

Edinburg Township Trustees Meeting

Town Hall

July 10th

2025

CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY: Diehl 7:36 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Chris Diehl: Chair, present, Vice chair: Tim Pfile present Trustee Jeffrey Bixler: present, Bill McCluskey, Fiscal officer, present, Jesse Baughman, fire chief, absent. Rhonda Lippy, zoning, present. Emily Dumas zoning, present.

Guests : none

I. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR 7/10/25

Moved By: Pfile Second: Diehl

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

II. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

A. FOR 6/26/2025 trustee meeting

Moved By: Pfile Second: Diehl

Mr. Pfile: yes Mr. Diehl: yes Mr. Bixler: abstain

B. FOR 6/26/2025 budget meeting

Moved By: Pfile Second: Diehl

Mr. Pfile: yes Mr. Diehl: yes Mr. Bixler: Abstain

III. Correspondence: Tim mentioned letter regarding work at sr 14, and alliance road, asking for comment/attendance, Chris said he may go. On 14th of July, Some discussion about the intersection.

Jeffrey mentioned email about plat maps to Rhonda, Appears a marketing ploy, However, asked about how updated our maps are in the office, Rhonda did not feel it would be needed,

IV. Old BUSINESS. Tim said he talked to Kevin about chip and seal parking lot at town hall and the cemetery, Bill asked if it was not done last year, Tim said only part of it, Asked about using cemetery bequest funds, for cemetery repair, Bill said he can give trustees a number soon,

V. Trustee Report: Jeffrey said he has one more meeting with Paris township about the fire district, out side of monthly community meeting at town hall. Bill asked if Jeff reviewed minutes so he can sign them.

VI. Department Reports.

A. Roads: We started putting asphalt down on Giddings. We have been mowing. We went out and mowed the intersection back on Giddings and Alliance roads. We had water leaking in the administration office. We have it fixed.

Park: park has been mowed. We put the last 4 benches in on field 4.

Cemetery: We have been mowing. We fixed a few graves. The foundations are poured.

Bill asked about the leak in the admin building as Beckwith had been called initially to repair, But was leaking worse. Bill asked if trustees still want to approve payment, since they did not fix it. But since Beckwith was not called back to fix, rather road department fixed, trustees said to pay it. \$155.

B. Fire Report

Total Fire Dept. runs for the month of June 2025 = 52

Total Fire Dept. runs for the month of June 2024 = 60

Fire= 5 Structure = 2 Vehicle = 2 Brush/Open Burns=1

Fire Alarms = 1

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EMS= 35 (+) Transports= 16 (-) Transports= 19
MVC= 7 (+) Transports= 3 (-) Transports= 4 Other = 4
Mutual Aid Given = 19 Mutual Aid Received = 7
Total Number of Runs to date as of June 30, 2025 = 246
Total Number of Runs to date as of June 30, 2024 = 249

Joint fire training takes place with Charlestown, Paris and Palmyra. 1518 will be going out the week of the 14 th for pump testing and annual service along with replacing the cylinder for driver side dump shoot. I will be out of town from 07/12/25-07/19/25. Capt. Grudowsky will be in charge of the department.

Jeffrey brought up bill regarding bill from Country side. Bill said money is appropriated for repair and maintenance, however, the trustees will still need to approve, especially, if it needs to be reviewed, not regular maintenance.

Jeffrey made motion to pay countryside, seconded by Tim.

Bill reviewed that a PO is approved for Countryside, however, Trustees must approve certain amounts, can't just spend because it is on po, what is the repair for. They are responsible to review.

C. Zoning: Rhonda mentioned there was supposed to be a hearing, Monday for Keener property, however, no one at township was notified, Bill said in past, letter came to township from court, but there was none. It is postponed a month. Asked for pictures from township. She may stop to ask if she can take pictures,

Approved variance a Kritch (sp) property, reviewed payments with Bill. Wrote permit for pole barn, new construction on porter and Carlisle way. Chris asked about Boat property, Rhonda said no responses, Schill as well.

VII. Fiscal Officer:

1. Reports shared, Financials reports, invoices, payments, warrants, ACH eft payments.
2. Action needed for 2.1 mil Fire levy resolution.

MOTION

Chris read **resolution 2025-017** to put renewal levy on the ballot in November, \$42. For each \$100,000.00 valuation, 5 years starting collection in 2026, total \$129,941.00 per year.

Tim made motion, seconded by Chris, Jeffrey said he wanted to consider as a replacement, Bill said there would not be enough time, as we would have to go back and start over, We would not have public notice time to meet deadline for November election, HB on replacement levy discussed.

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

3. Spectrum has completed install of wifi and internet, Next will be phone systems. Discussed Spectrum would not plug the “switch” so one phone line is not part of connection. Bill said today they came, for Road and Admin, however, they did not come at times they had scheduled, Also said they would not do the road, as he did not have the work order, after much back and for, work finally completed. Bill said our present switches are old and the speed is not up to standard, Bill ordered one for road and Admin building.
4. Bill shared new envelopes for receipts from road, townhall, or zoning, for better office control,
5. Bill said payroll will be a day late, as he did not receive payroll on time and could not

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come in extra, this time.

6. Bill shared OTARMA letter needing to assign township representatives Jeffrey and Tim Assigned, Chris made motion for Jeffrey to be Primary and Tim alternate,

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Jeffrey discussed Mitchell payment after he reviewed increased costs with Jesse, Bill said it was not just the base, other line items are higher than bid and quote is still within a month, Travel not included, Bill said they are nickel and diming us after approval.

Jeffrey made motion to pay Mitchell Bill, seconded by Tim.

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

Emily asked trustees for information regarding Jesse adding a time clock system at fire department. She is concerned how it might affect our payroll processing, Jeffrey said it should only report the hours, he will review with Jesse.

Jeffrey asked generally, how much would it cost the township to take out a 6 million dollar loan for fire department for building and Vehicles for 30 year period. Bill said you can find loan calculators on the internet, however, he would look at if the township could even afford the interest payment if not interest free loan. Would depend on the lender, or perhaps doing a bond, You can take a longer period sometimes. Bill said he would try to look at some numbers for next meeting. Emily said she could work it out, Tim said Without interest it is \$200,000 a year, Bill said we could not support that payment now, Auditor discussed that he had talked with her (Bethany), Jeffrey will follow up again. Need to identify time frames as well.

VIII. Tim made a motion to pay the bills, eft and warrants shared; 43933-43951 motion seconded Jeffrey,

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

IX. Mr. Pfile made a **motion** to Adjourn the meeting 8:22 pm seconded by Jeffrey.
Mr. Pfile: yes Mr. Diehl: yes Mr. Bixler: yes

Chris Diehl, Chairman

Tim Pfile, Vice Chairman

Jeffrey Bixler, Trustee

William McCluskey, Fiscal Officer