

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Etna Township Trustees Regular Meeting

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held May 21, 20 2024

The Etna Township Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, in the Etna Township Hall, 81 Liberty Street, Etna, Ohio 43018 for the purpose of conducting a regular meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Gary Burkholder.

Trustees Present

Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Trustees Absent**Others in Attendance**

Holly Palumbo, Freddie Latella, and Don Copley

1. Opening

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call
Jackie Cotugno was excused.
- c. Invocation
- d. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented

Moved by: Mark Evans*Seconded by:* Rozland McKee-Flax**Yes** Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax**Carried 3-0**

Motion to amend agenda as presented

Moved by: Mark Evans*Seconded by:* Rozland McKee-Flax**Yes** Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax**Carried 3-0**

Trustee Evans would like to add an item under Old Business B. Aetna Health Care Plan Rates. There has been a slight rate change he would like to discuss.

3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes

- a. Minutes - May 7, 2024

[Board of Trustees - at 6:00 PM \(10\).pdf](#) 

Motion to adopt the Minutes as presented

Moved by: Mark Evans*Seconded by:* Rozland McKee-Flax**Yes** Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax**Carried 3-0****4. Public Comments**

Jon Hanson of 51 Ridgewood Drive Would like to talk about the High Cost of Toxic Leadership and Taxpayer Funded Bullying in Etna Township. Mr. Hanson passed out an article for Ten Traits of Toxic Leaders. We cannot talk ourselves out of a position

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we have behaved ourselves into. You can visit Citizens of Etna to see a full recording without interruptions. Etna Township has bigger problems than just Trustee Evans. One problem is toxic leadership enabled by Trustee Burkholder. We get the culture we practice, permit and promote. Mr. Hanson was warned that he had one minute by Trustee Burkholder. Mr. Hanson spoke of the TPA, this is the third time Mr. Evans has tried to push this item through. There are three legal opinions out there, it is part of ODOT and not part of the 629 monies. If it is Ohio grant money possibly should be returned to the state of Ohio. In August of 2023 Trustee Evans said the developer is only expecting \$50,000 or the \$100,000 so now why suddenly is the push to get \$95,000 or the \$100,000, it just seems suspicious. Go to CitizensofEtna.com.

Trustee Evans questioned if attorney client privilege had been shared with Mr. Hanson regarding the three legal opinions. Trustee Burkholder said he was not sure. Trustee Burkholder advised Mr. Hanson to adhere to the rules for decorum.

Jon Kennard of 10785 Palmer Road is concerned about the condition of the township. As of the first of the year we do not have a secretary, zoning inspector, or township administrator. We have hired all these jobs to outside sources. We have spent over \$18,000 to get a colored brochure to hire for an administrator. You would think it would have a list of candidates as well. They are paying for records to be digitized. Six months ago, the township had a fulltime administrator, secretary, and zoning inspector. Could have bought a scanner and software to do this in house. Mr. Kennard is concerned about the spending. He feels the board considers it an open checkbook and Mr. Evans knows how to use it. The board wants to spend over \$500,000 on the park out front that 98% of the residents don't use because it is too close to the highway. They'll need to spend close to \$400,000 for a driveway to get to the new park. Mr. Kennard heard at one point it would cost \$600,000 to get water and sewer to the new park. Is it a value to the township? Mr. Kennard does not think so. A message for the zoning inspector, there is a lot on 310 that is zoned as a car lot but being used as a salvage yard. Mr. Kennard feels it is an eye sore. Mr. Kennard would like to know why the residents can't sit down with trustees and have an open forum for communication.

Judy Cafmeyer of 29 Roma Court referred to Mr. Kennards comment of previous employees being fired, she said they resigned and were not fired and that is their right to work or not work. Mrs. Cafmeyer said to put it on anyone else is pretty petty. Mr. Kennard did interrupt; Trustee Burkholder said he was out of order.

5. Reports

a. Road Department

Trustee Evans feels the employee handbook and union contract is still a concern. The board appointed Trustee Evans to contact Ben Albrecht, who has not got back with Trustee Evans. There are discrepancies within the handbook and a lot of the road crew are coming up on their one-year evaluation. Trustee Evans will meet with Dominic from Strawser regarding road maintenance to extend the life of the roads. The road crew needs equipment replaced and Trustee Evans has been talking about that. Trustee Evans feels the board needs to focus on that since the lead time could be a year or longer.

