

**OHIO COURT OF CLAIMS
PUBLIC RECORDS ACCESS
FORMAL COMPLAINT**

Ohio Court of Claims
65 South Front Street, 3rd Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215
(614) 387-9800
www.ohiocourtclaims.gov

OCC Form Rev. ()

INSTRUCTIONS: This form is to be used only when filing complaints under Ohio Revised Code 2743.75(D). All information provided may be disclosed pursuant to Ohio Public Records Act, O.R.C. 149.43.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

CLAIMANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of person **or** organization that made public records request (last, first, middle initial **or** organization name)

Jon Hanson

c/o (contact person if claimant is an organization)

Address

51 Ridgewood Dr SW

City

ETNA

State

OH

Zip Code

43062

Telephone number

614-866-4289

E-mail address

paperhawk@gmail.com

PUBLIC OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of public office

Etna Township

Address (number and street)

81 Liberty Street

City

Etna

State

OH

Zip Code

43081-0188

County

Licking

Telephone number

740-927-7717

E-mail address

office@etnatownship.com

Name of public official who responded to records request (if no response made, state "None")

None

COMPLAINT

Please describe how access to public records was denied in violation of R.C. 149.43(B) (see codes.ohio.gov/orc/149.43). Attach additional sheets if necessary. Give the date of each request, and be specific as to what records have not been provided.

The denial was by way of being non-responsive. This request and a number of other requests that I made were discussed in public meetings, but the only response I received was an acknowledgement of receipt.

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS OR INFORMATION

Attach ☒ copy of original public records request, and ☒ copies of any and all written responses or other communications relating to the request from the public office. If the request and/or denial was verbal, provide a detailed description below of the verbal communication with the public office. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Signature

/s/ Jon Hanson

Date (mm/dd/year)

3/9/2025



Jon Hanson <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Public Records Request 9/17/2024-1

1 message

paperhawk@gmail.com <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Tue, Sep 17, 2024 at 10:07 PM

To: Gary Burkholder <gburkholder@etnatownship.com>, Mark Evans <mevans@etnatownship.com>, Rozland McKee <rmckee@etnatownship.com>

Cc: Jackie Cotugno <jcotugno@etnatownship.com>, office@etnatownship.com

Please provide a copy of audio and/or video recordings recorded since March 2024 of Trustee executive sessions including the recording discussed by Mark Evans on September 17, 2024.

Jon Hanson
614.866.4289



Jon Hanson <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Second Confirmation

1 message

Susan Bedsole <sbedsole@etnatownship.com>
To: "paperhawk@gmail.com" <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Thu, Jan 16, 2025 at 11:41 AM

Good morning:

I'm not certain what happened to my first confirmation, but I am again confirming we have received and are processing the attached requests.

Thanks.



 **Hanson Public Records Requests.pdf**
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Public Records Request

- **5/24/24** – Per the Ohio Public Records Act, please provide copies of the following records:
 1. Email messages, voicemail messages, text messages, Facebook messages, letters, or memoranda to or from any Trustee sent or received within the last 30 days related to zoning violations.
 2. Audio recording of the organizational meeting on the Board of Zoning Appeals held on May 22, 2024.
 3. Email messages, voicemail messages, text messages, Facebook messages, letters, or memoranda to or from any Trustee sent or received within the last 30 days related to M-1 zoning.
- **6/13/2024** - Please provide copies of outside legal counsel fees incurred by the Township between January 1, 2024 and June 13, 2024
- **6/13/2024 #2** - Please provide copies of email messages, text messages, Facebook messages, or correspondence wherein Mark Evans is a sender or recipient, and Rachel Zelazny is a sender or recipient between January 1, 2024 and June 13, 2024.
- **6/14/24** - Please provide copies of email messages, text messages, Facebook messages, or correspondence wherein Mark Evans is a sender or recipient, and Litichia McIntyre is a sender or recipient between March 1, 2024 and June 14, 2024.
- **6/30/24** – Per the Ohio Public Records Act, please provide copies of email messages to or from any Trustee sent or received within the last 30 days related to the agenda for meetings of the Board of Trustees.
- **9/17/2024-1** - Please provide a copy of audio and/or video recordings recorded since March 2024 of Trustee executive sessions including the recording discussed by Mark Evans on September 17, 2024.
- **9/17/2024-2** - Please provide a copy of the email from the Prosecutor's office that discussed the request of a resident for reimbursement for tire damage for which privilege was waived at the meeting on September 17, 2024
- **9/18/24** – Please provide copies of the video recordings made by Mark Evans of the Trustees' meetings held on August 6, 2024 and September 17, 2024 without

the additions and commentary added by Mr. Evans prior to posting to his YouTube account.

