

RUSHCREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES  
MEETING MINUTES

January 3, 2024

Chad Ashbaugh, Chairman called the Rushcreek Township Trustee Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Pledge to American Flag**

**Roll Call of the Board:** Chad: Present Rick: Present Jim: Present

Lisa (fiscal): Present Will (fire): Present Richard (roads): Present Detria (zoning): Present

Chad asked that all cell phones be muted except for the Chief's.

**VISITORS**

Dave Foltz – Zoning Commission Chair

**Organizational Section**

Chad Ashbaugh, Chairman, opened the floor for the reorganization of Rushcreek Township Board for 2023.

**Nominations for the position of Chairman of Rushcreek Township for 2024.**

Trustee Downard nominated Trustee Ashbaugh for the position of Chairman of Rushcreek Township Board for 2024. Trustee Ashbaugh agreed to accept the appointment. Hearing no other nominations, Trustee Ashbaugh moved to close the nominations and appoint Trustee Ashbaugh as the Chairman of the Rushcreek Township Board of Trustees for 2024.

**Roll Call:** Chad : Aye Jim: Aye Rick: Aye

Trustee Ashbaugh opened the floor for nominations for the positions of **Vice Chairman of Rushcreek Township Board** for the 2024. Trustee Moyer nominated Trustee Downard for the position of Vice Chairman of the Rushcreek Township Board of Trustees for 2024. Trustee Downard agreed to accept the appointment. Hearing no other nominations, Trustee Ashbaugh moved to close the nomination and appoint Trustee Downard as the Vice Chairman of the Rushcreek Township Board of Trustees for 2023.

**Roll Call:** Chad : Aye Jim: Aye Rick: Aye

The floor was turned over to Chairman Trustee Ashbaugh to proceed with the business.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes from the December 29, 2023 regular meeting have been distributed for review prior to the meeting, and are being presented for approval.

**Motion to accept:** Trustee Ashbaugh **Second:** Trustee Moyer

**Roll Call:** Chad: Aye Rick: Aye Jim: Aye

Chad reminded everyone that the minutes are available upon request at the Fiscal Officer's office and the website.

**The delegation of duties for 2024 were presented as follows:**

There are approximately 39 miles of roads in Rushcreek Township that, in the past, have been divided into thirds. The Trustees agreed to the road assignments as follows:

Trustee Downard	North
Trustee Ashbaugh	South
Trustee Moyer	East

BWC FEEG grant information – quotes/pricing item(s). Need to know if any were Hazmat ? for grant application. Chief stated there were no HAZMAT runs for 2023.

**2023 Overall Runs 670. 578 were EMS related or 86% of the run total, 92 were FIRE/MVA related.**  
 2022 runs were 701.

**2023 Mutual Aid runs were 173 given, received 44.** 2022 Mutual aid was 259.

**Fire and EMS runs 12/16/2023 through 12/31/2023.**

<b>18- EMS</b>		<b>9- transports</b>
<b>4- Fire</b>		
<b>0- MVA</b>		
<b>6-Mutual Aid given</b>		<b>3- Mutual Aid received</b>

**Mutual Aid Breakdown 12/16/2023 through 12/31/2023**

	<b>Given</b>	<b>Received</b>
Berne Township	0	<u>0</u>
Junction City	0	<u>1</u>
Marion	0	<u>1</u>
Lancaster	0	<u>1</u>
Pleasant	1	<u>1</u>
Richland	2	<u>1</u>
Misc. (Somerset, Hopewell, Straitsville, New Lex	0	<u>1</u>

**2023 Mutual Aid Totals**

Berne Township	<b>29</b>	<b>8</b>
Junction City	<b>25</b>	<b>1</b>
Marion	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>
Lancaster	<b>1</b>	<u><b>1</b></u>
Pleasant	<b>27</b>	<b>14</b>
Richland	<b>58</b>	<b>19</b>
Misc. (Somerset, Hopewell, Straitsville, New Lex	<b>22</b>	<u><b>0</b></u>

**Zoning**

29 permits issued in 2023, 7 new construction, 1 conditional use permit

Detria (Zoning Inspector) and Dave Foltz (Zoning Commission Chair) addressed the Board regarding several issues. Accessory structure size change and limits. The proposal from the work session regarding size and height limits. Their initial thought was to remove those limitations. Trustee Downard expressed concern over removing those limits. Trustee Downard thought further consideration should be discussed by the Commission to take into consideration, the variance process, surrounding neighbors and other factors. The Board also expressed these types of changes to policy should be voted on at published meetings, that "work sessions" were not the path to make policy changes. The Board, Dave, and Detria agreed. However, minor errors such as spelling or absence of clarifying language could be noted and made. Detria highlighted the changes to the Zoning Application could be made with the Resolution process for fees and clarification and were not a part of the policy guideline. Detria incorporated all feedback she received regarding the updated application and presented it to the Board