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Trustee Burkholder did meet with Mr. Albrecht, but it was just to start the process. Mr. Albrecht was going to look over the handbook and some of the deficiencies. The last email Trustee Burkholder received from Mr. Albrecht was that he would have a draft either this week or possibly next week. Trustee Burkholder did advise Mr. Albrecht to forward it to Trustee Evans as well. All three trustees along with the fiscal officer will be able to look at the draft.

Trustee Evans asked if Mr. Albrecht originally created the handbook, what changes would be made if the board is not directing him. He feels the board needs to figure out what the deficiencies are and then Mr. Albrecht can create the work.

Trustee Burkholder asked Trustee Evans do you have a list of the deficiencies you would like Mr. Albrecht to take a look at. Trustee Burkholder would like to have the vacation accrual looked at. Will the UAN accommodate the change. Trustee Burkholder feels it is not fair to hire an employee and tell them they cannot take vacation time for an entire year. Trustee Burkholder asked the board to write down a list of the deficiencies and bring them back to the board after the draft has been released. This will tie into union negotiations. Trustee Evans feels it needs to be addressed because it was passed in violation of the open meetings act. Trustee Evans nor the former fiscal officer have input. Issues came up during some disciplinary things. One of the main things is vacation. Some employees that are due for vacation now can't take it until January 1st of 2025.

Trustee Burkholder suggested a work session with Mr. Albrecht, but Trustee Evans said only if the attorney is receptive to the idea.

Trustee Burkholder had a meeting about the improvements for Pike Street, which include streetlights and planting trees. Recommendations will be brought to the board. Improvements to Pike Street will affect High Point Park. Phase 2 of improving Pike Street was going west to US 40. Money was spent on the design and proposal to be submitted to the State Capital Budget to request grant money. If awarded the grant, the township will come up with the rest of the money.

Trustee Evans would like to make a correction from earlier on the public comment regarding the \$600,000 for sewer and water. He is not sure where that is coming from because sewer and water is not needed in the park area.

Trustee Burkholder had to remind Mr. Kennard that he was out of order. Trustee Burkholder said there has to be a method of order so that we may get through the meeting. Trustee Burkholder asked Mr. Kennard for the last time if he cannot remain quiet, he will be escorted out.

Trustee McKee had no comments and believed the board covered everything.

Trustee Burkholder had a conversation with a resident that travels from Pickerington to the new Intel Plant. The resident travels Mink Street for

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his commute. The resident asked if there is any funding increase for improvements. His travel time has nearly doubled. Trustee Burkholder is aware of the issue, but nothing definitive of a plan for improvement. Trustee Burkholder spoke with Brian Boscch of District 5. He has indicated that they will need to study it again. Signal times have been increased so that more traffic can get through that area. Trustee Burkholder did want to let the public know that it is a problem that will not be quickly solved. This can be brought up at the Licking County Transportation Improvement.

Trustee McKee has gotten several notifications of accidents and fatalities at the corner of 40 and Palmer. Trustee McKee knows it will not get better any time soon, but feels roundabouts seem to help slow traffic. Trustee Burkholder knows there are frustrations with speed limit signs, but the county engineer has to do a study for lowering the speed limits.

Trustee Evans agrees there have been quite a few accidents at the corner of Mink and Palmer. The township did get additional signs out. The speed study is for 50mph, and the county does not make a change for 5mph and below. The current speed limits are 55mph and 45mph. Trustee Evans would like to know if the township could ask for the speed limit be lowered to 50mph.

b.

Zoning Department

There will be a Board of Zoning Appeals hearing Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. There was a delay for this hearing due to a late entry in meeting the notice requirement.

Trustee Burkholder mentioned there have been several resumes received for the Zoning Inspector position. The board will be going into executive session to go over a few of those resumes. No decisions will be made.

The township has been getting quite a few violations ranging from trash, junk vehicles, and chickens. Quite frankly the township is doing as best we can. Trustee Burkholder would like to make a public service announcement that he appreciates the patience. Some violations are complicated, and some are simple. When we need additional help, that is where the outside firm will be helpful. There are two cases that are in the Common Pleas Court. One has been filed by the township and one has been filed by the applicant. Trustee Burkholder would like everyone to know we are working as diligently as we can. The capabilities of the zoning software have not been utilized to full capacity.

