

Minutes  
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, March 15, 2010

**Meeting called to order:** 7:09 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Trustee Lynda Bowers, Trustee Donald Butler, Trustee Nanci Shanley, Fiscal Officer Shirley Bailey.

L. Bowers - We have the minutes of January 19<sup>th</sup> , February 1<sup>st</sup> , and February 10<sup>th</sup>. Has everyone had an opportunity to review those?

N. Shanley – Yes.

L. Bowers – I know that there were some typographical changes sent in and Mrs. Turpin took care of those. Mr. Butler, you have any other amendments or corrections?

D. Butler – Ah, yes.

L. Bowers – Okay.

D. Butler – February 1<sup>st</sup>, if you would. Page 65, 4<sup>th</sup> line down, what's a thumb?

L. Bowers- A thumb is the, is the, it goes on the back hoe, it's the grabber.

D. Butler – Okay. I just asked. I didn't know what the...

L. Bowers – Did I say that right, Roy? It's the grabber. The thumb. They call it a thumb.

D. Butler – Page 28 if you would.

L. Bowers – Same minutes?

D. Butler – Same minutes. We got in a discussion of what FICA and Medicare would cost and we had everything from 6% to 20 ½ cents, and for the record it's 1.45% for Medicare and 6.2% for Social Security.

L. Bowers – 2.6?

D. Butler – 6.2.

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D. Butler – So it's 7.65. So on a \$20, for some reason it says twenty, it'd be 76 ½ cents on \$10.00. So for every \$10.00 we pay out we're paying 76 ½ cents to Uncle Sam.

N. Shanley – Is that a correction of the minutes or is that a correction of a misstatement?

D. Butler – That’s a correction of what’s in the minutes. The minutes do not have a...

N. Shanley – So there’s a misstatement.

L. Bowers – I understand...

D. Butler – Yeah.

L. Bowers – I understand that to be something that will be in this minutes, not a correction on those minutes.

D. Butler – My understanding is we can add it to the margin here as a corrected number.

L. Bowers – You can put that margin note in if Mrs. Bailey supports that, I mean if those numbers are correct.

N. Shanley – Well, I think we can request that.

S. Bailey – 1.45 I know is correct for the Medicare.

D. Butler – 6.2 for Social Security.

S. Bailey – Right.

N. Shanley – Yup, according to the IRS. I would like to request that that be a margin note and I do believe that that’s ours to request.

L. Bowers – I don’t think that’s a problem. Okay. Anything else?

D. Butler – Nope.

L. Bowers – Mrs. Shanley?

N. Shanley – No.

L. Bowers – Is there a motion to approve?

**N. Shanley – I move to approve January 19<sup>th</sup>, February 1<sup>st</sup>, and February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 meeting minutes.**

**L. Bowers – All in favor, aye?**

**N. Shanley – We have a second?**

**D. Butler – Aye.**

**L. Bowers – I'm sorry. I will second it.**

**N. Shanley – Okay.**

**L. Bowers – And opposed, same sign. Everyone voting yes?**

**N. Shanley – Yes.**

**D. Butler – I assume you seconded it, right?**

**L. Bowers – I did. I seconded it.** Thank you. Okay, we have a guest with us this evening. Adam Friedrich. Adam, you want to take five minutes?

N. Shanley – Trustee Bowers, I have a suggestion, just for the sake of Joy. Would it be, since this is not Township business, would it make sense to recess, let him speak.

L. Bowers – Part of the meeting, we can't really do that.

N. Shanley – Okay. Can I suggest in the future if we have a speaker like that we do it before we start? That's a lot of typing for Joy.

**L. Bowers – You could do that. We have verbatim minutes. Well actually, I could move that we suspend this part of the meeting as verbatim.**

N. Shanley – We could do that.

**L. Bowers – Seconded by Mr. Butler?** Now you don't have to do this part verbatim.

N. Shanley – Yup.

L. Bowers – All in favor, aye?

**D. Butler, N. Shanley, L. Bowers – Aye.**

L. Bowers – Okay. We're good.

Medina County Commissioner candidate Adam Friedrich spoke to the Board and those in attendance.

L. Bowers – Okay, we are back on verbatim. Financial Report. Mrs. Bailey.

**Financial Report –**

L. Bowers – Shirley, while you're pulling that out, I got, I think we all got a new copy of the resolution and the print out at our table today. Is that different than we got before?

S. Bailey – No.

L. Bowers - Okay, it's the same thing? Okay, thank you.

S. Bailey – Except for the appropriation status, that’s just the status for this year.

L. Bowers – Okay.

N. Shanley – So that’s different?

S. Bailey – Yes. Because what you were working with was last years, in order to set the appropriations, so the status for this year’s...

L. Bowers – This is our monthly report year to date that we get every meeting.

N. Shanley – Okay.

S. Bailey – Correct.

L. Bowers – I was asking her about the resolution, if it was different.

N. Shanley – Okay, again, to clarify. We have one dated 3/12 that was in our boxes and the one 3/15...

L. Bowers – Those are different reports.

S. Bailey – Different reports.

L. Bowers – One’s an appropriation status and the other one is the appropriation...

N. Shanley – Budget. Got it, thank you.

S. Bailey – The appropriation budget, that won’t change, that just shows what the budget was set for.

L. Bowers – That’s setting our permanent appropriations.

S. Bailey – Correct.

N. Shanley – So this relates to the resolution that you have for us tonight.

S. Bailey – Correct.

N. Shanley – Okay, thanks.

S. Bailey – Here’s the fund status for each of you. In the fund status for the checking balance, we have presently \$1,199,001.81. Our secondary balance is at \$12,747.17, leaving a balance, available balance of \$1,186,254.64. In our investment balance, we have \$1,334,147.86.

D. Butler – Shirley, have you seen fit, or are you going to move any money from STAR to Charter One’s account? STAR paying .03 and Charter One paying .20.

S. Bailey – I don't think Charter, well the one was .25, but that was...

D. Butler – No, they have a government municipal liquid fund that pays .20.

S. Bailey – As you said, I'm not sure about moving it. I know that you're saying...

(Crash of breaking chair in audience)

S. Bailey – You alright?

D. Figgers – We're good.

S. Bailey – I do not feel that we can go into Charter One because we do not have a regular depository contract set up.

D. Butler - I thought we did. We signed on that a couple years ago.

S. Bailey – No. As I had told you at that time, that was not what we do on a depository contract, so, until we have a standard one in place, I will not move the money because we can get in trouble.

L. Bowers – Why don't we go ahead and bid depository contracts out.

N. Shanley – Um-hum, yes, I like this.

D. Butler – Pardon?

L. Bowers – Let's go ahead and bid depository contracts if you, that's what you want to do, and it won't be an issue.

D. Butler – Yeah, might as well.

L. Bowers – Okay. Who will be responsible for taking care of that and making sure that the bids get done properly? There's paperwork that has to go to the Prosecutor's Office for approval, we have to get the applications from the lenders,...

S. Bailey – You have to advertise it first.

L. Bowers – And we have to advertise. Who wants to do that? Shirley, want to do that?

S. Bailey – I can.

L. Bowers – Okay. Then, Shirley will do that. Just so we know, it's Trustees' responsibility but you're offering to do it, so that's, that's helpful cause you're going to have to coordinate it anyway. But make sure you bring it back to us to approve those, okay?

S. Bailey – Okay.

L. Bowers – Thanks.

S. Bailey – And on the budget, I gather by the emails that you want to look that over some more before you go any further?

N. Shanley – Jeff, do you want to speak to that? This is pertaining to, you had stated you wanted to sit down with Shirley and go over what she found.

J. Hall – Correct. If at all possible, myself and Chief Winter would like to actually meet sometime, possibly Friday, to go over this. We were actually just trying to crunch some numbers and we're still not very clear. There's some differences on the budget and we can't find some money that was in there last year, essentially. I'm sure it might be there, we don't know, but we cannot figure, there's a difference from what we have...

S. Bailey – There's a difference because you've been spending from the million, you've cut it down. That, that money's come down plus your CDs have come down because of the spending.

J. Hall – Correct.

L. Bowers – Well, Shirley's in the office every day so why don't you guys get together and...

J. Hall – Friday is the only day that we can really do it if that's okay, so.

S. Bailey – Fine.

J. Hall – Maybe we can get this ironed out.

L. Bowers – Okay.

J. Hall – Thanks.

D. Butler – The only question I had is the line item Township Fiscal Officer Secretary, oh, I'm sorry, Township Fiscal Officer Assistant, I have \$4,000.00. I thought we agreed on \$3,000.00 per the minutes.

N. Shanley – Are you looking at the budget, Don?

D. Butler – Pardon?

N. Shanley – The budget?

S. Bailey – He's looking at the status.

N. Shanley – The appropriation budget, what document are you looking at?

D. Butler – The 3/15 report.

S. Bailey – The budget, okay.

N. Shanley – Okay.

S. Bailey – That, you can't go any lower than the \$4,000.00 because we've already spent wages for Joy in January and February.

N. Shanley – However, if we stated that we wanted the total appropriation of three, wouldn't that amount already spent come off of that three? I mean, what we approved in meeting, which is in the minutes that we just approved a total of \$3,000.00.

S. Bailey – Right, but you're already at, almost at that amount and I can't change that, I can't go below it. And if you get too close to the figure it won't change it either.

L. Bowers – The difficulty is putting appropriations in after expenditures, that's why it's always good to try to get your budget done before the beginning of the year.

N. Shanley – We've encumbered \$1,725.00. The amount, total, was \$3,000.00 and I would really like to see it go to three and if we need to revisit it we can. Right now Joy is being paid from a different line item anyway.

S. Bailey – She's going to be paid from that one, well, let's see, cause since you wanted the Administrative Assistant changed to the Township Secretary, that's your code, your cost code is 1005, 1005, and if I go with the Fiscal Officer, where it was Assistant, if you look down where Fiscal Officer's at for Assistant, it shows Township Secretary because that code has been changed to Township Secretary.

N. Shanley – Right.

S. Bailey – So we have to go to the 1006 for Assistant.

N. Shanley – Are we paying Joy out of the 1005 Township Secretary line item?

S. Bailey – We will be. In fact, she has her first check has come out of there.

N. Shanley – Okay. So back to my point, we're not going to be using the other line item that is currently has an encumbered amount of \$1,725.00. So I would propose that we go back to our total appropriation for that line item, to the \$3,000.00 that we approved in meeting that's in the minutes, since Joy is really being paid from a different line anyway.

