

Annual Meeting – March 14, 2005

Draft Minutes

The annual meeting was called to order by Supervisor Matthews at 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. Board members present were: Supervisor Matthews, Clerk Koerner, Treasurer Schuman, Trustee Stahlin, and Trustee Lee.

Guests present were: Mary Louise Lee, Phyllis Guenther, Robert Lee, Hank Cross, Norma Parker, Edwin Parker, Dave White, Charlene Austin, Lucy Matthews, Pam Schuman, Ben Siniarski, Roxanne Thelen, Bill Thelen, Virgil Norder, Ed Buskirk, Coleen Parker, Stephen McKenna, Calvin Parker, Dave Helt, Vaughn Vondrasek, and Floyd Koerner.

Floyd Koerner moved to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2004 meeting. Bob Lee supported it and the motion carried.

Bill Thelen moved to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit. It was seconded by Pam Schuman and the motion passed.

Commissioner's report: Commissioner Wayne Rozman reported that the county budget was fairly good at this time. They are again picking up dead deer. Many grants have been applied for. The commissioners are looking into Farmland Preservation rights.

Sheriff's report: Deputy Flores reported that there were 45 calls handled from Sciota Township since Jan. 1. (26 regular complaints and 19 service calls) Four citations were issued.

Supervisor's report: Supervisor Matthews reported on the financial state of the township. He explained what road projects are being looked at and the costs of each proposal.

Treasurer Schuman reported that he had taken an expired CD along with \$50,000 from the general fund and purchased an \$80,000 CD for 90 days. It will be available when needed for road projects.

Clerk Koerner reported that the new voting machine worked well for the two 2004 elections. We are presently preparing for the May special elections to be used by the schools. Due to election consolation we will have a split precinct at Sciota Hall. All township residents will vote at the Township Hall regardless of the school district they are located in.

Bill Thelen reported that the planning commission has held 13 meetings in the last year. There have been 8 land divisions, 2 rezonings, and many rezoning requests. They are busy learning about the transfer of development rights. Many county meetings are attended and many of their suggestions have been included in county rewrites.

Hank Cross reported on Emergency Services. Last year the 1996 ambulance was paid off and a new ambulance was purchased. \$56,000 was borrowed to go along with their savings for it. Bennington Township is somewhat interested in buying in. PMSA has lost a lot of members. The Shaftsbury station should be completed shortly. We will have a first responder stationed there as soon as the manpower for it finishes their training. Clinton Area Fire and Rescue is trying to get a mutual aid pact with them.

There was no old business.

New business: Hank Cross moved to accept the pay resolution passed by the board for Supervisor Matthews. Dave White seconded it. The show of hands vote showed it passing easily. Lucy Matthews moved to accept the pay resolution for Clerk Koerner. The motion was seconded by Hank Cross. The motion passed. Floyd Koerner moved to accept the pay resolution for Treasurer Schuman. Charlene Austin seconded it and the motion passed. This 3% raise will increase the pay from \$6,557.40 yearly to \$6,754.12 or \$562.84 monthly.

Floyd Koerner moved the meeting be adjourned and Bill Thelen seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Respectively submitted by
Nancy Koerner, Clerk