Trustee Evans is frustrated along with other residents. Trustee Evans feels there is no excuse for this since we did hire an outside firm to handle this. Trustee Evans was told certain cases were in progress but were never handed over to the firm. Issues with Mink Street and Scannell were not given to the firm. There are violations on Tollgate that should have been given out, but were not. There are more verbal violations given out rather than written ones. Trustee Evans is

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disappointed the zoning inspector position has not been filled. The position has been open for over four months. Trustee Evans feels there is no excuse for not utilizing the zoning firm. He gets calls every other day from residents. Trustee Evans says we cannot wait to the last minute for deadlines, especially regarding the BZA publication. Regarding the M-1 Text Amendment, we missed the deadline for publication to have it at a regular meeting. This needs to be addressed by June 15th.

Trustee Burkholder said the board has thirty days. Trustee Burkholder would like to address the issue immediately. Trustee Burkholder disagrees with Trustee Evans. Trustee Burkholder said the township lost a twenty year veteran that could keep the hearings on track. The township has new staff and has been trying to learn the process and the procedures. Trustee Burkholder said Trustee Evans could criticize all he wants, but he will stand up for the staff. Trustee Burkholder mention ORC 519 that the board will set the hearing date, not one trustee. Trustee Burkholder said Trustee McKee has a right to weigh in on when that date gets set. Trustee Burkholder does not appreciate the accusations from Trustee Evans. Trustee Burkholder suggested Trustee Evans come into the office to help out. With limited staff things take time. Trustee Burkholder says when we rush to push items through mistakes will happen. Trustee Evans asked for the prosecutor review it, but did not get a response. Trustee Evans mentioned that he has been supportive of the staff and making sure they are getting what they need. Trustee Evans is frustrated that information is not being shared and there are important dates that are being missed. Trustee Evans does agree that things do take time, but the new zoning firm unless they are told nothing will be started. Trustee Evans said the new zoning firm does not have information on Chingle or Scannell. Trustee Burkholder tried to make an amendment to have the M-1 Text Amendment initiated by the Zoning Commission but was turned down. Both the old secretary and the Zoning Commission Chair was in agreement with Trustee Burkholder. Trustee Evans is incorrect regarding McBride Dale not having information on Scannell and Chingle per Trustee Burkholder, they do have the information.

Trustee Burkholder mentioned the emails that he sees from Trustee Evans are critical of the staff, other board members and commissions. With limited staff, they should not have to focus on 10 to 20 emails asking for updates on various projects.

Trustee Burkholder asked Trustee Evans when he would like to set a hearing date and it could also be a work session. When setting dates, we need to follow proper procedure. Trustee Burkholder stated in the ORC that one member of the board does not have the authority to set hearing dates, it is a decision for the board. Trustee Evans says the board is required to hear the M-1 Text Amendment by June 15, 2024. Trustee Burkholder recommended a date be set for a special meeting to discuss the M-1 Text Amendment. Trustee Evans, like the prosecutor stated the mistakes made by the Zoning Commission were not fatal because they are not a legislative board. Trustee Burkholder stated that this is the last time negativity will be said about the Zoning Commission. Trustee Burkholder asked Trustee Evans where he got the June 15th date. Trustee Evans the date is thirty days from the time it is transmitted to the board. The board set the M-1 Text Amendment public hearing date for Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

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M-1 Text Amendment Notification (1).pdf 𐄂

Moved by: Mark Evans
Seconded by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

c. Storm Water

Trustee Burkholder does not have a complete report but understands there has been some progress out at Haaf Farms. A resident has spoken with Trustee Burkholder regarding issues with the pond. He has not had a chance to call to call them back but intends to. Trustee Evans, the pond off Smoke Road is still causing issues. There should have been an overflow pipe installed but it is not in. Trustee McKee asked Bubba if the township had planted trees, there were lots of trees planted. Trustee Burkholder asked Trustee Evans if he has the details of what needs to be installed. Trustee Evans does not know but did see where a drainage pipe for an overflow into the ditch or a stoppage of a culvert pipe to allow flow to go out would be a solution. Soil and Water did indicate that is what would be needed for the repair. Trustee Burkholder asked for Trustee Evans to take the lead on what would be needed to fix the issues and then report back to the board.