L. Bowers – I actually think we moved four, and why wouldn't we be using that? Because Shirley's still using some of it, I mean the minutes are still being paid out of there. And I got to tell you the minutes are taking significantly longer than \$3,000.00s gonna cover for the year.

N. Shanley – I think, Shirley just told us she's paying Joy out of the other line item.

S. Bailey – Right.

N. Shanley – And it is in the job description that we approved for her to do the minutes in that job description and in the minutes we did approve three, not four.

L. Bowers – I thought we did four as well.

S. Bailey – You did approve three, but I couldn't put in three.

L. Bowers – Is that what it was?

S. Bailey – Because the unencumbered is \$2,275.00, it wouldn't go to three.

N. Shanley – If you...

L. Bowers – I don't understand why. I mean, we had that, you know I remember now, we had that conversation...

N. Shanley – We had that discussion Wednesday.

L. Bowers – Yeah, and I don't understand why.

N. Shanley – Well, what you would put in that line is the difference between the two so that your total appropriation for the year is \$3,000.00.

S. Bailey – Right.

N. Shanley – So if you know that we've encumbered \$1,725.00 and our total appropriation is three...

L. Bowers – Unfortunately, we tried that and it wouldn't do that.

N. Shanley – It did on Wednesday.

L. Bowers – Cause it wipes it out.

N. Shanley – We did. We did on one of them on Wednesday and it worked.

S. Bailey – Not when it's this close.

L. Bowers – See if you can, see if you can work with UAN and figure it out.

N. Shanley – Yeah, cause otherwise we need to go back and amend. The minutes do reflect \$3,000.00.

L. Bowers – Yeah. See if you can, there's got to be a way we can override. I know you're going to get flagged and I know UANs gonna call and they're gonna ask all sorts of questions, but try the override anyway.

N. Shanley – Again, when I was there Wednesday when all of this was going on, you did try, I don't remember the other line item you tried it, you tried it that other way it did let you.

L. Bowers – Actually, what we did was we went in and pulled the encumbrances out and I can assure you, Mrs. Bailey, we will not be doing the budget after expenditures next year. We'll be doing it at the end of the year, so hopefully won't have that problem again. Sorry.

S. Bailey – That's okay.

L. Bowers – See what we can do. It was really quite hectic for her to try to figure this all out. Requisitions?

S. Bailey – So we're through with the budget then, right?

N. Shanley – We're tabling the resolution then until we can approve the budget, right?

L. Bowers – We don't have to table it, we haven't read it. We're just not going to do it.

N. Shanley – Okay.

L. Bowers – I understand you want to do that in a Special Meeting, correct?

N. Shanley – Well I think Jeff and Brad have requested the opportunity to go over it before we make that a final thing.

S. Bailey – The figures that are on the budget for the Fire Department though, are the figures that they gave me.

L. Bowers – When Shirley ended up having, Shirley called me on another matter and during the course of that conversation I asked her how the input was going and she indicated that she was having some difficulty because the total in Fire was coming up significantly higher than what was on those worksheets, although she thought the numbers were correct. So I told her I'd stop down and I read the numbers off of her sheet and off of my sheet while she checked them against her entries, and her entries were all accurate, it's just the addition on the worksheets had been wrong. And when we get into Fire I'll probably make some comments on that.

S. Bailey – Well, also, in order to keep the budget for Fire under the certificate, or close to it, I reduced your Capital Outlay.

N. Shanley – Right. That's always the difference.

L. Bowers – Right. We discussed that.

N. Shanley – Right.

S. Bailey – So your Capital Outlay is way down.

N. Shanley – Yup. I think everybody understands, but thank you.

S. Bailey – Okay.

N. Shanley – Thank you.

**Requisitions -**

S. Bailey – On the requisitions, Jeff has given me from the Fire Department, two more. These are for EAB Truck Service. They're work that's going to be done on 108-1. Electrical repairs on both of them.

N. Shanley – Jeff or Brad, can you tell us anything about that, elaborate on it at all, please?

J. Hall – As far as truck 108-1, that is done and, knock on wood, operating properly, so hopefully they found the problem that was causing everything to shut down and that's what those are for so that truck should be done.

N. Shanley – That's the rescue?

J. Hall – Correct. Rescue.

N. Shanley – Heavy rescue?

J. Hall – Yes.

N. Shanley – Okay.

S. Bailey – The one requisition is for \$658.81 the other is for \$1,244.88.

N. Shanley – And they're both for the squad?

S. Bailey – Right.

N. Shanley – I'm sorry, for the rescue truck.

S. Bailey – For the heavy rescue.

N. Shanley – Right.

S. Bailey – And then, ...

N. Shanley – So that amends, what's the total of those?

D. Butler – Shirley, if I can for clarity, our million dollar fire station budget, for lack of a better way of describing it, we're down to three eighty-seven, is that what you're saying here?

S. Bailey – That's correct.

D. Butler – It's, yeah, three eighty-seven, okay. Everybody keeps thinking we have a million dollars to do something and ...

S. Bailey – That million dollars that was set aside is no longer there.

D. Butler – Yeah. We're down to three hundred eighty-seven.

S. Bailey – Let's see here. We have for the Service Department several different items, but it comes to a total of \$2,819.40. Just mainly for tools or equipment, whatever, repairs, cold patch, gloves. For the Administrative Office, we have a total of \$260.76. For Fire and Rescue, we did have a total of \$6,964.37 but now we have the two additions to go to that. You have that figured up?

N. Shanley – I'm double checking my math. The new...

S. Bailey – Getting it?

N. Shanley – Yeah, the new total is \$11,948.22.

S. Bailey – Okay. Which would give us, that, that's for the Fire, right? Fire and Rescue?

N. Shanley – No, that's the grand total.

S. Bailey – That's the grand total?

N. Shanley – Um-hum.

S. Bailey – Okay. What's the total then for Fire and Rescue? Did you...?

N. Shanley – Didn't do it that way.

S. Bailey – Okay.

D. Butler – No, that's not, that has...

S. Bailey – Cause you're...

N. Shanley – I'll do it right now.

S. Bailey – Okay.

N. Shanley - \$8,868.06.

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N. Shanley – Um-hum.

S. Bailey - Okay, and we give a grand total of \$11,948.22. Thanks. And that's all for Finances.

L. Bowers – Someone want to make a motion on the requisitions?

**N. Shanley – I move to approve the requisitions as amended.**

**D. Butler – Second.**

**L. Bowers – Moved by Mrs. Shanley, seconded by Mr. Butler. All in favor, aye?**

**D. Butler, L. Bowers, N. Shanley – Aye.**

L. Bowers – And opposed, same sign.

N. Shanley – I think you're getting feedback.

L. Bowers – Am I getting back feedback out there?

N. Shanley – Getting here.

L. Bowers – Sorry. Well, they said its okay over there. While we're here, why don't we go ahead and set that special meeting then to do the appropriations. If we would set it for next Wednesday during the day, is that your preference, Nanci? That's, Wednesday's a day off for you, right?

N. Shanley – Yup, I can be here Wednesday.

L. Bowers – Wednesday work for you, Don?

D. Butler – I'll tell you in a second. Most likely.

N. Shanley – It's not a day off, but I have a lot more flexibility to move things around, so.

D. Butler – 24<sup>th</sup>?

N. Shanley – Yup.

L. Bowers – How about 1:00?

N. Shanley – Perfect.

L. Bowers – That work for you, Don? Okay...

D. Butler – Yes.

L. Bowers – That will be a Special Meeting for the purpose of finalizing the resolution for appropriations and having a meeting with the Sheriff regarding the police, community policing contract and also the lease agreement for the Peterbilt if we need to change anything.

N. Shanley – Could we also ask for Bill Thorne to attend?

L. Bowers – Bill Thorne has to attend with the Sheriff because the, I think the language that's in question is the language that Bill Thorne requires, I suspect, although I'm not sure of that. Okay, then I'll go ahead and get those notices out.

**Department Reports:**

**Service –**

L. Bowers - Department Reports – Service – Mr. Butler.

D. Butler – Sir David, you want to cover the roads?

D. Figgers – We're good. (laughter)

D. Butler – You can cover them with about 17 ½ gallons of...

D. Figgers – Mostly what we've been trying to do is keep the snow off the roads and fix the plows and so far we're doing half way decent. We've had, seems like the bad storms are coming on the weekends. We've managed to pretty much make everybody happy. If they're not happy, as the guy had a problem on Overlook the other day and I called you on it, he came back and actually said, we went back down there, and said did a nice job. So he's, he's happy. Some of the other residents have expressed their, the way things are starting to change a little bit. The only other thing that I have is we want to, somewhere down the road here tonight, get this, be able to put the bids out, or...the...

N. Shanley – Request for bids?

D. Figgers – There ya go. Request for bids for the roads in Chippewa. We've had the engineers out, they gave us a preliminary estimate, it'll be all the small roads down there and the one road they haven't done and I'll get them to touch on that, will be our half of Eastlake, which goes from the tracks west to Lake Road.

D. Butler – Are all the proposals here or is there still what, five of them?

D. Figgers – Yes.

D. Butler – Okay.

D. Figgers – They're all, except for Eastlake. They, I asked them to do Eastlake and he skipped it so I'm gonna get him back out here and they'll do Eastlake. Right now we're at, I think, \$58,000.00. Eastlake will come in, we're gonna...

L. Bowers – Do you want us to include Eastlake in the bid proposal?

D. Figgers – Yes.

L. Bowers – Okay. Eastlake would be north side Ryan to the tracks or does it go all the way through?

D. Figgers – I thought, well,

S. Bailey – You just...

D. Figgers - I did just say that. From the tracks...

N. Shanley – The tracks...to Ryan road. To Lake Road?

D. Figgers – I'm gonna stop coming up here. From the tracks west to Lake Road.

L. Bowers – But not the rest of the way to Ryan?

D. Figgers – That's Westfield's.

L. Bowers – On both sides?

D. Figgers – That's the way we've been doing it. Westfield takes both sides.

L. Bowers – That's the way you've been doing it, but that's ours.

N. Shanley – Technically, that's ours though, right?

D. Figgers – Roy, is that ours? No.

S. Bailey – No.

N. Shanley – Okay.

R. Delaney – Actually, what it is, we split the road down the center. But it's lots easier, instead of them doing one side and we do the other, we ...

