

EDINBURG TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

Edinburg Townhall

July 10, 2014

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; Sandra Templeton, present; John Hayes, present; Judy Repcik, present; Chris Diehl, present; Tim Paulus, present; Julie Bearss, present.

RESOLUTION 2014-117: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to approve the Agenda as presented; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2014-118: A motion was made by John Hayes to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM PERSON(S) IN ATTENDANCE:

Thomas Repcik, Employee/Resident Gary Stewart, Employee/Resident
David Starcher, Farmer/Resident Mike Pittinger, Employee

David Starcher asked if the Township has an ordinance that requires residents to mow down weeds [on their own property] before they go to seed. Diane told him to see the Zoning Inspector to receive that information. Julie said twice a season is all that is legally mandated. He will talk to Julie about it later.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received and presented:

--Letter from Ryan Shackelford, Director, Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

RESOLUTION 2014-119: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to appoint Mike Pittinger as the representative to the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, abstain; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

OLD BUSINESS

--July 10, 2014 Recycling Meeting

Thomas said the meeting was a review of what they've been talking about for about six or seven months. They will not make mandatory curbside recycling. They recapped the recycling program: the Township was supposed to have 75% to support it but only ended up with 66%. They are discussing outside contractors coming around to pick it up. He did not get a definite answer on the price increase for the current recycling boxes. Diane gave information to Judy about the Ohio EPA Recycling and Litter Prevention Grants available. This would pay for a part time or full time recycling employee who would coordinate efforts to encourage more residents to recycle.

NEW BUSINESS

--2015 Budget

RESOLUTION 2014-120: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to adopt the 2015 budget as presented; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Julie Bearss - Zoning Inspector

--She made/received 38 phone calls.

--No permits were issued.

--The Zoning Commission meeting that was set for July 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. did not have a quorum in attendance. She will reschedule it as soon as possible.

Tim Paulus - Fire Department Report

Alarms

--There were 23 EMS, 1 fire, 0 service and 1 false alarm.

--There was 1 M/A given, 0 received and 1 concurrent EMS alarm.

Alarm numbers are still up. They are currently at the numbers for August 29, 2013.

Staffing

--He made a recommendation to promote Mike Pittinger to the rank of Lieutenant in charge of **maintenance and recruitment.**

RESOLUTION 2014-121: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to promote Mike Pittinger to the rank of Lieutenant at the same rate of pay; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, abstain; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

--He made a recommendation to promote Gary Stewart to the rank of Captain to remain at the Lieutenant rate of pay.

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RESOLUTION 2014-122: A motion was made by Diane Austin to promote Gary Stewart to rank of Captain at the Lieutenant rate of pay; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

--Due to financial restraints, weekend staffing may need to stop before the end of the year. He and Diane have been looking at all of the options. Diane asked him to share what they've been discussing. **He recommends that \$2,200 be transferred from 2194-320-422-318 Training Services and \$1,600 from 2194-320-422-319 Other Professional Services into the fuel fund to cover the shortage there. This should not affect other operations.**

--He also asked for a payroll deduction of \$40 per payroll from his paycheck to go toward fuel for the Chief's car. Judy will check into the correct way to accomplish this.

RESOLUTION 2014-123: A motion was made by Diane Austin to approve the payroll deduction of \$40 per pay period from Tim Paulus' paycheck for fuel, at his request; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

--The Fire Department budget was discussed. Tim stated that the matching funds for grants that the Fire Department receives are currently coming out of Fire Department funds. He asked if this was always the case in the past and should this really be part of the Fire Department's budget? It was recommended that it be decided on a case by case basis. Tom said that it could be allowed out of the Capital Equipment line item. Diane will check into this. She will also continue to consider stopping weekend staffing - possibly in August. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Chris Diehl - Roads, Buildings, Cemetery and Park

--He attended the meeting in Columbus to discuss his retirement. He has decided that his final day would be September 30, 2014, instead of December 1, 2014. He will have to be away from the Township at least two months before he can consider returning to work if needed.

--He informed the Trustees that the culvert on Porter Road should be replaced because the bottom is rusting. The pipe would cost around \$4,000 and a load of larger slag would be around \$200. With the asphalt, the total cost would be about \$5,000 total. Judy will look at the funding for this.

--The beavers have not been back. There have been no further issues with the water so far—everything is flowing but the creek needs to be cleaned out. He will ask Dennis if he'd be willing to clean it out then he'll ask the property owner for permission.

--The road at the Highlands has been broken up in three places as a result of the vehicles used to install the lights. He will contact Ohio Edison to cover the cost to repair the road.

Judy Repcik - Fiscal Officer Report

She presented the following:

--Year-to-Date Cash Summary

--June Financial Report

--Departmental Expenditures Reports

--She is gathering insurance quotes and said if anyone has names of other agents from which to receive quotes, please give them to her.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

John Hayes

He had nothing further to report at this time.

Sandra Templeton

--Some residents have called and left messages concerning Republic Trash not picking up all of the trash on Stroup Road and the animals are getting into it. She called Republic and they were aware of the problems but they thought they had been corrected. She called the residents back and told them Republic's response and to keep an eye out for further problems. If so, they are to call Sandra and she will call Republic again.

--She received an anonymous voicemail message that a group holding a recent ball tournament at the Park was charging for parking. Judy said groups have collected donations in the past but it's never been mandatory. If this is happening, it is not allowed and the tournament people will have to be informed of this.

--She requested an executive session to discuss employee matters.

Diane Austin

She had nothing further to report at this time.

RESOLUTION 2014-124: A motion was made by John Hayes to approve the payment of the bills; this was seconded by Diane Austin. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

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RESOLUTION 2014-125: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to enter into an executive session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss employee matters; Mike Pittinger was also invited; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2014-126: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to come out of executive session at 8:20 p.m.; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2014-127: A motion was made by Sandra Templeton to hire Mike Pittinger as the full time Road Supervisor effective August 5, 2014 at rate of \$19.95 per hour; this was seconded by John Hayes. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, abstain; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2014-128: A motion was made by Diane Austin to accept the verbal notice of retirement from Ron Fumich from the position of Fire Lieutenant effective Memorial Day, May 26, 2014; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

RESOLUTION 2014-129: A motion was made by Diane Austin that the meeting be adjourned at 8:22 p.m.; this was seconded by Sandra Templeton. Roll call shows: Diane Austin, yes; John Hayes, yes; Sandra Templeton, yes.

Diane Hargett Austin, Chairperson

John Hayes, Trustee

Sandra Templeton, Trustee

Judy Repcik, Fiscal Officer