Trustee Evans addressed the need to do more evaluations on the roads in the township that are deteriorating. Trustee Burkholder thinks the board needs to talk with Soil and Water. Soil and Water have done evaluations before. Trustee Burkholder has inquired about a township wide Stormwater Management Plan.

d. Parks

The board will not have a response regarding High Point park until after July 1, 2024. Trustee Burkholder has nothing to report on the new park ground for the structure that was on the property. The structure is secure now. Trustee Burkholder confirmed with Jim Dziatkowicz and the zoning inspector that a hard copy of the survey is now in the system. Jim Dziatkowicz wants to compile all the information into a presentation to be presented later. Trustee Evans would like to add that there is a water leak at the park that seems to be underground. Bubba with the Roads Department is researching the cost and ways to repair it. Trustee Evans has heard from some residents that they would like it replaced and add a dog water fountain at the bottom.

Trustee Burkholder stated that the township has secured the Langel property, but now there is some confusion between the developer and LCPC regarding the language on the maintenance of the retention pond. Regarding the new storage buildings on 40, Trustee Burkholder had a walk through about six weeks ago along with Soil and Water. One of the problems is there are three different final development plans. The property was built out in phases. The as-builts have not been found. LCPC is having a hard time finding the information as well. The county has over 60 subdivision violations throughout the county.

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[WLJFD Etna Report May 2024.pdf](#)

Trustee Evans reported the transport fee has been changed from 6.5% to 3.75%. They have approved three new hires. There were 17 fires last month. There were 76 good intent calls. They are working with the union and have gotten the union grievance settled. They will start the negotiation process soon for the union contract. The open house on Taylor Road had a great turn out.

f. JEDD and JEDZ first quarter 2024 reports.

Trustee McKee states we are in good standings with all the boards, there is one board that is in the red. Trustee Burkholder offered to have this at the next meeting as well since the JEDD and JEDZ just met. Trustee Evans is planning on proposing to use funds for the preservation treatment plan. Trustee Evans asked Trustee McKee if that would be possible. Trustee McKee stated that it is a possibility, but it would need to be brought to the board then to the JEDD board. Trustee Burkholder feels the township needs way finding signs for Amazon which can be taken from JEDZ2 and on JEDZ1 the board would need to look into using some of those funds to help improve Mink Street. The Amazon funds are down several hundred thousand.

g. Work session for proposed development presentation

Trustee Burkholder has been contacted by several developers requesting to meet one on one. Trustee Burkholder feels it would be better to meet with all the board in an open setting. But if it is economic development incentives they are looking into, according to the ORC it would be better to hold a meeting and go into executive session. Trustee Burkholder has not heard from Montrose as of recently. Trustee Evans has not had an in-depth conversation with them. Trustee Evans does not feel it's a good idea to meet with any developer until the comprehensive land use plan has been completed. Trustee McKee is familiar with Nate Montrose. Trustee Burkholder feels the sooner the comprehensive land use plan is finished the better. The trustees set a work session date to discuss the comprehensive land use plan for Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. This will be a public meeting for the presentation of the comprehensive land use plan. The board will welcome resident comments afterwards.

Trustee Evans asked if the new intern will be looking over the comprehensive land use plan as well. Trustee Burkholder has given the intern projects such as looking into grants as well as the comprehensive land use plan draft.

The township was awarded the H2O Chloride grant for \$32,000. The money will be used on a system to wash the vehicles so that the salt does not end up back on the roads. Also, there will be more technology that will be able to sense the roads to determine whether salt needs to be put down. Trustee Burkholder will need to do a little more research for the OAKS id number since it has not been used in a while. Nothing can be done until after June 1st. OAKS will then reimburse the township after the township has paid. OAKS is the Ohio Administrative Knowledge System. Trustee McKee inquired on how much the grant was for, Trustee Burkholder said it was \$32,000 and some change. According to Bubba Copley the township was granted the full amount

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Moved by: Mark Evans*Seconded by:* Gary Burkholder**Yes**

Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0**7. New Business**

- a. Zoning Resolution 2024-028 Update Proposal - McBride Dale Clarion

[Etna Township Zoning Resolution Update.pdf](#)

Trustee Evans thinks this is a little premature and that there will need to be a lot of effort on the staff and getting the firm all the information they need. Trustee Evans would not be for this. Trustee Burkholder is fine with it, but the zoning resolution book has been forwarded to the firm.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-028 McBride Dale Clarion proposal with discussion

Moved by: Gary Burkholder*Seconded by:* Mark Evans**No Vote**

Motion to table Zoning Resolution Update Proposal - McBride Dale Clarion

Moved by: Gary Burkholder*Seconded by:* Rozland McKee-Flax**Yes**

Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

- b. 2024 Road Paving - Engineering Assistance Request

Trustee Evans had a meeting with Dominic from Strawser. He feels we should be getting a lot more out of our roads, which we are not.