N. Shanley – So that's just an arrangement, but technically the line is in the center of the road dividing north...

R. Delaney – Correct.

N. Shanley – Okay. But the arrangement for maintenance is different.

R. Delaney – Yes.

N. Shanley – Okay.

R. Delaney – And actually, we got the smaller part.

D. Figgers – We got the better end of the deal. They've already paved our north side.

L. Bowers – Okay. Don, have you chosen a publication date and a bid opening date?

D. Figgers – No.

D. Butler – No.

L. Bowers – Well, let's do it then. We can't, we can't approve letting bids without including that information. The Engineer's Office will have to write the bid specs, Prosecutor's Office has to approve them before they go out.

N. Shanley – Is a week enough time for them?

L. Bowers – I doubt it.

D. Figgers – No.

N. Shanley – Two weeks?

L. Bowers – I would say publication the first two weeks in April and bid opening the third week, will that work? And the third week would be our meeting and we could have the bid opening at our meeting.

D. Figgers – That'd work.

L. Bowers – That'll work? Okay. Does someone want to make the motion?

**N. Shanley – I'll move.**

**D. Butler – Second.**

**L. Bowers – Mrs. Shanley moves to send out to bid Overlook Drive, Walnut Drive, Hunter Drive, Chestnut Grove allotment, and Lion's Park Drive private street, we can send it out to bid, we're going to have to talk about that, and Eastlake...**

**N. Shanley – Eastlake.**

**L. Bowers – consistent with Medina County Engineer preliminary estimates received and publication will be the first two weeks in April as required by the statutes and bid opening will be Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m.**

D. Figgers – The one other thing I'd like to...

**L. Bowers – All in favor, aye?**

**N. Shanley, L. Bowers, D. Butler – Aye.**

N. Shanley – Should we specify Eastlake east of, or west of the tracks?

L. Bowers – Probably be a good idea.

N. Shanley – Um-hum.

L. Bowers – That was Nanci’s motion and that was your second, right, Don?

N. Shanley – Yup.

**L. Bowers – Eastlake west of the tracks.**

N. Shanley – Yes.

L. Bowers – Okay.

D. Figgers – One other thing I’d like to address and we had a conversation with Don in our office about six weeks ago, had another, then we had the Trustee meeting, the last Trustee meeting which we weren’t here for, there was something brought up on the health care on the prescription costs. It was, whether we were led to believe or we believed or we didn’t go into a whole bunch of discussion in our office, the \$2,000.00 on the prescription costs that the, the employees would get reimbursed for, when it hit the meeting it was thrown out at \$1,000.00 and \$1,000.00. I’d like for the Board to discuss that some more and possibly get that changed where, the only ones it affects are Roy and myself, to get, instead of, to get the second thousand dollars picked up if we ever get there. We may not get there, if we do why can’t, why can’t the Township pick it up, it’s, we’ve got plenty of money. And I understand health care is expensive and times are tough, but we’re, our department’s sitting on a lot of money and I don’t see why it, it hurts the employees, the two of us more than it...

L. Bowers – Don?

D. Butler – Well, for the record, when we talked about, I said I would address that \$2,000.00 prescription deductible. I never said we would do away with it, I said we would address it. At the meeting, last meeting, I threw out a thousand ...

D. Figgers – Thousand dollars, that’s what, yes.

D. Butler – And there was no discussion, anything else, we accepted it, so.

D. Figgers – That’s what, that’s exactly what you said to us in the office, yes.

L. Bowers – So you want to leave it that way or you want to change your recommendation?

D. Butler – Up to the Board.

L. Bowers – Well, you’re the liaison, you had the discussion, what’s your recommendation?

N. Shanley – Before I would vote, I would ask, I don’t, I would like to have a better grasp than what I have of what your total out of pocket is right now. Not just for prescription but how much are you contributing to your health care premium, because I’d like to compare it to

D. Butler – Right now, I can answer that, it’s \$4,600.00.

D. Figgers – No, no, no. \$3,600.00 now. If you, if you people pick up...

D. Butler – Okay, \$3,600.00 with that thousand in there, yes.

N. Shanley – It's \$3,600.00 per each of you?

S. Bailey – Right.

D. Figgers – Per year.

D. Butler – Yes.

N. Shanley – Okay, that's combining your contribution toward your...

D. Figgers – Yes.

N. Shanley – Premium and all your...

D. Figgers – It's \$50.00 a month

N. Shanley – Deductibles – okay.

L. Bowers – This would take it to \$2,600.00 if we did the, the difficulty as I see it is the prescription coverage was always 100% and then our policy changed at the first of the year which meant in addition to \$2,600.00 the employees now have an exposure of \$4,600.00.

N. Shanley – Okay.

L. Bowers – Correct?

D. Figgers – We did up until...

L. Bowers – And then when we did the thousand at the last meeting we backed that down to an exposure of \$3,600.00.

D. Figgers – Right now, the way it works is, we've got \$3,000.00, the first \$3,000.00 the Township picks up, the next \$2,000.00 the employees pick up, that's what we call the bridge, once you get over the bridge, then that prescription will kick in. The Township's going to reimburse the employees the next thousand. The second thousand, the way it is right now, the employees will pick up and then we have \$50.00 that comes out, is it the last check of the month, Shirley?

S. Bailey – Yes.

D. Figgers – \$50.00 contribution.

L. Bowers – And using the bridge actually brought our premiums down lower than it costs us to pay that bridge, so we actually saved money by paying the bridge.

N. Shanley – This is going to be a tough thing for me to say because I know you personally and I want to do the best thing for you, but I'm comparing this to what I know federal rates to be. Okay, for federal employees, because I happen to be effected by that. We had a fabulous plan here that you had 100% coverage, it's unheard of. Right now, I can tell you, and I'd be happy if we table it, I can bring it into our next meeting if you like, a federal employee, it doesn't matter whether it's a secretary earning \$15.00 an hour, or a supervisor, or whatever, are paying between \$120 and \$250 per pay period, which is bi-weekly, just for their contribution to their premium. And, they have deductibles as well. What I'm trying to reconcile in my mind is doing the right thing by you guys but keeping it within what's realistic out there right now. And we're coming from having a super plan for you guys to try to, you know.

D. Figgers – I understand that, Nanci, but it, when you say federal employees, then that kicks my thinking into what does a federal employee make against what Roy and I make. And I know...

N. Shanley – Well, again, and I can tell you a security assistant is making anywhere between \$12 and \$15 an hour and that's what they're paying if they have a family. Again, what I'm trying to do is find a medium that is consistent with what's out in the real world versus what we've had, which has been fabulous.

D. Figgers – I under...

N. Shanley – That's fair to you guys.

D. Figgers – I understand that.

L. Bowers – Dave, I'm going to make a recommendation.

D. Figgers – Wait, wait, let me, one more comment.

L. Bowers – Okay.

D. Figgers – Same, same thinking, let's compare us to Chatham. Let's compare us to Guilford. Let's compare us to Westfield. Plus you've also got in the mix, and due to HIPA, that's fine, but you've also got people in the system that aren't in the Service Department. So you don't know where the, the highs and the lows are – it might be me, it might be Roy, it might not be.

N. Shanley – Right.

D. Figgers – And that's fine, we all deserve health care in this country and I'm, I'm all for it. I just don't want it when we're making the amount of money we are, it seems like, it's a pretty good burden and when you, when you also say like, a year ago you said, well, you were going to be coming off of it, health care, and we would get a substantial savings. My daughter come off of it while I've been employed here, my other daughter's coming off in December. That's got to be a substantial savings. You, you don't hear about it unless I put it out there, so am I doing what I can, yes, and I'm, I'm trying to be up front about it too.

L. Bowers – I'm going to make a suggestion because I don't think anybody's going to reach their bridge by our next meeting, so why don't we put it on the agenda for the next meeting and Nanci, I understand what your concern and consideration is and I'm going to ask while you're considering that that you also consider this – health care is one of the benefits that we provide our employees and we are providing that absent them having had a raise for three years running. Our Service Department, I'm sorry, but, probably not going to get one this year either, and also the fact that if you compare them to our peer Townships, and truly our peer Townships, I'm not talking Montville and Hinckley that have you know, much larger departments than us, but our peer Townships, our employees are at the very low end of the scale, on the pay scale, so, just something else to consider. Does that work for the Board?

D. Butler – Unless Nanci has a problem, I don't have a problem. What I said last meeting, this is beyond their control. This is something that Anthem did unilaterally with all groups, the major companies this year, they decided they need to put a \$2,000.00 prescription deductible in every one of their plans. So it goes beyond just raising rates, it came down to the employee. I don't have a problem with considering the other thousand.

L. Bowers – I don't either and I can't require you to do this but I'll put it out there and hope you will too. If we do it with the Trustees that are on the plan not getting that same benefit, which requires us to waive it.

D. Butler – Well, we established that last meeting.

L. Bowers – Well, we got to do it again if it's an additional amount.

D. Butler – Well, absolutely.

L. Bowers – Yeah, me too. Well then, you want to make a motion? Sorry, Nanc.

N. Shanley – That's okay. I mean, I'm really very torn. I'm not, I'm not trying to be difficult about it.

L. Bowers – You want to make a motion?

**D. Butler – Yeah, I'll move that we cover the second \$2,000.00 prescription deductible for the...**

**L. Bowers – How about the total \$2,000.00, the second \$1,000.00, not the second \$2,000.00.**

**D. Butler – Well, the second \$1,000.00.**

L. Bowers – Okay, thank you.

**D. Butler – For the prescription deductible.**

N. Shanley – For a total of.

**D. Butler – For the Service Department only.**

N. Shanley - So that's a total of \$2,000.00, we're adding \$1,000.00 for a total of \$2,000.00 per employee, correct?

L. Bowers – For the prescription coverage.

N. Shanley – For the prescription coverage.

**L. Bowers – And I will second.**

D. Butler – We have a thousand now, we're adding a thousand today.

**L. Bowers – I will second the motion that effective immediately, the Township will increase the bridge to cover the entire \$2,000.00 of the prescription bridge.**

D. Figgers – Thank you.

**L. Bowers – All in favor, aye?**

**L. Bowers, D. Butler, N. Shanley – Aye.**

L. Bowers – And opposed, same sign. It's unanimous. And on the record, I'm on the Township insurance and I waive the same treatment. Mr. Butler, on the record.

