

**HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2009**

Mr. Shaw opened the meeting with all Trustees and Fiscal Officer present.

The open position for Zoning Inspector was discussed. Resumes received were read by the trustees and the item was tabled until the February meeting. It was suggested that we add to the proposed Zoning Inspector Policy that the position is part time with no benefits and evaluation and re-appointment of the position each year.

Mr. Claypool stated that since the Prosecutor suggested we have the Sheriff Office retrieve the township lap top computer, zoning book and township keys from Mr. Smith that we precede with a request to the Sheriff since Mr. Smith has refused to comply with our request for the return of these items. All Trustees agreed.

There being no further business to discuss the 2008 business year was to be closed, so moved by Mr. Claypool and seconded by Mrs. Ellinger.

RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 2, 2008

Mr. Shaw opened the meeting with all trustees and Fiscal Officer present. He turned the meeting over to F.O. Russell for re-organization.

Mrs. Russell took nominations for Chairperson for 2009: Mrs. Ellinger motioned for Mr. Claypool as Chairman, seconded by Mr. Shaw. There being no other nominations Mrs. Ellinger Motioned to close seconded by Mr. Shaw. Vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Russell took nominations for Vice Chairperson: Mr. Shaw motioned for Mrs. Ellinger as vice chairperson, Mr. Claypool seconded the motion. There being no other nominations Mr. Shaw motioned to close seconded by Mr. Claypool. Vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Russell congratulated Mr. Claypool and turned the business meeting over to him.

Resolution 09-01: Mrs. Ellinger motioned to change the meeting date to the 4th Wednesday of each month, with the times to remain the same, seconded by Mr. Shaw motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Shaw motioned to adopt resolution 09-02 seconded by Mrs. Ellinger and vote was by voice, Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

Mrs. Ellinger motioned for resolution 09-03 to approve appropriations for 2009 as proposed by the Fiscal Officer, seconded by Mr. Shaw and voice vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

The minutes of the December 29th meeting were read and approved so motioned by Mr. Shaw seconded by Mrs. Ellinger, motion passed unanimously.

The Township Hall is in need of professional floor cleaning and wax. Mr. Shaw motioned to have Mrs. Ellinger contact a new cleaning service and contract this work be completed, seconded by Mrs. Ellinger motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The Fiscal Officer to update the web site, Right of Way Policy, Building use Policy, Noise Ordinance, meeting dates, minutes etc.

EMPLOYEE REVIEW

Mrs. Ellinger commended Mr. Bresler on his excellent attendance, and working relationship with herself and the board. Mr. Claypool echoed this and added that they have had no negative feed back from the public, and that they had received accolades from other townships for our employee's work ethics during emergency situations in 2008 county wide.

Mr. Bresler made the following suggestions: 1. A three point mower and new tractor since our current small tractor is getting some age on it and the new mower would be of more benefit to the township. 2. The mower for the park and cemeteries needs replaced. 3. Garage door on Maintenance bldg. needs major repairs.

Mrs. Ellinger motioned for a pay raise of .55 cents per hour to begin January 3rd 2009, bringing his hourly rate to \$16.26, seconded by Mr. Shaw vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

The employee work policy was signed by all and a copy was given to the employee and copy for township records.

Mrs. Ellinger commended Mr. Singleton on his improved work ethic and that he is easy to work with, working well with her and the board that he cooperates and they have good communication. Mr. Claypool stated he was happy that the township has no negative feed back from the public on either of our employees.

Mr. Singleton made the following suggestions: 1. A three point mower for his tractor to increase productivity in mowing. 2. Park & Cemetery mower needs replaced. 3. Bed liner for new truck, fuel tank and headache rack. 4. Meg welder for the Maintenance Garage cost between 5 and 700.00. 5. Berm box for the new truck. He will check the cost with Southeastern.

Mr. Shaw motioned a .30 cent per hour pay raise to begin January 3rd 2009, bringing his hourly rate to \$15.75 seconded by Mrs. Ellinger, vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

The employee work policy was signed by all and a copy was given to the employee and copy for township records.

Mrs. Ellinger motioned to purchase a new garage door from Precision Door, for the maintenance building, seconded by Mr. Shaw and vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

Mrs. Ellinger motioned that the Township not post any roads for weight limits for 2009, seconded by Mr. Shaw and vote was unanimous. F.O. to inform the Engineer's Office.

Mrs. Ellinger motioned to contract with Mark Kitsmiller surveyor to survey the Hamburg Cemetery and lay out the grave plots with map to help with placement of these lots. Mr. Shaw seconded the motion and vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried. The F.O. was instructed to appropriate for this expense.

Mrs. Ellinger motioned to adjourn as there was no further business to discuss, seconded by Mr. Shaw.

Tim Claypool – Chairman

Gail V. Ellinger – Trustee

Doug Shaw – Trustee

Attest this _____ day of _____, 2009
Dianna J. Russell – Fiscal Officer