Strawser works with micro surfacing which can extend the life of the road which will help. Trustee Evans is requesting engineering assistance that will give the township an estimate of repairs so that the township can place it out for bids. Trustee Evans spoke with Bill Lozier about any anticipated activity. The TID was directed to study that for changes but has since been put on hold because the state has taken the lead. Mr. Lozier advised Trustee Evans to not hold off on any improvements.

Motion to approve Road Paving - Engineering Assistance Request as presented

Moved by: Gary Burkholder*Seconded by:* Rozland McKee-Flax**Yes**

Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

- c. Resolution 2024-027 Pavement Technologies Inc. 2024 Road Preservation motion to table

Trustee Evans said this was a request for an opinion from the

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prosecutor, but she did not get approval, so she was unable to give an opinion. Trustee Burkholder asked when the request was made to which Trustee Evans responded, yesterday. All Trustee Evans needs is a yes and the prosecutor will respond. Trustee Burkholder did respond to the prosecutor today, but she was leaving the office. Trustee Burkholder moved to table until the next meeting so that all the approvals will be in place.

[2024 Etna Twp Proposal.docx](#) @ [2024 Etna Twp Proposal \(Gallons\).docx](#) @ [2024-027 Resolution Pavement Technologies Inc.docx](#) @

Motion to table Resolution 2024-027 Pavement Technologies Inc. 2024 Road Preservation

Moved by: Gary Burkholder
Seconded by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

Motion to approve request the JEDD or JEDZ for reimbursement of the reclamite application for Heritage Drive and Etna Parkway in the amount of \$39,087.50.

Moved by: Mark Evans
Seconded by: Gary Burkholder

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

d. Proposal for contract Zoning Inspector Services

The board will go into executive session to discuss resumes received regarding the zoning inspector position. Trustee Burkholder is not asking for a vote on this tonight but did want to look at the qualifications. Some are qualified and some are not. Trustee Burkholder says there is one individual with a high level of experience. Trustee Burkholder feels this individual would work well with McBride Dale. This individual would be a contracted employee.

8. Fiscal Officer Report

a. Resolution 2024-025 to approve purchase orders

Trustee Burkholder moved to amend the purchase order to remove the AHS Etna payment of \$95,000. Trustee Burkholder did receive a request from the Fiscal Officer for the board to establish a separate checking account for the healthcare payments. The request was just received today.

Motion to amend purchase orders to remove AHS Etna for \$95,000

Moved by: Gary Burkholder
Seconded by: Mark Evans

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

Motion to approve purchase orders as presented with discussion

Moved by: Gary Burkholder

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Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

b. Motion to pay the bills

Trustee Evans mentioned the Agpro that needed an emergency repair. The cost was \$5,300. Authority is given for up to \$5,000 for emergencies. Trustee Evans feels without a Township Administrator the board should increase the limits of the President. Trustee Burkholder will be more than happy to do that at the next meeting. Motion to pay the bills with discussion

Moved by: Mark Evans*Seconded by:* Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

c. Transfers

There are no transfers at this time.

9. Public Comments

Ryan Davis of 8807 Watkins Road - Mr. Evans has often reflected how he is dissatisfied with the meeting minutes. Mr. Davis would like to bring to the board his comments from the last meeting. They were very brief considering what he had spoken about. What he is more concerned with is when Mr. Evans said there were issues with the NCA, that made the minutes. I take offense to that. There's been no issues with the NCA. Maybe issues with how you would do it. The board is more than satisfied, there's been no legal issues. We're doing just fine over there. I also received an email from Mr. Evans on Sunday at 12:31 a.m. requesting information regarding overdue balances. The bank automatically charged for having a zero balance since they opened the account before the first check was cashed. I personally went to the bank in Newark in August of 2023, and they removed all the charges. There have been no issues with the NCA. I would like the minutes to reflect what was conducted at the last meeting because I do not feel that is fair to be quoted forever to say there's issues with the board I'm running when the select group of people who are attending these meetings would like them live streamed. Maybe you could bring a proposal to the next meeting to live stream the meetings.