N. Shanley – Don, are you opting out?

L. Bowers – I opt out.

D. Butler – We're on the record for that already.

L. Bowers – Don opts out. Okay. Then that's done. And we've done our road bids. We have a request from Mr. Delaney to carry forward five days of unused vacation. Any objection to that?

N. Shanley – No.

D. Butler – No.

L. Bowers – Then by consensus, Mr. Delaney, you're vacation is moved. You're welcome. **Dave, I wanted to ask you for flags for the cemeteries for Memorial Day and Veteran's Day, do you have enough for the small flags, cause I've got a, I've got a book from American Flags. We can get a gross, 144, for \$44.00 if we need them.**

D. Figgers – That's probably a good idea.

L. Bowers – How many do we need?

D. Figgers – A gross would work.

L. Bowers – A gross would work? Okay. Will the Board approve that?

D. Figgers – Prices ain't gonna go down, I suppose.

L. Bowers – I'm sorry?

D. Figgers – I said prices aren't gonna go down, I suppose, so we might as well...

L. Bowers – No, but its American Flag, where we got our last flags and they're \$44.00 a gross. Will the Board approve that?

D. Butler – We do that every year? Put the flags up?

L. Bowers – We put the flags up every year, we don't have to replace them every year. But I know last year we borrowed a bunch of flags from Westfield, so, and I'm not so sure we ever, we didn't have to replace those cause they were pretty bad flags, so I kind of figured we needed them.

**N. Shanley – Do we have a motion or are you asking for a motion?**

**L. Bowers – We can do it by consensus and Shirley can put it on the next requisition. Dave can go ahead and take care of it.**

**N. Shanley – I'll second it.**

**L. Bowers – Okay. All in favor, aye?**

**D. Butler, N. Shanley, L. Bowers – Aye.**

L. Bowers – One gross of flags coming up. Okay, that's it for Service, Don?

D. Butler – That's it.

L. Bowers – Okay.

**Lease Agreement –**

D. Butler – The other item here was the...

L. Bowers – Lease.

D. Butler – Lease agreement and just received a copy of one at 4:38 today, so I will take it over to Mr. Thorne first thing in the morning.

N. Shanley – Are we going to take a look at that now or later?

L. Bowers – Um, you know, you know what I would recommend just for expediency? Mr. Thorne has the ability to talk to each one of us individually if there's a problem with it. We have a difficulty where a lease agreement on one of the trucks doesn't have adequate language

in it and we need to clean that up real fast. So, if the Board is comfortable with approving just an agreement with that company subject to Mr. Thorne's approval, I think we can do that and then Bill can make whatever changes are necessary. Are you comfortable with that?

N. Shanley – Yes.

L. Bowers – And that would also give us the time to look at it and if we have any questions we can raise it before we actually sign off.

D. Butler – Just for the record, that the company is putting pressure on, they wanted to have a conference call tomorrow but because we just got the lease this late they're willing to put it off for a day or two, but they want to know where we stand and I'm comfortable talking to them about what we're doing.

N. Shanley – Can I keep this copy? I've marked it up. The language we need to strike is all over this contract.

L. Bowers – Um-hum.

N. Shanley – All over it.

L. Bowers – And you can get a copy into my mailbox by tomorrow afternoon.

D. Butler – You have one.

L. Bowers – No, but then you don't have one.

D. Butler – I'll print another one out.

L. Bowers – Oh. Okay.

D. Butler – It's on my email.

L. Bowers – Good. Then we all have one. And Shirley, I'll get you a copy of mine for public record. Okay?

S. Bailey – Okay.

L. Bowers – You want to go ahead and make a motion then, Don?

**D. Butler – I move that we approve the contract subject to the Prosecutor looking at it for finalization with the 2010 Snowplow Lease.**

**N. Shanley – I'll second.** That's a 2009, I think. They've got..

D. Butler – 2009.

N. Shanley – a 2009 date on it, but I don't know how you can backdate it.

S. Bailey – It's a 2010 truck.

**L. Bowers – Mr. Butler makes a motion, seconded by Mrs. Shanley to enter into a lease agreement with TCF Equipment Finance subject to approval by the Township's legal counsel and review and ratification to him by the Board members. All in favor, aye.**

**N. Shanley, D. Butler, L. Bowers – Aye.**

L. Bowers – And opposed, same sign. Takes care of that.

**Fire –**

L. Bowers – Fire. Nanci.

N. Shanley – All I have is a resolution authorizing Chief Hall to, well, by way of background, there is a conference coming up and at this conference we have the ability to purchase air packs and spare tanks at a significantly lower cost than we might normally and we consulted with the Prosecutor's Office and he feels the way to do this is to **pass a resolution authorizing him to enter into contract for the purchase of six Scott air packs including a spare cylinder for each pack for a total not to exceed \$30,000.00 including shipping. So this resolution is enabling Chief Hall to enter into contract during the conference for the purchase of those air packs and the spares at that figure. And I will make that motion.**

**L. Bowers – And I will second.** I will also note that air packs fall under the category of equipment where the bid requirements is \$50,000.00 not at twenty-five, so we don't have to bid that.

N. Shanley – And that will be **resolution 12-2010**, since the other one didn't go.

L. Bowers – All in favor, aye?

**D. Butler, L. Bowers, N. Shanley – Aye.**

L. Bowers – And opposed, same sign.

S. Bailey – Are you talking, cause the other resolution...

N. Shanley – We didn't pass it, so this would have to be twelve.

L. Bowers – We'll just renumber it.

N. Shanley – We'll just renumber the other one.

S. Bailey – Okay.

N. Shanley – That's why Bill had said to not number until we get to meeting since this happens and you can't go back and forth.

L. Bowers – It's no big deal to change that.

N. Shanley – Yeah.

S. Bailey – You can go back, cause...

L. Bowers – Yeah, actually you can, but...

N. Shanley – Well, that's what his recommendation was to us last year in writing.

L. Bowers – Anything else in Fire, Nanci?

N. Shanley – That's all I have unless, Jeff, you'd like to do a report?

J. Hall – For the month of February, for calls, we ran 41 calls total, 32 of those being EMS and 9 being fire. Couple of other things that I had, I wanted to thank the Board for their consideration as far as holding off on the appropriations until we truly understand. There might be some, more than likely it's probably some confusion on our part that long as we can clear it up, that's very much appreciated so thank you again for holding off on that. Trustee Shanley, per your request as far as 107-2, we can tell you it's an injector problem at this time. We did narrow it down to probably about the, probably the first five minutes of operation of the vehicle, when it's cold, so that's what, there's a diesel service currently working on that injector and trying to keep the cost down as Jeff Park said. As far as I know, Chief Winter has been dealing with them and that still stands at this time. He just has not heard anything as of today, so.

N. Shanley – Do we have any idea where we are on that at this point financially?

J. Hall – I'll let Chief Winter talk about that.

L. Bowers – While Brad's coming up, Shirley, can you make sure Jeff gets a certified copy of that resolution to take with him and also an authorization letter to go with it of some sort, because actually you have to enter into the contract, but we're authorizing him, so you'll have to do a letter for him.

S. Bailey – Okay, but who's going to certify it?

L. Bowers – You can certify the resolution.

N. Shanley – Um-hum.

S. Bailey – I, well, I thought you wanted a, okay, never mind.

L. Bowers – It's new, I know that. We've not done this before, we'll talk.

S. Bailey – Well, I know that's, I know what certification you're talking about.

L. Bowers – Right, exactly.

S. Bailey – I was thinking of something else.

L. Bowers – Certifying the funds, I know. You're going to have to do that too, which means, Jeff, when you purchase you're going to have to make a phone call.

N. Shanley – Yeah, according to Bill,

L. Bowers – Make sure we can cover that.

N. Shanley - a certified copy of the resolution should be provided to the Chief so that you can enter into that.

L. Bowers – But before he actually signs it, he's got to call Shirley and she's got to, there's a process but, Shirley will work that out with you.

B. Winter – So far we're right about eight hours of labor only, on the injector pump.

N. Shanley – What's your shop hour rate, I'm just curious?

B. Winter – I would have to say right around \$1,000.00 total.

N. Shanley – Okay, okay.

J. Hall – Two other notes that I just wanted to mention to the Board, that we finally got the rest of the policy manual back from Brian Richter. Lynda, I had added all the things that you had forwarded to me as far as the Township's, the travel policy and such.

L. Bowers – And those were okay with him?

J. Hall – That is not, I just added those. So by the next meeting I'd actually like to have a sheet where he can sign off it and as well the Board of Trustees, so that's been a six, seven year project that's finally completed, so we've made all the recommended changes from the Prosecutor's Office, so by the next meeting you should be seeing that. The next thing, the last thing I had is, I just want to bring to the Board's attention, 2013, the County is switching to narrow banding on their radios and essentially, from my understanding and still learning a lot about it, narrow banding is essentially they cram a lot more channels into a narrow radio field which will require a lot of departments to go out and purchase brand new radios, brand new pagers, etcetera. I am happy to report that since we have been slowly replacing pagers, radios, we're going to be effected minimally as far as the radios go. We might have to buy possibly three mobile radios and the mobile radio is the one that goes in the truck. Other than that, all our pagers, except for one, and probably 90% of our portable radios, which are the hand held ones, are able to be reprogrammed, so...

N. Shanley – Good.

J. Hall – Thankfully, I just wanted to pass that on, that we're not going to have to take that on by the end of 2012.

N. Shanley - Great.

J. Hall – Some good news.

N. Shanley – Have we gotten the pagers back that we were going to get back to return?

J. Hall – Yes, the...

N. Shanley – Okay.

J. Hall – The warranty work, and...that we...oh...I'm sorry.

N. Shanley – No, the pagers that we were phasing out.

J. Hall – No. Lieutenant Kyle is working on retrieving those and I believe there's six of them, so...

N. Shanley – Okay.

J. Hall – He is retrieving those.

N. Shanley – Okay.

J. Hall – Thank you.

L. Bowers – Thanks. I'll go ahead and move the SOPs out of the action items in progress and bring them up to the agenda for the April meeting then. Anything else that you have for Fire, Nanci?

N. Shanley – No.

L. Bowers – Well, I do have something, and I'm going to apologize to Brad and Jeff before I say this, cause this isn't personal guys. It's just not. I was kind of hoping that this would come up in discussion when we were doing the budget for Fire and it didn't and I've thought long and hard about how to approach it. Brad was around when I was first elected and when I was first elected the Fire Department was in pretty bad condition equipment wise and so on and so forth and we very quickly replaced some ambulances. Even though it takes two Trustees to do anything, I was probably one of the people pushing hardest on that, initiating that, it was almost political suicide when we got the heavy rescue, you might remember that Brad, but it needed to happen, I was the Trustee that initiated that, that was a piece of equipment that our Township needed for the safety of our residents. I pushed to replace the grass truck. I was one of the Trustees who first pushed for our first set of 12 leads. And my point in telling you all of this is there's some history that probably needs to be appreciated for where I'm going to go. Because I've been an extremely strong supporter of the Fire Department and all the equipment they need and the things that we need to take care of our residents, but a year ago I warned this Board to be very careful about our spending and watching what's going out and watching what's coming in because the time to address a financial crisis is not when it's on us but when you can see it coming. And we could see it coming last year. I addressed it again during, the Firemen hosted

a candidate's night and I explained then what the financial issues were. Brad, Jeff, you've heard me say this before about finances, and I was right on spot with what was going to happen to that money. In 2008, we made some big expense items that we needed, it was, you know, the cycle, I've been in office long enough the cycle was there, we had to replace some equipment again. In 2009, we made more, and I understood that and I knew that needed to happen. But in 2010, I'm seeing a budget that's over 300% higher than our budget was four years ago. That's huge. Our budget went up over 100% last year. Even if I take out the Sutphen truck, which was \$363,000.00, and I go back and look at the other budgets and pull out those big purchases, if we stay on track with what was proposed in those appropriations right now, there will be no full year carryover going into 2011. No full year carryover going into 2011. That's, we can't do that. We, we looked at last year, and I was one of the ones who pushed hard for that too, I talked about we needed to have another revenue stream, and I would not support going for taxes cause I thought that we could do it without that and that revenue stream was the soft-billing, we did that. The income that we will have for 2009 is approximately \$450,000.00. We've been very fortunate in our Township that our valuation has gone up. We've still had new construction coming on stream. We're not going to have that next year. Our, probably our income for 2011 is going to be flat. It shouldn't, I don't expect it to really go down, but I don't expect it to go up either. But when we're only bring in approximately \$450,000.00, and we're spending anywhere from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000, you can only do that so long before you're in trouble and I'm telling you that 2011 is where the rubber is going to come off the road. And we can have the best equipment in the world but if we don't have money to pay our people to run those and to staff and so on and so forth, that's not serving our residents. That soft-billing money could be anywhere from a hundred to a hundred and fifty thousand. It needs to go into that revenue stream and it needs to not be earmarked for more purchases. I mean, that's just something that we've got to watch and we've got to look at some other things and I'm thinking, you know, critical purchases only, safety issues only, we've got to monitor that more quickly because if we don't do that this year, next year it's too late and we've got to be looking at it, so just food for thought everybody. Sorry.

N. Shanley – I agree with Lynda's concerns. I will say that at the April meeting I'm going to be inviting someone to come and speak from a grant company that some of our surrounding Townships have had excellent success with and maybe that's something...

L. Bowers – Absolutely.

N. Shanley - we should start exploring is professional pursuing grants for us.

L. Bowers – Yeah, at some point we got to say it guys, and it's, and I know you're not going crazy, but we just, some things are going to have to sacrifice until, until we can be sure that we're going to be okay.

**Police –**

L. Bowers – Okay, Police. Supplemental law enforcement agreement – we're going to have a special meeting with Bill and Neil, hopefully on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>, I should be able to firm that up tomorrow. Currently, we are still operating under our old contract. The three officers that are assigned are Dave King, Doug Klinage, and Bill Harrell, and they've been working in the place of Deputy Rohrer, Deputy Covey, and Deputy Clark. I think some of you may have

read that Deputy Clark and Deputy Covey took a position with Lodi. It's not a full time position actually, they're volunteer auxiliaries, which they could have done the part-time hours here as well but their feeling was that they would have a better chance of getting on full time in that department before they'll get a call up back at the Sheriff's Department. I will tell you that I've checked, and they have checked, and they are subject to call back at the Sheriff's Department. So if those call backs happen, they could still go back to the S.O. and if that could happen we could have them back if we chose. I have, in 2008 I got cost statistics by the hour. This is something, a document that I've been waiting on for us to look at how we're going to organize our schedule, but right now that's kind of a mute point until we get our new contract together. This gives you some idea, to the Trustees, where the peak call times are, so that's information I wanted you to have.

N. Shanley – Lynda, can you repeat the Deputies' names? King, what...

L. Bowers – David King, Doug Klinage, and Bill Harrell. And they're assigned to us temporarily permanently. Permanently temporarily until we do whatever it is that we're going to do and approve our new contract and then we'll have a choice of who and how, okay? And the only other thing that I wanted to mention is that on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 – 2:00, the Sheriff's Department will have people in the lobby accepting expired prescriptions, needles, sharps, veterinary medicine, anything that they don't want us disposing of, you know, down our toilets or thrown in the trash because they can still be gotten out of there and abused and so on and so forth. And that's all I have for police unless anyone has questions.

### **Correspondence –**

L. Bowers – Anything in Correspondence that anybody got special that...

S. Bailey – Yes, I have.

L. Bowers – Mrs. Bailey.

S. Bailey – We received a letter from National City Bank, of course, as you know, they're going to be changing over to PNC and as of April the 9<sup>th</sup>, they will be closed completely, there will be no business transacted between April the 9<sup>th</sup>, which is a Friday, till Monday, April the 12<sup>th</sup> when they reopen. In doing that change, they will be changing all of our information, our account number which we've had ever since the Township opened up the bank account many years ago, the account number has always stayed with the bank, with the ...

L. Bowers – Changes.

S. Bailey – Changes, well, they're not going to do that. They're changing the account number completely. They will be changing everything that has to do with National City Bank. I have a feeling that this is not going to be a good change. There are a lot of things that have been coming up, little things, where their charges for analyzing are going up, we're paying over \$200.00 a month now. One month we had almost \$300.00 in charges, so even though we get half way decent interest compared to other banks, they're eating it up with their charges.

L. Bowers – Well, since we're going to be bidding depository contracts, we can keep that in mind too.

S. Bailey – Right. I think we, we better, looking into another bank, I really don't feel good about staying with National City.

L. Bowers – Well, you can also try to negotiate with PNC too, before we pull, but that's something that we can talk about during depository contracts.

S. Bailey – Right.

L. Bowers – Anything else, Shirley?

S. Bailey – I gave you all the VASU communications, it's a, an open house in Avon on March the 24<sup>th</sup>. I don't think you'll be able to go to that though because it's between 11 and 3, you'll be having your meeting at that time. That's all I have really.

L. Bowers – Okay. Nanci, anything?

N. Shanley – No.

L. Bowers – Don? Okay.

**Old Business:  
Sign Proposal -**

L. Bowers - Under Old Business, Nanci, were you able to firm up your sign proposal?

N. Shanley – Not quite.

L. Bowers – Okay.

N. Shanley – I do have some questions tonight that might help guide this. I met with the sign company that did York's sign. York's sign is self-illuminated, it's a cabinet sign, this is the company, I finally tracked down the company that did it and he met me here last week. We need to make, maybe some brainstorming about where we want this to be, what configuration it takes, depends on where we put it. So, I've looked at setbacks and right-of-ways that are required from ODOT. We need to talk about what we want the sign to do. Do we want this to be announcing just Trustee Meetings or are we looking at a broader use for it. Obviously, we have the dinner / auction in January, but beyond that, Halloween party, how often are the things on it going to be general community things? The reason that we ask is that if you consider the setbacks, putting the sign on 42, and I've only got the one of this, but, to have it be visible because of the Road Side, the restaurant, we're really in, a little bit, in the right-of way, which we really can't be. If you get it to where it's not a problem for right-of-way, I don't know if anybody can see this, maybe the color one would be, yeah, not. Some factors he brought up – the right-of-way to get it back far enough really makes it hard to see the sign, so are we spending money for not a lot of visibility, so we got to think about where we want to put it. The reason that's important is how we light it becomes important. If you have it self-lit from within, like York's or like Sharon Township's, you have to run a separate circuit. If you light it from the ground, you really want to elevate that because otherwise it gets knocked down, mowed down, etcetera. The other logistical problem is it's in Joy's job description to update

this sign and if we put it out on 42, she's trudging through a lot of snow and over mounds and over I don't know what just to update it, so, can we think a little bit and we can, you know...

L. Bowers – I think updating the sign needs to be the Service Department, that's where it's always been. I would, I would say that they can do that.

N. Shanley – No matter who does it, it's a hike and when the snow is piled up at the edge of 42, it's gonna be trudging through a lot of stuff. So, he had a couple of other suggestions and I'll have the whole thing for the next meeting. But some things to think about – he has done some similar kinds of things elsewhere. I'm also talking to a different company. I'm talking to the company that did Sharon Center's sign. I'm also going to talk to Medina Signs. Everyone tells me we want this thing to be enclosed because we don't want to go to what happens when you have it open and the kids start having fun with letters. So right away our cost goes up a little bit from what we were looking at. But I will have something for the next meeting but wanted to let you know what the progress was. And in concert with that, I've asked for some signage for the Administration Building. Simple, inexpensive, since it's probably going to be our Administration Building for awhile. And for the Township Hall and for Service Department, just some basics and then updating the sign next to the Fire Station. That's another one that's coming in. So, that's it.

L. Bowers – You have any questions, Don? Neither do I. Okay.

**R. P. Hughes Contract –**

L. Bowers – R. P. Hughes Contract. Ready to be signed, have you heard anything?

N. Shanley – I am waiting for something from Bill in writing. He left me a voice message but I'm following his advice which is that we need to get things from him in writing and I left him a voice mail message to that effect again today. I know he was gone last week, so.

L. Bowers – Okay.

**New Business:  
Cemetery –**

L. Bowers – New Business – the cemetery proposal. Don, Don Weiland, we had talked about during budget. Am I able to offer him the same terms as last year, not to exceed \$2,000.00, which is same thing we did last year to start in Shaw and then move to Spitzer if the funds are available. I think he spent, and I don't have the number off the top of my head, what, about \$1,300.00 last year, Shirley, is what he ended up costing us to finish Waltz? And he did all of Waltz. Shaw is every bit as bad as Waltz if not worse.