**Trustee Ashbaugh Motion:** Increase for Richard Campbell effective with 1/1/2024 pay cycle to \$21.30 per hour. **Second: Trustee Downard. Roll Call: Chad: Aye Rick: Aye Jim: Aye**

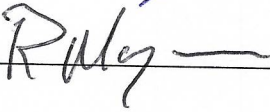
**Trustee Ashbaugh Motion:** Increase for David Campbell effective with 1/1/2024 pay cycle to \$18.60 per hour. **Second: Trustee Moyer. Roll Call: Chad: Aye Rick: Aye Jim: Aye**

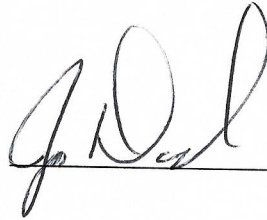
**Trustee Ashbaugh hearing no further business**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Trustee Ashbaugh

Adjournment time: 8:42 p.m.

  
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**Payment Listing**

1/4/2024 to 1/18/2024

Payment Advice #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount	Status
23-2024	01/04/2024	01/01/2024	EW	Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund	\$9,090.12	O
24-2024	01/17/2024	01/09/2024	CH	BUREAU OF WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$1,590.00	O
25-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	DONALD L ABRAM III	\$298.71	O
26-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	CHAD M ASHBAUGH	\$594.28	O
27-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	LISA A BURNWORTH	\$856.48	O
28-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	DAVID G CAMPBELL	\$1,298.72	O
29-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	RICHARD CURTLENN CAMPBELL	\$1,887.70	O
30-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	JAMES S DOWNARD	\$633.38	O
31-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	WILLIAM M. DUVALL	\$917.84	O
32-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	AMBER LEE-ANNE FLINT	\$2,074.56	O
33-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	MATTHEW GRAHAM	\$580.25	O
34-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	ERIKA N HEDGES	\$289.03	O
35-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	JEREMI W HEDGES	\$1,705.96	O
36-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	DETRIA L HILES	\$157.14	O
37-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	BRIAN K. IRWIN	\$136.22	O
38-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	JORDAN P IRWIN	\$719.65	O
39-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	ANTHONY M. KERR	\$1,549.37	O
40-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	STEVEN PHILLIP KILBARGER	\$1,772.26	O
41-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	BRIAN E MCQUEARY	\$27.38	O
42-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	RYAN M SMITH	\$1,486.38	O
43-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EP	KENNETH JOE WALTON	\$66.41	O
45-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EW	DEPT OF TREASURY - IRS	\$3,947.91	O
46-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EW	REGIONAL INCOME TAX AGENCY	\$467.86	O
47-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EW	SCHOOL DISTRICT INCOME TAX	\$688.04	O
48-2024	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	EW	TREASURER OF STATE OF OHIO	\$1,062.65	O
43389	01/17/2024	01/16/2024	PR	RICHARD E MOYER	\$624.32	O
43390	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	VILLAGE OF BREMEN	\$221.58	O
43391	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	RUSHCREEK FEED AND SUPPLY CO.	\$7.80	O
43392	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	OFFICE MART, INC.	\$44.73	O
43393	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	OHIO UTILITIES PROTECTION SERVICE	\$183.65	O
43394	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	DEP'T OF TREASURY - IRS	\$355.14	O
43395	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	\$854.63	O
43396	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	COLUMBIA GAS COMPANY	\$928.00	O
43397	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$80.22	O
43398	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	SMETZER'S TIRE CENTER, INC.	\$2,787.00	O
43399	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	TELEFLEX LLC	\$1,215.50	O
43400	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	BOUND TREE MEDICAL	\$299.90	O
43401	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	R.D. HOLDER OIL COMPANY	\$879.44	O
43402	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$14.36	O
43403	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	VISA	\$381.94	O
43404	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	SPECTRUM BUSINESS	\$79.98	O
43405	01/17/2024	01/17/2024	AW	SPECTRUM BUSINESS	\$199.98	O
Total Payments:					\$43,056.47	
Total Conversion Vouchers:					\$0.00	
Total Less Conversion Vouchers:					\$43,056.47	