

# ECKFORD TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING JANUARY 20, 2025

A monthly meeting of Eckford Township Board was held on Monday January 20, 2025 at the Eckford Township Hall. A quorum being present the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor B. Rapp. Other board members in attendance, Treasurer T. Baylis, Clerk L. Blight, Trustee Cornell, Trustee Maksimchuk and Zoning Administrator Malloch.

**APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 16, 2024 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES:** A copy of the December 20, 2024 meeting minutes was email before tonight's meeting to each board member for their review. Trustee Cornell moved to accept the December 20, 2024, regular meeting minutes as written. Support was given. **Vote was taken, all-in-favor. MINUTES APPROVED**

**CITIZENS COMMENTS:** None

**LIBRARY BOARD REPORT:** C. Bagi: The library has puzzles to lend and they will except gently used puzzles 500 pieces or less.

## **TREASURERS FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

Cash on Hand December	528,285.02
December Monthly Income	46,239.54
Fire Department total	8,923.52
December Disbursements	73,051.77
January 2025 Expenses to be paid	15,603.34
Parks Millage Fund	7,616.69

Trustee Maksimchuk moved we accept the Treasurers report as read. Support given.

Vote was taken, all-in favor. **TREASURERS REPORT APPROVED.**

**Budget Amendment:** Clerk Blight moved that we transfer \$2,000 from Election expense and deposit into Hall expense. Support was given.

**Vote was taken, All in favor. BUDGET AMENDMENT APPROVED.**

**HOMER FIRE BOARD REPORT:** By Supervisor Rapp: Budget approved. Cash on hand \$396,709.42. 21 runs in Eckford in 2024

**MARENGO FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** No report.

**MARSHALL FIREFIGHTERS' AMBULANCE REPORT:** By Trustee Cornell: Looking at new sick leave policy. New remount should arrive in February. November runs 427 total and 4 in Eckford. December runs 438 total and 8 in Eckford.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** D. Malloch: 1 building permit issued for AT&T tower upgrades in Eckford, and 1 electric permit issued.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:** D. Malloch: No Code activity

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Trustee Maksimchuk: Planning commission will relook at the Townships Master Plan.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Roads:** Fire Keepers grant update: We have received the check.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Campbell Auditing Contract. Supervisor Rapp offered a motion to sign the contract for Campbell Auditing for the amount of \$4,400 for audit year 2026. Support was given. **Vote was taken, All in Favor. Campbell Auditing Contract, Passed.**

B & E Security Systems, Treasurer Baylis offered a motion to accept the quote from B & E Security Systems bid for the township hall security system in the amount of \$1,076.52. Support was given. **Vote was taken, All in Favor. B & E Security Systems bid, Passed**

Parks Resolution 2025-01, A motion was offered from Treasurer Baylis to accept Resolution 2025-01 (Parks Resolution) roll call vote was taken B. Maksimchuk Yes, W. Cornell Yes, L. Blight Yes, B. Rapp Yes, T. Baylis Yes, **All in Favor. Resolution 2025-01, Passed**

Township Road work, A motion was offered by Clerk Blight to accept the County Road Commission bid for the roads of Dayton & Liberty in the Village of Eckford in the amount of \$ 39,697.50, with no dollar support from Calhoun County. Support was given. **Vote was taken, 4 Yay votes and 1 no vote. Dayton & Liberty Road bid, Passed. Planning Commission Appointments, Trustee Cornell offered a motion to appoint M. Frohm, R. DeJong and E. Vincent to a 3-year Planning Commission term and Trustee Maksimchuk to be the Township Board representative for the Planning Commission. Support was offered. **Vote was taken, All in Favor. Planning Commission Appointments, Passed. Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment, A motion was offered by Clerk Blight to appoint B. Maksimchuk to the Eckford Township Zoning Board of Appeals. Support was given. **Vote was taken, All in Favor. Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment, Passed******

Treasurer Baylis, informed the Board that she will be looking into BS & A credit card system for a way that our residents can pay for their property taxes.

Having no further business, T motioned that we adjourn @ 7:41 pm.

Le Anne Blight

Eckford Township Clerk

Bruce Rapp

Supervisor

Date Approved: