

**Egelston Township Board of Trustees**  
**Monday December 16<sup>th</sup> 2024**  
**5:30 PM Special Meeting**

The special meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm with all members present except Trustee Spencer who arrived at 5:55 pm. Interim Fire Chief Brentana and a host of firefighters were also in attendance.

1. The Fire Service Agreements was discussed at length. We received input from the interim fire chief as well as several firefighters.
2. Fire Chief job description, salary and hiring process was discussed at length.
3. Cleaning position was discussed and a job description and list of duties was presented.

**7:00 PM Regular Meeting**

1. Supervisor Faino called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm with all members present. Deputy Dias, Interim Fire Chief Brentana and a host of firefighters were also in attendance. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
2. Motion by Trustee Slade, seconded by Trustee Spencer to approve the consent agenda. Passed 7-0.
  - A) 12/2/24 Board of Trustee regular meeting minutes
  - B) 11/30/24 Treasurer's report
3. Public Comments: None.
4. Old Business:
  - A) Motion by Trustee Spencer, seconded by Trustee Slade to post the state minimum requirement plus maintain MFR license, valid driver's license with good driving record and FFTC emergency vehicle driving certification, with the additional items in the presented description listed as preferred items for the fire chief position. Treasurer Rosema "My comment is, I am sorry, I am voting yes with comment. I will vote yes so that we can get this show on the road and get a Fire Chief hired but I totally disagree that we don't list the requirements that we expect our Chief to do." Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.
  - B) Motion by Treasurer Rosema to accept contract known as "B". Died for lack of support. Motion by Trustee Spencer, seconded by Trustee Slade to accept the fire service contract known as contract "A", the original contract. Passed on a roll call vote 6-1 with Treasurer Rosema voting no. Treasurer Rosema "Our firefighters sat here and told us they wanted to have the Lucas tool, they were planning to try to buy one and it disheartens me that we didn't go with the Lucas." Supervisor Faino would have liked to just accept the contract with the \$47,000 equipment purchase language but was ok with this decision.

5. New Business: None

6. Motion by Trustee Spencer, seconded by Trustee Slade to accept the cleaning person posting and job description with the addition of must pass a background check, physical and drug test. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

7. Fire Department

A) Motion by Treasurer Rosema, seconded by Trustee Spencer to approve the \$80,000.00 payment to Spencer Fire Trucks for the chassis of the new fire truck. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

B) Motion by Trustee Slade, seconded by Trustee Spencer to approve the Annual SCBA Flow Test in the amount of \$2,939.14. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

C) Motion by Trustee Spencer, seconded by Trustee Foster to accept with regret the resignation of firefighter Chad Forward. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

8. Motion by Trustee Slade, seconded by Treasurer Rosema to accept the Committee appointments as presented. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

Planning Commission

Benj Spencer- Board member, expires 11/20/2028

Brock Creighton – expires 1/01/2027

David Covell – expires 1/01/2027

Ike Villalpondo – expires 1/01/2026

Nate Stephenson – expires 1/01/2026

Zoning Board of Appeals:

Peggy Foster, Board member – expires 11/20/2028

Brock Creighton Planning Commission member – expires 1/01/2026

Bambi Rhinehart – expires 1/01/2027

Scott Rogers – expires 1/01/2026

Brian Mathis – expires 1/01/2027

9. Motion by Clerk Raap, seconded by Trustee Foster to allow any board member that wish to go to the MTA conference. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

10. Motion by Treasurer Rosema, seconded by Trustee Spencer to change 391 Whispering Oaks from one to two REU's because it is an assisted living home and not a single-family home as recommended by the Sewer Committee. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

11. Motion by Trustee Spencer, seconded by Treasurer Rosema to accept the Storywalk gift from MADL and put it at Beals Park with the DPW presenting a design to be approved by the board and maintaining it. Passed on a roll call vote 7-0.

12. Communications:

Planning Commission. No meeting held this month.

Zoning Board of Appeals. Nothing at this time.

Sewer Committee. Done under item #10.

Board of Trustees. Nothing at this time.

13 Public Comments began at 8:08 pm and ended at 8:12 pm.

Items discussed: Request to make copies of the Treasurers report available to the public at the meetings

14. Board Comments began at 8:12 pm and ended at 8:20 pm.

Items discussed:

Zoning changes being worked on at the state level

One Fish, two fish

Battery plant

Slide show of current events for the website

Township facebook page changes

15. Motion by Treasurer Rosema, seconded by Trustee Spencer to adjourn at 8:29 pm. Passed 7- 0