

Eden Township

Licking County, Ohio
10431 Purity Road St. Louisville, Ohio 43071

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chuck Dunlap, Chairman

Dave Baker

Leonard Laughman

FISCAL OFFICER

Robin McKee

July 31st , 2023

This meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm, by Chairman Chuck Dunlap, with all present standing to recite the pledge of allegiance. In addition to Mr. Baker the following Eden Township personnel were present; Trustee Chuck Dunlap, Trustee Leonard Laughman, Fiscal Officer Robin McKee, Citizens Jackie Laughman, Larry & Erin Finkes David McKee, Harry Farley, Jim Melick, Joe Shannon, Darren Weiner, Saul Mason and Licking County Prosecutors Jenny Wells and Amy Gill.

Trustee Dunlap moved to waive the reading and approved the minutes from the May 29th, 2023 meeting Trustee laughman seconded the motion.

VOTE: Trustee Baker -yes; Trustee Dunlap -yes; Trustee Laughman -yes

Motion carried

Public Participation:

Prosecutor Jenny Wells introduced herself and Amy Gill. Jenny was appointed October of 2022 and is trying to get to each township in the County to introduce herself and explain the plans she has for the office. Amy explained she is available for anything the township might need legal advice on. She has been very helpful so far with Eden Twp.-per the trustees and fiscal officer.

Saul Mason from Baker Road explained that he is hoping his end of Baker Road is last on the list of paving. Sal was under the impression that the township had been awarded \$1,000,000.00 for roads and asked if that were true.

The trustees explained that information was false and the township has not gotten any money for road work other than the normal tax dollars.

He also asked if Baker Road South to Rain Rock Road was going to be maintained properly and were we planning to keep up with maintenance of the road to cut out washboard areas and large potholes.

Trustee Dunlap said there is no plan to do that end of Baker Road and that Trustee Baker has graded that area twice so far this year. Trustee Baker explained that there are some very large boulders in that section of the road and they are not sure the best plan or if it is even possible to remove them.

Saul asked could we please try to grade more often.

David McKee asked why the township doesn't let a qualified person run the grader on the roads. Ron Hays had offered to grade Tarlton Road prior to chip and seal and Jeff Bremer and Terry Banks had said they had offered to run the grader at different times. Trustee Baker said he was unaware of these offers, but we had already checked about volunteers running equipment for the township and it was not allowed per the insurance company.

Jim Melick asked if Mike had started mowing yet this year. Trustee Dunlap said the AC had quit in the tractor and it was going in for service and Mike would get back to mowing as soon as the machine was returned.

Darren Weiner expressed if help is needed on Baker Road he would be more than happy to lend a hand.

Old Business:

Trustee Baker received the quote for the replacement of the flooring in the tiled area of the basement and the carpet in the upstairs.

Nice Carpets is donating the carpet for the upstairs area and the township will only pay for the installation of the carpet. The downstairs area will be laminate waterproof flooring, they will fix all loose tiles and level any areas needed prior to placing flooring.

Trustee Baker moved to accept the quote not to exceed \$9,320.97 that will come from the American Rescue Plan fund. Trustee Dunlap seconded the motion.

VOTE: Trustee Baker -yes; Trustee Dunlap -yes; Trustee Laughman -yes

Motion carried

Baker Road North- Trustee Baker reported that no further paving had been done yet, but MC30 had been put on the road per Mid-Ohio specs. The paving should be completed by Friday. Trustee Baker has received a phone call from Mr. Ricketts on Camp Ohio Road about tar on his truck from the MC30 applied to Baker Road, several people had also posted on the Citizens Twp. page of Facebook. Signs were put up by Mid-Ohio making drivers aware that there was fresh tar placed on the road.

New Business:

Fiscal Officer McKee was contacted by Park National Bank that the Non-expendable CD is up for renewal. The current interest rate was .039922%. Park National was offering an interest rate of 3.00% for 6 months. Since this was the highest interest rate offered, Fiscal Officer McKee renewed for 6 months at 3.00% interest.

Shilling Propane contract is to expire soon and they would like to renew. Trustee Baker will call to renew.

David McKee asked why we were not checking with other companies to see if they are offering a better deal. He reminded the trustees that another company was there last year and did not want to discuss pricing in front of other customers that were at the meeting. Alan Doup with Co-Alliance was there and did not offer a better price in 2022. Trustee Baker said he would give him

a call to get current pricing but all information is public so Mr. Doup could have given that out before if he was interested in working with the township.

Bane Welker said the tractor is in need of a compressor and switch to fix the AC in the tractor, they will have to order the parts if we would like to move forward with fixing it. Labor would be approximately 6-7 hours plus the cost of the parts, they should arrive Friday or Monday with standard shipping.

Trustee Dunlap moved to accept the quote not to exceed \$2,000.00 for the repair. Trustee Laughman seconded the motion.

VOTE: Trustee Baker -yes; Trustee Dunlap -yes; Trustee Laughman -yes

Motion carried

The 550 check engine light came on, Trustee Baker discovered it was the O2 sensor. He got the part and fixed it.

Road Report:

Mike was not present to give the road report.

Fiscal Officer McKee asked why Mike had not been at this meeting or the last two, no answer was given. Trustee Dunlap asked if it was mandatory for him to be present at the meetings.

Trustee Dunlap moved a motion to pay bills. Trustee Laughman seconded the motion.

VOTE: Trustee Laughman –yes; Trustee Baker –yes; Trustee Dunlap –yes

Motion carried. The following bills were examined, approved and signed by the Board.

69-2023	Energy Co-op	151.59
70-2023	Energy Co-op	129.40
71-2023	BWC	134.94
72-2023	Windstream	159.10
74-2023	OPERS	2182.46
75-2023	EFTPS	1100.53
76-2023	Deferred Comp	100.00
77-2023	School Tax	45.31
78-2023	Ohio-tax	170.37
12045-VOID	Licking County Engineer	312.00
12071	Licking County Engineer	312.00
12072	Affordable Portable	100.00
12073	Media Network	42.80
12074	City of Newark	245.00
12075	Leader Machinery	119.28
12076	Glenn's Market	190.52
12077	Co-Alliance	433.99
12078	Park National Bank	179.00
12079	Mow-Tivated Mowers	2125.00
12080	Dave Baker	726.91
12081	Mike Baker	3240.00
12082	Chuck Dunlap	707.50
12083	Leonard Laughman	895.54
12084	Robin McKee	<u>1329.93</u>
		\$14,509.17

I certify there are sufficient funds on deposit for the payments of foregoing bills when obligated and funds are now on deposit to pay the above expenditures

Robin McKee, Fiscal Officer.

Trustee Dunlap moved a motion to adjourn. Trustee Baker seconded the motion.

VOTE: Trustee Baker –yes; Trustee Laughman –yes; Trustee Dunlap –yes

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned 7:35 pm

Chuck Dunlap, Chairman

Dave Baker, Trustee

Leonard Laughman, Trustee

Robin McKee, Fiscal Officer