Minutes May 28, 2013 Minutes

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met May 28, 2013 in regular session at the Salem Morrow Fire Station Conference Room for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. Vice President Dick Dare called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with member Heath Kilburn present. Due to a prior commitment Kirk Ramsey was absent. Mr. Dare led all those present in the pledge of allegiance.

Others present: Mike Kassalen, Don Lynch, Lori Hensley, Assistant Chief Bill Harrison, Ralph Blanton, Chief Fred LaFollette, Matt Nolan and Frank Schlake.

The minutes were read and approved and posted on the bulletin board.

Cemetery 4/27/13 Thomas Ehling Sec 4 Lot 107 Center East Stine Kilburn 5/20/13 Amster Parrett Sec 4 Lot 304 Center East Vale's 5/25/13 Ronald Rice Sec 4 Lot 272 CW grave Private This date had previously been reported as 4/25/13.

Because of a time issue, Mr. Dare stated there would be no business taken from the floor at tonight's meeting.

Fire Department/Roads/Cemetery

Chief LaFollette had received applications from two volunteers. He requested the board approve the hiring of Jesse Crook and Aaron Kidd to be placed on the volunteer roster pending physical exams and drug screens. Mr. Dare made a motion to approve this employment seconded by Mr. Kilburn. Vote: Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea

Chief LaFollette reported he had looked into the state bidding for the compact excavator for ditching and other hard to reach spots. The Southwestern Equipment Company had the state bid at \$39,816.59. The buckets would be an add-on of \$6761.00. Heath Kilburn made a motion to approve this purchase. Dick Dare seconded the motion. Vote: Mr. Kilburn, yea Mr. Dare, yea

They will check with Smith Trailer to see if they could get a trailer at a better price from them.

Dennis Shelby had submitted a price for work on the pole barn. The trustees asked for a second bid before making a decision.

Mr. Dare mentioned how good the cemetery looked for Memorial Day.

Insurance Renewal

The current insurance plan is due for renewal June 1, 2013. After considering the increasing price of the current plan, the trustees discussed raising the deductible to a \$5,000/\$10,000 option with a 90/10 split for the payment of this deductible. Heath Kilburn made a motion to go with the Blue Access Option D58 with the \$5,000/\$10,000 deductible and a 90/10 split. Dick Dare seconded the motion. Vote: Mr. Kilburn, yea Mr. Dare, yea

Mike Kassalen checked on a property at 5256 St.Rt. 123 and asked them to clean it up. There were no permits issued for this time period.

He gave a copy to the trustees of the meeting minutes from the zoning hearing relating to the Gooch property change to residential. Mr. Lynch requested a copy also.

Assistant Chief Harrison brought up the matter of the increase in insurance rates and the fact that the new age groupings increased the younger enrollees by a large margin, while the older enrollees went down. He asked for approval for the fire department to increase the amount they pay toward the part time employees who are eligible for insurance coverage from \$110.00/month to \$220.00 a month. He stated it would be a temporary change until we see what happens with health care in January. Dick Dare made a motion to approve the temporary increase of the fire department's share of the health care premium for the part time employees from \$110.00 /month to \$220.00 per month. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea

Mr. Lynch, after reading his copy of the minutes of the Gooch meeting, stated he was at the meeting and the minutes were inaccurate.

FISCAL MATTERS

The fiscal officer prepared checks #13394- #13456, 91443-91455 which totaled \$271,550.38.

The board examined the bills that were ready for payment and Dick Dare made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion. Vote: Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of \$211,296.96. This amount included receipts #7823– #7840.

The Fiscal Officer requested approval to transfer money from the Fire Fund to the Debt Service Fund in order to make the payment on the Fire Truck Acquisition Note and the Fire Station Improvement Bond. Mr. Dare made a motion to pass Resolution 13-0528 to approve the transfer of \$61,800.00 from the Fire Department fund to the Debt Service Fund to pay the principal on the Fire Station Improvement Bond, and to further transfer \$48,546.00 for the payment of the principal and interest due on the Fire Truck Acquisition Note. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea

With no further business to come before the board, Heath Kilburn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 P.M. Dick Dare seconded the motion.

Vote Mr. Kilburn, yea Mr. Dare, yea