

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on June 11th by Chairman Ron Rhodes. Present were Trustees Ray Schulte, Ron Garapick, Ron Rhodes, Fiscal Officer Colleen Swedyk, one reporter and 28 residents. All joined the Pledge to the Flag.

Ron Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Ray Schulte seconded. Vote: S-yes, G-yes, R-yes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sergeant John Huff presented the Trustees with his completion certificate from Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command. Sergeant Huff received a 94% average on his coursework. He also showed all present the patches from different departments across the country that were exchanged at the school.

Ron Rhodes made a motion to appoint John Huff as the Assistant Police Chief Pro Tem with no pay increase. Ron Garapick seconded. Vote: S-yes, G-yes, R-yes.

Assistant Chief John Huff presented the Trustees with a memo from Chief Yates stating that Patrolman Bruce Linville will be promoted to the rank of Sergeant. He will fill the open rank of Patrol Sergeant and the promotion will become effective immediately.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Horton gave the department report for the month of May. Activity included 4 fire calls, 32 rescue calls, and the transporting of 26 people to area hospitals. Risk Management training consisted of 4 hours on search & rescue and VFIS driving instruction, 2 hours each on SWGH medical, equipment and water shuttle.

Chief Horton reviewed the rules for open fires. Legal fires include 2 x 2 foot recreational fires and 5 x 5 foot bon fires that can burn for 3 hours. Please contact the dispatch office if you will be burning a fire.

At the request of Chief Horton, Ray Schulte made a motion to adopt Resolution #061107-01 which gives the fire department approval to sell the 1986 Sutphen Fire Engine to American Township of Allen County for \$23,000.00 "as is" condition with no warranties. The truck is being sold pursuant to ORC 505.101. Ron Garapick seconded. Vote: S-yes, G-yes, R-yes.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Paul Magovac announced that the Medina County Safety Council in conjunction with the Sheriff's Department will be putting on a seminar to instruct on the new safety procedures. The cost of this seminar is \$12.00 per person. As trustee liaison, Ron Garapick has given the service department permission to attend this seminar.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

The trustees signed a mylar for Daniel & Beth Landis and Richard Mason.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Sexton Walter Robb thanked Cub Scout Troop 3520 for all of their hard work in putting up the flags in the cemetery for Memorial Day.

TRUSTEES

Ray Schulte announced that the Township is still looking for candidates to fill the openings on the zoning boards. Mr. Schulte stated that representatives from the zoning department have met with Kyle Dreyfuss-Wells from the Chagrin River Watershed Partners to work on an amendment for riparian setbacks. The amendment will soon be completed. Ray Schulte also announced that the Memorial Day Parade can be viewed on Channel 23.

Ron Garapick stated that Litchfield Equipment will be out in the township completing the roadside mowing. In addition, Mr. Garapick announced that the service department will be painting the Historical Building.

Ray Schulte stated that the new lettering on the administration building has now been installed.

Ron Rhodes made a motion to approve **Resolution # 061107-02** which approves the tax advances from the County Auditor's office for the 2nd half 2007 collection.

Ron Rhodes stated that Mr. Radden would like an answer as to whether he gets back the land at the end of Forest Dr. that he previously handed over to the Township in order to create a cul-de-sac. Ron Rhodes made a motion to give back Mr. Radden his original portion of land at the end of Forest Dr. Ray Schulte seconded. Ron Garapick stated that the County Engineer feels the township should keep the land for the future. Ray Schulte stated that he really thinks the street needs a cul-de-sac and would hate for the township to go backwards in the process. Ron Rhodes stated that Mr. Radden acted in good faith to obtain a cul-de-sac. Since the township is not going to get a cul-de-sac now or in the near future, Mr. Rhodes will vote to give Mr. Radden back his land. Vote: S-no, G-no, R-yes.

Ron Rhodes made a motion that on November 11, 2007, Hinckley Township has a family tree planting party on the corner of Route 303 & River Road. The Township will provide the trees, the expertise, hot dogs & beverages. The citizens provide a shovel and any family wishing to attend. If you wish to dedicate a tree to someone, we will work out those details at a later date. Ron Garapick stated that he thought it was part of the management plan for the property that trees be planted in early spring. Ray Schulte stated that he was on board with the idea. Ron Garapick stated that he will contact the Natural Resource Conservation Service for more information. The motion was tabled for lack of a second.

Ron Rhodes stated that township is just about to have all the tools to control growth – riparian setbacks and zoning for cul-de-sacs. Mr. Rhodes praised Ray Schulte and the zoning boards for their efforts. The township is considered a leader throughout the County.

FISCAL OFFICER

Colleen Swedyk reported that the Township currently has funds totaling \$3,120,651.72. Colleen Swedyk stated that the township has received a very good audit for the two year period of 2005-2006.

The Board reviewed and signed the May Bank Reconciliation and initialed time sheets.

The minutes of the meeting were approved by: