<sup>st</sup>. Akron City does provide these boxes.

Cell Phones

He tried to switch the cell phones to Sprint today and there was a billing password issue with AT&T. He called them and he answered all of the security questions but they would not give him the password over the phone. AT&T has reset the password and he should receive it in the mail in three to five days and will switch over to Sprint then. Sprint will credit the Township appropriately even though it wasn't their fault. Hydrant

For safety reasons, he will fill in some ruts in the ground around the dry hydrant on Bingham with dirt or gravel.

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Judy Repcik - Fiscal Officer Report She presented:Cash Summary Year to Date	
TRUSTEE REPORTS	
<b>Diane Austin</b> She had nothing further to report at this time	s.
Sandra Templeton She had nothing further to report at this time	
<b>Thomas Repcik</b> He would like to have the Townhall floor str	ripped and buffed.
	made by Diane Austin to <u>approve the payment of the bills;</u> this call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes; Sandra
	made by Thomas Repcik that the meeting be adjourned at stin. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; Thomas Repcik, yes;
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Sandra Templeton, Vice Chair	Judy Repcik, Fiscal Officer