

**TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 16, 2014**  
**MEETING LOCATION: 11474 KERAN STREET; TOWNSHIP GARAGE**

(PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE REGULAR MEETING, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD REGARDING THE 2015 TOWNSHIP TAX BUDGET. PRESENT WERE: TRUSTEES MIKE WHITT, BRYAN BETHEL, MIKE DARBYSHIRE, FISCAL OFFICER WILLIAM JONES, AND RESIDENTS CHAD MILLER, BILL FORD, JR., AND MARTY JOHNSON. THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING THE BUDGET AS PRESENTED.)

President Michael Whitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Officials present at roll call were: President Michael Whitt, Vice-President Bryan Bethel, Trustee Michael Darbyshire and Fiscal Officer William Jones.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Reading of the minutes of the previous regular and special meeting was waived.

**RESOLUTION 2014-6-16-01:** *Motion* was made by Mr. Bethel and seconded by Mr. Dabyshire to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Bill Ford, Jr. reported that Mary Atwood of Lynn Acres complained to him about neighbors burning outdoors. Mr. Ford said he explained the state fire marshal's burning laws. Mr. Darbyshire said he also received a complaint from her regarding sub-division zoning issues. He referred her to the Ross County Planning Department.

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

Fire Chief Billy Ford, III gave the following report:

- 1) Four scene lights are needed at a cost of \$1200 each.
- 2) One of the MARCS radios has been programmed. One more will be purchased at this time, and then we will wait to see how many can be purchased with grants.
- 3) Squad 1616 has been returned to the shop for more service.

**CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION**

Mr. Whitt reported:

- 1) Potholes on Alexander Hollow have been repaired.
- 2) He said a resident has reported a nuisance at 159 Emerald Lane.
- 3) Joe Miller of Hurless Road reported to him that there are some potholes on that road that need filled.
- 4) Dan Hatton is to give an estimate on installing a bathroom in the township garage. Mr. Darbyshire said he would work on getting a license to install the septic system, and also contact Pete Hoyt about installation.

Mr. Bethel reported:

- 1) A resident of Franklin Circle contacted him about the road condition there. He informed him that road plans to be paved this year.

Mr. Darbyshire reported:

- 1) Stop signs were missing on Marble Lane and Franklin Circle. He advised the road employee to check all township roads and make sure all are in place.
- 2) The wing walls on the bridge at Turkey Ridge need repaired. Twin Township is responsible for the first 300 feet of the road after coming off of Lower Twin Road.
- 3) Ross County Sheriff's Department will not be mowing in the cemetery the next two weeks. Chad Miller said the township employees will handle it.
- 4) Marty Johnson asked if the township could guarantee him at least 2 days per week all year. After discussion, the Trustees felt they could not do that due to seasonal changes in demand for part-time employees.

The Fiscal Officer reported:

- 1) At the county-wide township association meeting, Matt DeTemple of the Ohio Township Association addressed the health insurance issue. It has been ruled by the Internal Revenue Service that beginning January 1, 2014, townships that reimburse officials and employees for health insurance premiums must now withhold income and medicare tax on the amount. The township began that process this month by "catching up" on the withholding from the beginning of the year.

**FINANCIAL**

**RESOLUTION 2014-6-16-02:**

**Motion** by Mr. Bethel and second by Mr. Whitt to:

- a. Approve payment of bills as presented
- b. Approve annual appropriation as presented
- c. Purchase orders and blanket certificates as presented
- d. Approve the 2015 Tax Budget as presented and submit to the Ross County Auditor

All voted yes. Motion passed.

***OLD BUSINESS***

None

***NEW BUSINESS***

**Motion** made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel to approve payment of July payroll for public officials for the first week of July and to cancel the regular July meeting of July 14, 2014. All voted yes. Motion passed. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be August 11, 2014, at the Twin Township Fire House beginning at 7:00 p.m.

With no other business to come before the Trustees at this time, **Motion** was made by Mr. Bethel and seconded by Mr. Whitt to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.