Connie Heim of 10293 Smoke Road wanted to know if the culverts that were spoke of earlier in the meeting, would her culvert be one of them. Trustee Evans says our road went out with Soil and Water and determined what was in our right-of-way is proper and anything outside of our right-of-way is out of our jurisdiction. Mrs. Heim says the culvert is not sufficient and is not helping. Mrs. Connie may think the creek needs to be cleaned out. Bubba says it would be up to the property owner to clean outside of the right of way.

10. Executive Session - ORC 121.22(G)

ORC 121.22(G)(1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing.

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ORC 121.22(G)(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

ORC 121.22(G)(8) To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance.

Motion to go into Execution Session to consider the appointment or employment of a public official at 7:57 p.m.

Moved by: Gary Burkholder

Seconded by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

Motion to exit Executive Session at 8:48 p.m.

Moved by: Gary Burkholder

Seconded by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

Motion to go into Execution Session - Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action at 8:50 p.m.

Moved by: Gary Burkholder

Seconded by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

Motion to exit Executive Session at 9:24 p.m.

Moved by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Seconded by: Mark Evans

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

11. Announcements and Trustee Comments

a. Next Trustee Regular Meeting, Tuesday, June 4, 2024

at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee McKee brought up Columbia Road and Pike Street. Trustee McKee mentioned there are two speed monitors that the township purchased. Trustee McKee's biggest concern is Columbia Road because there has been a fatality on that road and numerous accidents. In her twenty years of living in the township she has seen many accidents. Trustee McKee is aware there have been issues with the monitors and knows they have been pulled off for repair. She has noticed that the monitor and stand are gone and would like to know where it is. The other trustees did not know and were unaware they were gone. Trustee

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Evans did mention there was a sheriff's deputy at the entrance of the cemetery monitoring. Trustee Burkholder will get with the road department to see where the monitors are and ask if any of the information has been downloaded.

Trustee Evans wanted to address the public comment by Mr. Davis. He stands firm on that there were issues with the NCA. No public comments are on their agenda and that was addressed last year. Also, in reference as to why Trustee Evans did not call him, he felt emailing would be easier. Also, after searching further Trustee Evans was able to find his answer. Regarding streaming, Mr. Davis criticized Trustee Evans for not streaming. Trustee Evans said Trustee McKee did bring in a streaming service, but she has refused to implement that. Trustee Evans is concerned that Mr. Hanson mentioned privileged attorney information. Trustee Evans is also frustrated that the zoning issues are not being addressed more timely.

Trustee McKee addressed Trustee Evans regarding the live streaming. Trustee McKee stated that the township had a Township Administrator and that was her job, and she was doing her job. Trustee McKee stated that it was clear Trustee Evans wanted the Township Administrator gone. Trustee McKee stated that she feels Trustee Evans thinks that all the things they previously did was wrong, and everything he does is right. A board is supposed to work together.

Trustee Burkholder comments are that there are areas that need to be improved, but we don't have an administrator. Trying to thrust everything on one trustee is counterproductive and we need to work as a team. Trustee Burkholder does hear the concerns of the residents and has let them know we are working the best we can with the resources that we have. Trustee Burkholder wishes the board would have a little bit more empathy and appreciation for what everyone on the board and our employees are doing. There are a lot of things that need to get done that didn't happen overnight. These things will take time. Trustee Burkholder suggested to the board if there are items that need to be addressed to make a list. Trustee Evans mentioned he has provided multiple lists. One was to the outside zoning firm that he states he has sent at least three times. Which have not been addressed and that is part of the frustration. Trustee Evans also made mention of the zoning inspector that has been open for over four months, but just went to indeed yesterday. Trustee Burkholder concluded the remarks. Trustee Burkholder feels it is the same comments from Trustee Evans day after day and meeting after meeting. Trustee Burkholder stated we cannot correct what was done in the past and we must move forward.

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:37 p.m.

Moved by: Rozland McKee-Flax
Seconded by: Gary Burkholder

Yes Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

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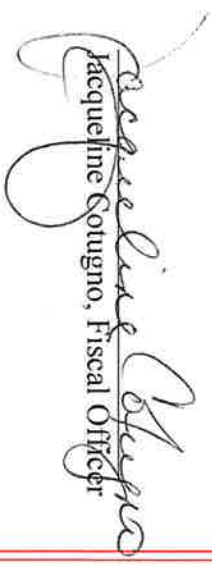
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Gary Burkholder, President


Jacqueline Cotugno, Fiscal Officer