

Eden Township

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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Dave Baker, Chairman
Chuck Dunlap
Leonard Laughman

FISCAL OFFICER

Robin McKee

May 20th, 2024

This meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm, by Chairman Dave Baker, with all present standing to recite the pledge of allegiance. In addition to Mr. Baker the following Eden Township personnel were present; Trustee Leonard Laughman, Fiscal Officer Robin McKee, Citizens Jackie Laughman, Bill Felumlee, Diana Hall, Bart Wilson, Gene Maharg, MaryAnn Twp Fire Department, Nathan Bryan with the 911 call center and non-resident Winn Stelzer

Trustee Dunlap moved to waive the reading and approved the minutes from the April 27th, 2024 meeting. Trustee Laughman seconded the motion.

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

Public Participation:

Diana Hall explained that Bart Mart is for sale and she has a potential buyer, this buyer is interested in purchasing the .04 acre and the block building that the township owns that borders the property of Bart Mart.

Trustee Dunlap said he would not be interested in selling that build, Trustees Baker and Laughman agreed.

Diana asked what the township uses the building for.

Trustee Baker explained there are several pieces of equipment that are stored in the building and reiterated that they would not be interested in selling the property.

Trustee Baker asked what the buyer would want the building for, if they are thinking of putting in a drive thru there would not be room in that small area.

Diana asked if the township would entertain the idea of renting/leasing the store access to put in a drive across township property for customers to use the drive thru.

The trustees agreed that the township would not rent/lease access to install a driveway across township property.

Diana had thought that the store had a one time owned part of the property in question, Trustee Baker explained that years ago when it was also a gas station that the underground tank and the fuel was on township property but the store never owned any portion of it.

Trustee Baker asked about a trash dumpster, when Bart had purchased the property they had talked about a dumpster but there was never one delivered, where would the new owner be putting a dumpster.

Diana said if they could purchase the township property that would give them access to the back of the property.

Winn Stelzer asked if the township would consider selling if the new owner agreed to build the township a new building for the equipment that is stored in the current building.

The trustees agreed that the building and property have been a part of the townships properties for many years and they were not sure about selling it.

Winn explained that it could be beneficial for the township in regards to tax revenue, Fiscal Officer McKee explained they do not generate enough tax revenue from the store to consider selling property.

Winn explained that the buyer has been very successful with turning businesses around and creating profitable companies, citizens Jackie Laughman asked if the buyer also has other stores such as this one. Winn said he did not.

Trustee Dunlap said that they are pushing really hard for the township to sell the property so he is questionable about what the real reason behind it is.

Winn and Diana reassured them that it was solely to add a drive thru.

Bill Felumlee asked the trustees why they would not entertain selling the property of the new owner is offering to build the township a new building. They should at least look at a rendering of what they are offering. Fiscal Officer McKee asked if it was Bills property would he entertain the idea of selling it, no answer was given.

Winn said the township should embrace change and give it thought before refusing the sell.

Trustee Baker said they would think about it but was not sure of the steps to be able to sell the property.

Winn said they would do a complete title search and see if they could find any reason as to why the township would not be able to sell the property, at no cost to the township.

Keisha with MaryAnn Twp presented the trustees with the new schedule and the runs for April. Keisha had also invited Nathan Bryan with the 911 call center to explain the process of mutual aid.

Nathan Bryan

- Every address in the County has a predetermined response for every incident type
- The predetermined response is dictated by the Fire Chief or his/her designee
- The response is made up of a certain amount of each apparatus type to best remedy the incident type
 - EXAMPLE:
 - A "Sick Person" may only be 1 medic
 - A "House Fire" may be 3 Engines, 2 Rescues, 2 Tankers, 1 Medic
- Our system automatically replaces units that are not available to respond
- Where the unit comes from can be based on a static order of units provided to us or can be done utilizing Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) which will determine units based on the physical location of the vehicle

Gene presented the township with information on dry hydrants and said he buys his supplies through Kocheck.

The trustees believe that the pond at John Hughes on Tarlton Rd is too messed up to try and fix. Trustee Baker said he had talked to Danny Baker about the dry hydrant on Martinsburg Road at Tarberts, Danny informed him that the pipe was installed too far out in the pond and only worked for a short time.

After looking at the information the trustees thought the bridge application would be best for the area.

Trustee Baker asked if the bridge application is lockable so they could not be tampered with. Gene replied that they are.

Bill Felumlee asked what about freezing in the winter months, Keisha replied with the water flowing they should be fine.

Fiscal Officer McKee asked Gene if he knew the cost of the bridge application, he replied he thought they were around \$2000.00 each.

Gene said he would help install if the township decided to move forward.

Bart Wilson asked if the township was going to be out to do something with Camp Ohio Road soon. It is very bad and the hill is horrible. Trustee Baker said the hill is horrible because people use it in the winter months when the road is closed.

We can check on permanently closing the hill as we do not have the equipment to take care of it. It is too steep to run the grader on it, they will get Mike over to run the drag and see if that helps for now.

Old Business:

Fiscal Officer McKee gave the count for the citizen opinions in the regards to the Fire & EMS Services as follows

86 opinions for 1 Fire & EMS Service

39 opinions for 2 Fire & EMS services

1 opinion for the Trustees should decide

After final count was given, Trustee Chuck Dunlap moved for the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION 2024-2

As of June 30th, 2024 Eden Township will renew the contract with MaryAnn Township Fire & EMS Service alone, to cover all of Eden Township, at a rate of \$50,000.00 per year paid in two payments of \$25,000.00 the first being at the January meetings and the second at the June meetings.

Trustee Leonard Laughman seconded the motion. Trustee Dave Baker-exempted from vote, and the roll being called upon this adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

YES-Chuck Dunlap

YES-Leonard Laughman

EXEMPT-Dave Baker

New Business:

Quote received for Mike on all filters cost.

Information was received from Bryce on exact wording of the 3.5mil fire levy.

Road Report:

Truck is in to get tailgate fixed for the shoot.
Trash was left on the side of Purity Rd from the crash over the weekend

Trustee Dunlap moved a motion to pay bills. Trustee Baker 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.

55-2024	Energy Co-op	47.02
56-2024	Energy Co-op	105.67
57-2024	Energy Co-op	120.42
58-2024	Park National Bank	810.65
60-2024	OPERS	1803.92
61-2024	EFTPS	824.15
62-2024	Ohio Deferred Comp	100.00
63-2024	Ohio School	46.14
64-2024	State of Ohio	117.58
65-2024	Park National Bank	50.00
12212	Keystone Co-op	554.85
12213	Glenns Market	225.00
12214	Gannett Local	49.68
12215	Licking Co Engineer	360.00
12216	Southeastern equip	236.30
12217	Dexter Co	243.90
12218	Mow-tivated Mowers	1215.00
12219	Dave Baker	741.45
12220	Michael Baker	2046.10
12221	Charles Dunlap	727.34
12222	Leonard Laughman	910.93
12223	Robin McKee	<u>1360.00</u>
		\$12,696.10

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 –yes; Trustee Dunlap –X

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned 8:13 pm

Dave Baker, Chairman

Chuck Dunlap, Trustee

Leonard Laughman, Trustee

Robin McKee, Fiscal Officer