

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Etna Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting

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

Held _____ March 25, _____ 20____ 2025

The Etna Township Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, in the Etna Township Hall, 81 Liberty Street, Etna, Ohio 43018 for the purpose of conducting a special 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 and Jackie Cotugno

1. Opening

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call
- c. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda

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

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

Carried 3-0

Discussion - Trustee Evans stated the items on the agenda are the exact same ones he had requested for the last meeting. Trustee Evans also stated the items were ignored by the other trustees. There was an attempt at the last meeting to amend the agenda, but the items were refused. Trustee Evans requested a special meeting immediately following the last regular meeting.

Trustee McKee stated Trustee Evans is in campaign mode and has constantly bashed Trustee Burkholder and herself at the podium and on social media. Trustee McKee believes Trustee Evans continually blames the other trustees for things he is not getting his way. Trustee McKee stated the board is there to take care of township business, would like to move forward, and stop blaming and campaigning.

3. Public Comments

Trustee Burkholder warned Mr. Evans he will be called out of order if he engages in any type of name calling or calling any member of the board liars.

Mark Evans - Mr. Evans stated he has been silenced time and time again. Mr. Evans has emails to prove where he requested these items to be on the agenda. Mr. Evans called Trustee McKee's statement a lie to which Trustee Burkholder stated Mr. Evans was out of order. Mr. Evans stated he is not campaigning.

The only comment Trustee Burkholder made is that Mr. Evans failed to provide a prepared resolution for a project that he was to complete.

Phyllis Bundy - 10254 Tollgate Road - Mrs. Bundy respectfully stated to the board that they are all campaigning, and their tone needs to be lower. Mrs. Bundy also believes the board should conduct business in a civil way. Everyone is getting tired of

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their behavior.

4. New Business

- a. Authorization for Prosecutor Opinion

[Resolution 2025-016.pdf](#) Ⓢ

Roof Contractor Contract

Public Records Request Status

Motion to approve Resolution 2025-016

Moved by: Gary Burkholder

Seconded by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes

Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

Discussion - Trustee Evans stated these were items he attempted to deal with last Tuesday and now they are a week delayed. Trustee Burkholder called the question. The resolution will be forwarded to the prosecutor's office with corrections.

Motion to amend Resolution 2025-016 with corrections

Moved by: Gary Burkholder

Seconded by: Rozland McKee-Flax

Yes

Gary Burkholder, Mark Evans, and Rozland McKee-Flax

Carried 3-0

- b. Refer Case Number 2025-00243PQ to Prosecutor's Office

5. Public Comments

Mark Evans - Mr. Evans stated he is being silenced by the other trustees. Mr. Evans brought up the BZA being sued to which Trustee Burkholder said Mr. Evans is out of order. The item needs to pertain to the agenda. Trustee McKee and Trustee Burkholder reminded Mr. Evans he cannot speak on items that are not on the agenda.

6. 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.

There was no executive session.

7. Announcement and Trustee Comments

- a. Next Trustee Regular Meeting, Tuesday, April 1, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

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8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:17 p.m.

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

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

Carried 3-0

Gary Burkholder, President

Jacqueline Cotugno, Fiscal Officer

All the resolutions as presented are on file with the Fiscal Officer.