S. Bailey – I don't remember it off hand.

N. Shanley – I have last year's here.

L. Bowers – Yeah, I don't have it off the top of my head, I apologize.

S. Bailey – I think it was a little more than thirteen, but...

L. Bowers – But I'm just saying, stick with not to exceed two.

S. Bailey – It was not, it was under the \$2,000.00 though.

L. Bowers – The reason I'm asking is cause he's trying to get his schedule together. He's kind of getting to be in high demand.

S. Bailey – Cemeteries – 2041.

L. Bowers – He's doing some other township as well.

D. Butler – I thought we agreed that at budget time we'd do that.

L. Bowers – Well, we agreed to budget it but I can't offer him the job unless the Board approves it in meeting.

N. Shanley – We spent \$1,125.00 last year.

L. Bowers – Yeah, it was eleven hundred then.

N. Shanley – So, yeah.

S. Bailey – Eleven hundred. Less than what I thought.

L. Bowers – I know that that's what we budgeted, but we actually have to approve offering him, you know, so, I'd like to do that so that we can get on his schedule.

**N. Shanley – I will make a motion that we offer Don Weiland the same terms as in 2009, not to exceed \$2,000.00, to start on Shaw Cemetery and move to Spitzer Cemetery if funds permit.**

**L. Bowers – And I'll second. Any discussion? All in favor?**

**D. Butler , N. Shanley, L. Bowers – Aye.**

L. Bowers – And opposed, same sign. I do, do want to report that I've been working for five years with Mike McCann on recreating all of Lafayette Township Cemetery Records and that includes the County Home Cemetery that we started working on about three years ago and I'm happy to report we're done. A book will be available to the Township, Mike and I are going to meet next week, I just gave him the updates for the new burials that we had in 2009 in Waltz and we will have every single one of our cemeteries mapped, where everybody is. There's quite a number of burials that we were able to verify by going through old Gazette obituaries and things like that. And Mike did the lion's share of that work. He's done excellent work and we've remapped all of the cemeteries now and we'll be able to use those documents to load right into the UAN system. The UAN system will now generate all of the deeds and update the records as they go. My hope is that we'll have everything finished with Mike and all the copies and things made. We're also going to deposit them, or Mike's going to deposit them, at the

County Library and at the Historical Society. So, we'll have all of those done. Real excited about that. Hope to have them done by the end of April.

**Joint Lake Road Corridor Study –**

L. Bowers – The Joint Lake Road Corridor Study, which was proposed by the Medina County Department of Planning Services. Don, I'll let you handle that if you'd like to. I know that Patrice said that she spoke to you. She gave me a letter, I sent it out to everybody, so she said, and I didn't really talk to her about it much after that because I was in a meeting, so you want to cover that?

D. Butler – All they want to do is do a supposedly with the Chippewa Lake, Chippewa Landing plans in the mix, they want to expand out from there and take a look at that corridor around Chippewa Landings to see how it should be zoned and for reinvestment area recovery zones, etcetera. I don't know what she wanted for money. She was asking everyone involved to chip in something towards it.

L. Bowers – The number she said she discussed with you was \$2,500.00.

D. Butler – That what it was, it was like \$2,000.00 is what I remember.

L. Bowers – I know that Ron Oiler from Westfield Township talked to me at another meeting a couple nights ago to ask if that was the number that we were considering and I told him I didn't know what the Board was going to do but I understood that was the number that you and Patrice discussed. It's kind of a land use study, a comprehensive plan if you will, for that specific area and it includes four jurisdictions – Westfield Township, Lafayette Township, Gloria Glens Village and Chippewa Lake Village to have kind of a master plan for that specific area. And I think Medina City might put a representative on that as well because the traffic issues would concern them.

N. Shanley – Do we know what Gloria Glens and Chippewa would be asked to pay?

L. Bowers – I do not know but I suspect, I was quite surprised, I suspect it would be less because they have not much land area that's affected by it, not much land area available for development. I was surprised that Westfield Township is talking the same amount that we are because the lion's share of the land mass is Lafayette Township, but they, that was, he wanted to know what our number was, so, I would imagine that that's what they're doing. You want to make a recommendation, Don? Or do you need more information? I think they're ready to get started actually.

D. Butler – I'm trying to, in my own mind, reconcile the need to even have this done to be honest with you. It's predicated on other things being done, which may or may not be. And like a lot of stuff, if ...

L. Bowers – Well, we're going to know the middle of April when they put the dirt, or the shovel in the ground. You want to wait until then? I know that's what you're talking about – the Chippewa Land Project.

D. Butler – I am.

L. Bowers – So if you want to wait until the middle of April...

D. Butler – I'd be more comfortable see that off the ground then doing it now.

L. Bowers – That's fine with me. You okay with that, Nanci?

N. Shanley – I'm fine with, I prefer to wait actually, yes.

L. Bowers – Okay. Let's wait and make sure we get the verification then. I understand that they're funding approval is effective April, the end of April sometime, so, so, I will carry that on to the April agenda. And that's all I have under new business. Anything that you have to add, Don?

D. Butler – Nothing here, no.

L. Bowers- Nanci?

N. Shanley – Nope.

L. Bowers – Okay. There's a couple of announcements and information. I told the Board that I would comment on the Medina City meeting. Medina City's been having meetings with the contiguous Townships, one representative from each Township. We've had two meetings and all we've really talked about is what they're planning, what we're planning. Some really nice possibilities have come out of that meeting already. I asked Mayor Hanwell, and he agreed, he's going to start publishing those meetings as a regular Medina City meeting. I had a conversation with Bill Thorne to see how more than one Trustee from each Township might be able to attend those. As long as it's a Medina City meeting, and we're talking about Medina City issues, and only gathering information and providing information, if it's published and there are minutes, which Medina City is now going to do, all of the Trustees from every Township are able to attend and that's what we're going to encourage – all of the Trustees from every Township to attend. And I think that that will be real helpful. Couple of the things that have come up just in our discussion is that the ODOT has let a contract for the light to be installed at Cobblestone. The argument now and the issues are who's paying for the turnout lanes and how those are going to be accomplished and so on and so forth with that development not moving out. Medina City just happens to be widening and paving Route 3 and they're going to be close to that so they're trying to work out an agreement where it's part of Medina City's project and there's an economy of scale which means it would be much less expensive for Montville Township to have that occur. One of the other discussions we have had is all of the Townships have gotten to the point where we're having some issues, ball fields are becoming a scheduling issue, maintenance is becoming an issue, particularly since we don't have enough to justify having expert people do that but we have enough that we're required to get the work done and we're right at that point where maybe the volunteer work isn't cutting it anymore, isn't sufficient, safe, whatever. Medina City has offered the ability to take that work over for the Townships because they have the expertise and the equipment and the people who do that and Mayor Hanwell indicated to me that currently they charge one and a half times the salary of the people that do it. If they have three men out there and their man hours are eight dollars an hour, they charge that plus half again the salary which covers the equipment, the fuel, liability, worker's comp., all of that stuff. So they've invited us to send them a proposal

as to what we might need just to have them cost it out for us to see if that's an arrangement that might be beneficial to us, and that's for every Township. Those are just some of the things that have kind of been talked about. But I think if we were all at the table we'd have a lot more brainstorming that could be done. So, that's what's going on with those meetings and those are public meetings. The Health Department meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup>, that's an annual meeting that one representative from every Township is required to attend and they gave us the statistics on our Township, you know, how many well inspections were done, and hot water tank inspections, and all of those things, and I gave those to members of the Board. I emailed one to Shirley, so, anybody has a burning desire to know that information, it's on file. The Upper Chippewa Creek Watershed Planning Partnership meeting – I understand that a letter was sent to you Mr. Butler on that last, at the end of last year because you were still the President of the Board. I attended it because I'm the representative for County Planning, but what's really cool for Lafayette Township is that because I attend it for County Planning and I'm their designated representative, we can still have another representative from Lafayette Township. So, I would like another member of the Board to agree to...

N. Shanley – When do they tend to meet?

L. Bowers – be a representative. They tend to meet, when did they have that meeting, they meet during the day. This meeting was, this last meeting was on Tuesday and the, of last week, and the next meeting has not been called.

N. Shanley – If they tend to be on Tuesdays that would not be possible.

L. Bowers – And they, you know what we could do, as soon as the notice comes out, whichever one of you are available can grab it.

N. Shanley – That'd be fine.

L. Bowers – I mean, it doesn't have to be a designated representative. The Upper Chippewa Creek Watershed Planning Partnership is extremely important to our Township, probably as much as anybody, more so than anyone, cause we have a lot of land mass. Lafayette Township signed onto that program about a year ago and what it does is, there will be some planning done, and it's not controlling on our Township, it's just something that's available for us where we identify high priority conservation areas, high priority development areas, and if development want to occur in a certain place that's identified, or conservation, a conservation project is available, a preservation project, like a farmer wants to sell his farm for permanent preservation, we get knocked high up on the point list for grants. That just puts us a little higher. Federal grants for Fire & Rescue equipment, a lot of times has points assigned to them based on the partnerships that the Township might be involved in. Not so much for Service but Fire & Rescue – that could be helpful. So that's very important to us and to have two members on the Board setting the policy I think is a good idea. I want to remind the Board that next Thursday, this Thursday, two days, three days from now is the Township Association Meeting and the topic is All Things New Trustees Need to Know. And, the third Thursday in April is the meeting for that month being held here.

N. Shanley – Thursday, it's at Sharon Center, correct?

L. Bowers – No. It's in Granger.

N. Shanley – Granger. That's right.

L. Bowers – It's in Granger.

N. Shanley – Okay.

L. Bowers – And next month is here. Guilford Township always does really nice refreshments and so I'll make sure that we have really nice refreshments to rival Guilford's this year. We'll take care of that. And you have an update on the Electric Aggregation.

N. Shanley – I do. I do. I will make my comment very brief and I have a more lengthy update if anybody is interested, I'll pass one to each member of the Board and one to Shirley. In a nutshell, the task force has met twice. They've considered proposals from four different aggregators and they have gone back to their original plan to go with First Energy and the County Commissioner Association of Ohio Program, which will have the 6% for households, 4% for small business discount on the kilowatt hour rate. That is going to go on the May ballot for those Townships that approved it and we did. The County is anticipating a per precinct cost of \$150 to \$180 and it depends on the size of the precinct. And the actual contract being proposed by First Energy is going to be approved at the upcoming County Commissioners meeting, which is this coming Monday. And that's it in a nutshell and if anybody wants more information, I have some right here.

L. Bowers – Don, you have anything else you want to bring up? The only other thing I want to comment on is Armstrong, and Nanci, I have not drafted that letter on purpose, and I apologize for not letting you know this but there's been some interaction going back and forth between some of the residents and Karen Troxill from Armstong. Your reporter...Allison Woods caught me last week and I really didn't realize I was talking to her about an article.

N. Shanley – She's The Post.

L. Bowers – The Post? I'm sorry, yeah...

N. Shanley – She's The Post.

L. Bowers – Yeah, and so is Allison.

N. Shanley – Is she?

L. Bowers – Yeah.

N. Shanley – Okay.

L. Bowers – And, I mean, we were just talking, but she did a great article and as a result of that, no, that was good, no that was great. Westfield, I had been talking to a Westfield Trustee last year, and we've renewed those conversations and Westfield has signed on and Chatham has signed on. There are some grant funds available through the USDA for expansion of cable and

inter, high speed internet services into agricultural areas, so we're working together to try to look at that in a...

N. Shanley – Good. So no letter is needed?

L. Bowers – No letter is needed right now. We'll see how that goes. We need to pay the warrants of the Township and Public Participation. Anybody?

**Public Participation:**

L. Bowers – Mrs. Gushue? Oh, Mr. Catlin? You guys want to argue about it? Which one? (laughter)

P. Catlin – **Pat Catlin**, Carsten Road. Shirley or Lynda, maybe you can answer this. Anybody get the keys back from Lee Kehoe yet?

S. Bailey – No, we have not.

L. Bowers – My understanding is it's been sent to the Prosecutor's Office.

P. Catlin – Well, somebody better light a fire under the Prosecutor's Office. This is two and a half months and he's still got the keys.

L. Bowers – Understood. Mrs. Gushue?

L. Gushue – I just wanted to, **Laura Gushue** on Ryan Road. I wanted to make sure that the Trustees are aware that there's a group of concerned citizens that have begun meeting in attempt to bring positive government to Lafayette Township. We're calling ourselves Lafayette Citizens for Positive Government. And, we stand for positive, productive, and ethical government that is transparent in its conduct, and looks to improve, enhance, and unify our community. It's our expectation that the Trustees will: obtain education, both the required and the optional, for your position in order to assure all laws of Ohio are followed as decisions are made, that you perform the duties of your office in a professional, transparent, respectful, and honest manner in all interactions between yourselves, other government officials, employees, and the public, that you create a positive a productive work environment for our employees, that you provide excellent quality services in a fiscally responsible manner, collecting only enough tax dollars to provide those services and maintain an acceptable carryover amount, that you maintain proper written records to support statements made and be prepared to share those when asked to do so, that you generate and follow a written, strategic plan when considering cutting services or making large purchases, utilize some type of decision making process in order to allow anyone to easily follow your rationale, prepare for meetings by submitting agenda items and arriving prepared to discuss issues, listen to public input, and have an open mind in order to weigh options. It's our hope that you will embrace the ideals and possibly place your commitment of those ideals in writing. Thank you.

L. Bowers – Thanks. Anybody else? Mr. Pindroh.

T. Pindroh – **Tom Pindroh**, Cantwell Trail. In question to public input, last session there was discussion between Mr. Butler and Jill pertaining to wages and assistants and all that and the

discussion was progressing, maybe into two or three minutes, Mrs. Shanley, I'd like to know why you sort of stifled it and shut down the conversation. I don't have a good understanding why because we here had an interest on wanting to know what was going on.

N. Shanley – I'm not following the circumstance, I'm sorry.

T. Pindroh – Last meeting...

N. Shanley – Okay.

T. Pindroh – There was a discussion about an article that was written in the paper pertaining to expenses, wages paid to assistants, and...

N. Shanley – I do.

T. Pindroh – Trustees...

N. Shanley – Yes. Okay.

T. Pindroh – Between Mr. Butler...

N. Shanley – Okay.

T. Pindroh – And Jill. And as the conversation...

N. Shanley – You were pointing at Joy, that's why I wasn't following you, I'm sorry.

T. Pindroh – Okay.

N. Shanley – Okay. You were pointing at Joy, I'm like, wait a minute.

T. Pindroh – Okay. Okay, well, okay. What I was concerned was, the discussion was developing that we would like to had some input on how it was being resolved and you stifled it and shut it down.

N. Shanley – I did.

T. Pindroh – Yes, you did.

N. Shanley – Yes, I did. And, again, I will say the same thing I said then. I think that a lot of the banter that goes on in Letters to the Editor, there is different ways to pursue those questions. A lot of things get said in Letters to the Editor, I have made a commitment, myself, that unless it's something that I can say that's positive, I am no longer going to respond or to get involved in that sort of thing. If Jill had something to say about I don't understand how much this person was paid, or can you tell me how much this person was paid, I do feel this is the proper forum for that. To continue the banter that's been going on between these letters in this meeting, and this is my opinion as a Trustee, there's two other Trustees up here that are free to speak also, I'm not sure that that's a proper forum. However, if Jill or you or anyone else here were to

come to the microphone and say I'm confused, how much was, and that seemed to be the topic, this person was being paid this or this person was being paid that or that sort of thing, if it's presented as a question, I have no problem and I completely support that being discussed. What I started having difficulty with is that back and forth, push pull that goes on in all these letters. And whether this is the right forum. And again, my personal opinion, I'm not saying that, Lynda may feel differently about it and she may feel this is the forum for it, Don may feel this is the forum for it, I'm just strictly speaking my own mind.

T. Pindroh – Okay. But you're, okay, I understand that, but your opinion did shut it down. Nobody else...

N. Shanley – Well, I think there are others that could have spoken up if they felt that was wrong and said well no, I disagree, among us up here. I'm not pointing any fingers, but...

T. Pindroh – Okay.

N. Shanley – I think it's important, in general, I'd like to say, I'd like to see us move beyond this stuff because I think, I don't know how everybody feels out there, I think this Board is beginning to work really well together. I'm beginning to feel that we're getting some things done that we're working as a team and that we're moving beyond all this minutiae that really been bogging us down and just the infighting and the, just the negativism, and I'd like to just see us all commit to moving beyond it and not keep dragging it back to that point.

T. Pindroh – Well then, what we need to do at one of these meetings here is to just open it up, discuss it with everybody and then it will be settled.

N. Shanley – That's fine. And if someone has a question, how much did I earn in 2008, I'm happy to answer. I have my W-2s. How much did I earn in 2009, those are the things that were being discussed. You know, that's public record. Everyone has an opportunity to ask that and to know that. I don't have any problem with that. The bickering, that's the kind of thing that I think Lynda's done a very nice job of just trying to control and I think we need to move beyond it.

T. Pindroh – Okay. I'll leave it at that for the time being. I have a second question. I understand we have some financial difficulties that we have to look at for the Fire Department in pertaining to health care. How much are all those signs going to cost? Can't the dollars on those signs that you want to purchase be used for ...

N. Shanley – Absolutely. And just because I present them doesn't mean that we have to do it. It's a topic that was brought up and to do it, I thought, let's explore the, all the alternatives, let's see who's out there, let's see what quotes we can get, let's get a sign that's going to last and do the job. If we elect not to move forward with the signs, that's fine with me. We've lived without them for a long time.

T. Pindroh – That's right. Cause it could be...

N. Shanley – Absolutely.

T. Pindroh – The dollars could be used for ...

N. Shanley – Yup.

T. Pindroh – More important things.

N. Shanley – Yeah.

T. Pindroh – Okay. That's it for now.

L. Bowers – **Mr. Figgers**, I'm sorry.

D. Figgers – The Hughes Company – if we're paying, and I under...I don't have the figure in the top of my head but I know we're going to pay them good money...

N. Shanley - \$24,750.00, I think.

D. Figgers – Okay. To do, to do a study, to what this complex is going to be someday, what I don't understand is if we're, if that million dollars is way cut down and you've got a basically an Administration Building that's been gone over and is pretty much the way I, it's going to be set up, and I've got minimal amount of work at the Service Department, what are we spending the money for?

L. Bowers – I'm probably going to get hit for this, but I'm going to answer this. We have missed tremendous opportunities in this Township for many years. Not just this last year but for many years of grant funding, shovel ready projects, money...I feel very, very strongly, had we had a plan in place and had some idea of where we were going to go and what it was going to cost to get there, by now, we probably could have had a new Service Department, a new Administration Building, a new Fire Department, state of the art stuff at no local cost to our taxpayers, and to continue down that road without having that planning in place, you can't know where you're going to go unless you have a plan. You can't manage what you can't see. And those plans cost money and, and if we have to pull money from the General Fund and fund some of it from the Service Department, you know, so be it to get that plan done. But I think that that's probably one of the most critical things that this Township needs to be doing is to finish our Comprehensive Plan and get our twenty year plan for future put together and that means facilities. The facilities of this Township, not one of them that I'm aware of, including the Administration Building, probably even meet fire code. And we're at that point in our history where it's time to start looking at those replacements and we're missing so many opportunities because we're simply not ready with that planning.

D. Figgers – Okay.

L. Bowers – That's why.

D. Figgers – In regards to the signs, Roy was telling me that you were looking at those, what you were showing as examples, I agree, we need signs on each one of the buildings. So many times we've had people come over, where's the Fire Department, you tell them this way, they

come in one of these doors, the Service Department, they don't know where it's at, we need it over the side door or something over the side door also, so, I think it's a good idea.

L. Bowers – I do want to clarify one comment that's kind of, I think that, I don't want to leave the impression that the Township is in financial dire straits, because we absolutely are not. I am so extremely proud of where we've come and where we are today from where we were ten and twelve years ago. We are in excellent condition, we have full year carryovers in just about every, every department already, our expenses year in and year out have been flat or down for the last four or five years, other than Fire and Rescue. Not Fire & Rescue's fault, they've had to grow, our community has grown, we've got a census coming up, I think that people are going to be shocked at what our population is now. I know that their runs are up when I helped them work through a grant cycle. Two years ago and again last year, I was surprised to see the number of runs we're at. That having been said, that's a department we have to pay attention to because the time to worry about a crisis is not when it's on us but it's when we see it coming and we can see that one coming a mile away. We've got to make some changes and get some things done. So...