- **10/13/2024** - Please provide a copy of each email wherein Lance Schultz is a sender or recipient and any Trustee is a sender or recipient
- **10/19/2024** – Please provide a copy of each email wherein Mark Evans is a sender or recipient and Gary Burkholder is a sender or recipient sent or received since September 19, 2024. **11/4/24 – Clarification:** I am asking for "emails where they are the sender/recipient, but others may or may not also be included in the email." I also want "emails where they are only the recipient? (e.g., email sent by sbedsole@etnatownship.com to both Trustees)."
- **12/20/24** - Please provide a list of all public records that are pending without response.
- **12/20/24** - Please provide copies of text messages between Mark Evans and Steve Slyh between February 1, 2023, and November 30, 2023.



Jon Hanson <paperhawk@gmail.com>

RE: Public Records Request

1 message

Rozland McKee <rmckee@etnatownship.com>

Wed, Aug 14, 2024 at 12:24 PM

To: Mark Evans <mevans@etnatownship.com>, Office <etnatownship@etnatownship.com>, Fiscal Office <fiscal@etnatownship.com>

Cc: Gary Burkholder <gburkholder@etnatownship.com>, "paperhawk@gmail.com" <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Mark,

There was an email from the Prosecutor's office back in 2022. You are to provide any video that you recording while you are a Trustee; they are public records.

Please provide the video.

Rozland McKee-Flax

Board of Trustees

rmckee@etnatownship.com

81 Liberty Street

PO Box 188

Etna, OH 43018-0188

740-927-7717-O

740-814-9419-C

etnatownship.com

From: Mark Evans <mevans@etnatownship.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2024 10:20 AM
To: Office <etnatownship@etnatownship.com>; Fiscal Office <fiscal@etnatownship.com>
Cc: Gary Burkholder <gburkholder@etnatownship.com>; Rozland McKee <rmckee@etnatownship.com>
Subject: Re: Public Records Request

The response to PRR should be official follow the forms indicating the reason. My reply was simply a generic response which should be followed with the official response.

This includes properly tracking the request and response. I don't believe this have been done here.

Jackie as FO is the official respondent to PRR also.

Sincerely,

Mark Evans

Vice-President

Etna Township Board of Trustees

Committed to Serving Residents and Restoring Proper Administration to the Township

614.831.1600 Cell

mevans@etnatownship.com

81 Liberty Street

PO Box 188

Etna, OH 43018-0188

etnatownship.com

On Aug 14, 2024, at 10:08 AM, Office <etnatownship@etnatownship.com> wrote:

Thank you,

Holly Palumbo
Etna Township
81 Liberty Street
PO Box 188
Etna, OH 43018

From: Office <etnatownship@etnatownship.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2024 10:06 AM
To: paperhawk@gmail.com <paperhawk@gmail.com>
Subject: Fw: Public Records Request

Good morning,

Please see the below response to your public records request. Have a good day.

Thank you,

Holly Palumbo
Etna Township
81 Liberty Street
PO Box 188
Etna, OH 43018

From: Mark Evans <mevans@etnatownship.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2024 1:38 PM
To: Office <etnatownship@etnatownship.com>
Cc: Fiscal Office <fiscal@etnatownship.com>; Gary Burkholder <gburkholder@etnatownship.com>; Rozland McKee <rmckee@etnatownship.com>
Subject: Re: Public Records Request

That is not township sanctioned nor township records. That has been done privately by myself as a resident for over 5 years.

Sincerely,

Mark Evans

Vice-President

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PO Box 188

Etna, OH 43018-0188

etnatownship.com

On Aug 12, 2024, at 1:28 PM, Office <etnatownship@etnatownship.com> wrote:

Mark,

Do you have the video for this meeting?

Thank you,

Holly Palumbo

Etna Township

81 Liberty Street

PO Box 188

Etna, OH 43018

From: paperhawk@gmail.com <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, August 12, 2024 10:36 AM

To: Gary Burkholder <gburkholder@etnatownship.com>; Mark Evans <mevans@etnatownship.com>; Rozland

3/9/25, 4:08 PM

Gmail - RE: Public Records Request

McKee <rmckee@etnatownship.com>; Jackie Cotugno <jcotugno@etnatownship.com>; Office
<etnatownship@etnatownship.com>

Subject: Public Records Request

Please provide a copy of the video recording of the August 6, 2024 Board of Trustees meeting made by Trustee Mark Evans.

Thank you.

Jon G. Hanson

614.866.4289



Jon Hanson <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Fwd: Public Records Request 9/18/2024

1 message

paperhawk@gmail.com <paperhawk@gmail.com>
To: Susan Bedsole <sbedsole@etnatownship.com>

Fri, Nov 29, 2024 at 9:58 AM

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **paperhawk@gmail.com** <paperhawk@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Sep 18, 2024 at 2:55 PM

Subject: Public Records Request 9/18/2024

To: Gary Burkholder <gburkholder@etnatownship.com>, Mark Evans <mevans@etnatownship.com>, Rozland McKee <rmckee@etnatownship.com>

Cc: Jackie Cotugno <jcotugno@etnatownship.com>, <office@etnatownship.com>

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Thank you.

Jon Hanson
614.866.4289