

Annual Meeting – Sciota Township
March 9, 2009
(draft minutes)

The 2009 annual meeting of Sciota Township was called to order at 6:00 pm March 9, 2009 by Supervisor Matthews following the budget hearing. Members present were Supervisor Matthews, Clerk Koerner, Treasurer Schuman, Trustee Thelen and Trustee Allen. Approximately 100 guests were present. List attached of those who signed their names.

The minutes of the 2008 meeting were approved on a motion by Trustee Thelen, seconded by Treasurer Schuman and passed.

The commissioner was not present.

There was no public comment.

Sheriff Braidwood told of some of the changes in the department and invited comments, either positive or negative, to him at any time.

Treasurer Schuman read a report telling of work in his office and the township.

Clerk Koerner reported that four elections were held the past year, but only one is expected for this year as of now.

Bill Thelen, chairman, gave a report on what the Planning Commission has been involved in this past year.

Hank Cross gave the emergency services report. They are currently debt free after purchasing a new ambulance this year. They are taking out a five year loan to purchase a new pumper and tanker for the fire department. He answered questions from the audience.

Dave White gave dates for this year's Board of Review. Residential properties are down while ag properties are up. These values are based on sales in the township.

Supervisor Matthews reported on SATA and the costs to join them and the small usage there has been in the township. It is still available to residents but at a higher cost. He explained how Proposition A has helped with taxes for a number of years but now is catching up with us. A new contract has been signed with the Cable TV company.

Old business: None

New business: There was much discussion on the proposed salary increases of \$300 for the supervisor, clerk and treasurer. The following residents spoke on their feelings: Mike Danek, Karen Kocsis, Nanette Lillie, Carla Dilday, Norma Lee, Howard Pierce, Prentice Pylman, Laura Pylman, Oliver Washington, and Tim McGarry. Norma Lee moved that

the supervisor's salary remain the same. Andrew Vandermolen seconded this motion. The motion passed. Lynne McGarry made the motion that the treasurer's salary remain the same. Marty Divine seconded it and the motion passed. The motion to keep the clerk's salary the same was made by Mike Danek, seconded by Carrie Allen and passed.

Dave White made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry Matthews and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Nancy Koerner, clerk