D. Figgers – What I don't want to see is spend \$24,000.00 and not do anything, just be stagnant. I'm all for...

L. Bowers – We may not be able to do anything, but at least we'll be ready and know what needs to be done when we can.

D. Figgers – The problem is if you don't start moving forward, if you stay stagnant and don't move forward on something, then the cost...

N. Shanley – Right.

D. Figgers – Goes out races the savings.

N. Shanley – I mentioned earlier that I was going to ask a grant company to come and talk to us to see if we might want to enter into some kind of agreement from them. One of the things that helps them go out and get money for us is knowing what we need.

D. Figgers – Okay.

N. Shanley – Montville Township got all of the baseball diamonds that they've put together for the Poe Road Park covered by grants. Had we had a plan, had we had them on board, our fencing probably would've been paid for cause it covered fencing. If you prepare and you know what you're needs are, then you can go out and try to find the money for those things.

L. Bowers – You know, you can go back year after year, ever since you've been here, Dave, you know, every year, I'm, let's do the planning, let's do the planning, let's do the planning. We have a Board now that's willing to do the planning and I'll be darned if it's going to stop.

D. Figgers – That's fine. Let's move forward.

N. Shanley – Dave, I have a, Dave, I have a question for you. It's huge. Do you think we might possibly get a light bulb in the entrance way there so it's not...

D. Figgers – I told Roy when I come in, it was, it was on a couple days ago and I see it's out and I said something when I came in to him, I said, oh it's the, bulbs out.

N. Shanley – Thank you.

L. Bowers – Mr. Butler, you had a comment.

D. Butler – Yeah, in defense of the Fire Department, since we're picking on them, I think it needs to be said that over the last half dozen, dozen years, the prior leadership of that Department was gung ho on accumulating money at the cost of keeping up everything that needed to be kept up.

N. Shanley – Yup.

D. Butler – And it was ...

L. Bowers – There was some of that, yes.

D. Butler – Farther behind than anyone in this room can imagine. The danger we all faced because things were not kept up and yes, they had to spend a lot of money to get up to where we should be. I think that's the main reason. It's not the growth that I'm worried about, it's the fact that nothing was done for years.

D. Figgers – I'm not picking on them by any means. I just don't want to have to buy a Fire truck for them and put Service Department on it, that's all. (laughter)

L. Bowers – Anything else? Okay, we're signing checks and, I'm sorry, Don?

D. Butler – On this action items, you want to go over these quickly?

L. Bowers – We can.

D. Butler – I mean, just to change...

L. Bowers – I put mine away.

N. Shanley – I did too. I don't even know where I put mine.

L. Bowers – Yeah, actually, if I could, if I had time to put the new printer in my printer tonight, I would have had mine done, but my printer ran out of ink. Employee Handbook...

N. Shanley – I am working on it.

L. Bowers – I think Nanci's working on that.

N. Shanley – I am.

L. Bowers – Parking Enforcement...

D. Butler – I'll be ready to discuss that next meeting.

L. Bowers – Okay. Purchasing and Procurement Card Policy.

N. Shanley – Lynda, I have a question. I wasn't going to go there but I didn't know we were going to cover it. I went through the minutes and I'm trying to understand where we, in the May 11<sup>th</sup> min... where did we leave this. You were going to send a letter to the homeowners from what I read there. To ask them what they wanted. Did we get a letter back, did we get any response, where were we?

L. Bowers – Well, actually there was, it was back and forth whether or not we were going to do that. The homeowners association sent us a letter – they want it.

N. Shanley – From Hunter's Run?

L. Bowers – From Hunter's Run. The question that remained then, and I'm not so sure it's clearly reflected in the minutes, but the question that remained was what parking regulations do we have in place and that's a little difficult if you haven't been here and don't have the history and I think that that's part of where Don had the problem. He saw what we passed and it passed. All of the documentation was done to set up the parking bureau and to set up the enforcement and to give us the authority to do that but then what regulations do we have? Well, to do that you have to go back through years of, you know, this regulation was passed here and this regulation was passed there. What we have, in the Township, and I sent Don a copy of a ticket form that was originally proposed that we actually looked at at that May meeting that Don did not have. We have 3 – 6 parking, no parking on the roads from 3 to 6 in the morning and that's particularly important in the subdivisions. There's a method in place in that legislation that allows property owner if they've got family in from out of town or whatever to call and say, you know, we're going to have a car out and just to notify. We have snow ban parking that's in place. We have where signs prohibit. Those are the three parking prohibitions that we have. The where signs prohibit is a catch all and that was put in place back in the 70's, way before, late 80's, or late '70's or early '80's, even before my time. And the where signs prohibit is, you know, no parking on this side of the road, no parking where there's fire hydrants, for special reasons if a subdivision would ask for it, the Trustees would approve that then we would approve the signs going up. Those are the three that we have. The only thing we're waiting for is getting the tickets.

N. Shanley – I guess what, I guess what I'm looking at is, I've looked at the minutes. We kind of started and stopped because we thought it was going to be self-regulated, it looked like we were...

L. Bowers – We already had everything passed so we didn't have to do anything more.

N. Shanley – Right. So what has precipitated us going... cause we've got the expensive signs and things... what has precipitated moving forward. Do we have a...

L. Bowers – We have letters from homeowners associations saying that they want them.

N. Shanley – So we're prepared to enforce now?

L. Bowers – Yeah.

N. Shanley – Okay. If we're prepared to enforce, that's okay.

L. Bowers – You know, when I was the police liaison, when we were enforcing it when we had our own department, the Township's standard policy always was, try to mitigate the problem first. We don't, we don't want to go out and give our residents tickets unless somebody's just refusing to comply or whatever. Try to resolve the situation and I think that our deputies will continue to try to do that.

D. Butler – And that's, I didn't want to discuss it now, but that's part of my concern is we're going to spend a lot of money on signs and installation of signs and what the regulations are in posting everything and even according to the May '09 minutes, we weren't, we were not set to enforce anything.

L. Bowers – I believe there's only one subdivision where the signs aren't up. Dave and Roy left. Yeah, I think the signs are up. I think they've been up for years. There's only one subdivision that I'm aware of that doesn't have the signs posted.

N. Shanley – Which one?

L. Bowers – Hunter's Run.

N. Shanley – Hunter's Run, okay.

L. Bowers – Hunter's Run. I believe...

N. Shanley – I'm fine with it, you know, if we're going to move forward. I just wanted a clear understanding of why we're moving forward and are we really going to do something, cause...

L. Bowers – The only, the only cost to the Township is getting the tickets and, you know, I'd be happy if we had a book. You know, cause there's, cause my understanding is, it's not a huge problem, but when it is a problem, there's nothing they can do.

N. Shanley – Yeah, there's no way to enforce it.

L. Bowers – You know, the other thing we could do is talk to Mr. Thorne to see if we could do long form complaint for the min...for the minimum number of circumstances that we may have to deal with that. Now if you do long form complaint, the officer would have to file, write out a complaint and take it up to the court in Medina and have it sworn to and take it out and serve it and then it'd be filed in Muni Court. But I, I think you may be able to do that with parking complaints and they'd be filed by a citizen instead of the officers, but I'm not positive. I'd

check with Bill on that, but, I mean, that's another route to go if you don't want to have the tickets...

D. Butler – Oh, I can, I have no problem with the tickets...

L. Bowers – Published.

D. Butler – My problem is, based on the last discussion, are we ready to really enforce them or that just an expensive threat to tell people that if they don't comply that...

L. Bowers – When we have snow ban issues, which has been the big problem, what are they going to do when people won't comply and the trucks can't plow around them, I mean, what are they going to do. And we get the complaints from the residents who, the snows going into their driveway or, because the truck has to take the big swath, that's, that's the big complaint.

D. Butler – I, you know, I've had no complaints. If you had complaints, I ...

L. Bowers – Oh, yeah.

D. Butler – I would appreciate if you would forward them to me because I've heard nothing from anyone in the developments on parking or anything else.

L. Bowers – They're actually the topic of homeowners' association meetings. Yours included, I've been to yours. Yup, that was a topic at one of yours, it was a topic at Hunter's Run, it was a topic at Rosemont, I think you have a big issue up in your subdivision as well. It's a pretty big issue.

D. Butler – All I'm saying is that's never been forwarded to me.

L. Bowers – Yup. You have problems in yours. Little bit.

N. Shanley – So are we moving forward with getting tickets printed then, is that our understanding?

D. Butler – Yeah, I'll get a cost for them.

N. Shanley – Okay.

D. Butler – You want to tab... Well, 5s off the pending list, is it not? We just did that tonight?

N. Shanley – Yeah, we talked about the cable.

L. Bowers – 4. SOPs.

N. Shanley – We talked about cable.

D. Butler – No, that's five.

L. Bowers – Update the Road Inventory and Improvements to the County Engineer. No, that was actually, no that was the inventory list that the Engineer’s Office sent out. You took, I don’t have a copy cause you took mine at the last meeting. That outlines every one of our roads, what the mileage is, and when the improvements have been made. And when improvements are made, a lot of times you get more capacity and on some roads we did. Coon Club was an increased capacity. Ryan Road was an increased capacity and if those documents are not up to date, that costs us permissive motor vehicle license dollars. That needs to be filed with the County Engineer’s Office.

D. Butler – Those were given to Dave so, I’ll work with him on that.

L. Bowers – Okay. Just make sure those get done.

D. Butler – Ball field.

L. Bowers – The ball field concessions...

D. Butler – Might as well take that off.

L. Bowers – Well, no, actually met with the Health Department, talked to them at the meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup>, and they are willing to relook at their fee schedule and look at their fee structure because that’s what the legislature, I contacted some folks down in Columbus and they said that it’s not a legislative problem, it’s a fee structure problem, and I took that information to the Health Department and they were pretty receptive to look at it, so, hopefully we’ll get something.

D. Butler – Okay.

L. Bowers – Pursing Cable – we’re on our way and thank you to The Post. That was huge. That made a, that got their attention better than we could have. Anything else? We’re adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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