

# KINGSVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR

January 14, 2009 - 7:00 pm – FIRE HALL

The regular meeting of the Kingsville Township Trustees was called to order by Mr. Dennis Huey, Chairman, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Dennis Huey moved to waive the reading of the minutes of the December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 and January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 meetings and approve them as written; motion seconded by Mr. Darrell Ensman; all yes. Copies of the minutes were available.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** 1) OTARMA insurance quote was received; 2) Plymouth Township Fire Department Fire Chief William Strubbe sent a letter advising that Rob Ocasio was a Firefighter and Basic EMT for their department and that he resigned for no known reasons and that he was not disciplined for using a township computer to access “kiddie pornography” on the internet. He stated that Catherine Colgan called and talked with him about this issue and was quite relieved after he stated the facts about any disciplinary actions that were taken against Rob Ocasio.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS OR CONCERNS:** 1) Brad Randolph of 5300 Arbor commented about Neal’s training as a firefighter. He offered his opinion regarding Neal’s handling of the Shahan and the Canter Fires based on his own experience as a firefighter. Brad said that Neal is capable in leading the Fire Department and he’s done a lot for this community. He shared his experience as to his relationship with Neal in working not only with him but for him. 2) Richard Wilkinson of Buie Road shared his thoughts regarding it is time to move on from the Fire Department problems. He said he was appalled by pictures that are on a privately owned web site. He is upset about the Fire Dept vehicles/equipment being in disrepair. 3) Charles Page spoke of his experience of working with Neal for many years in the Fire Dept and the Road Dept. He said that Neal is very capable in vehicle maintenance. 4) Michelle Seeley advised that her turn-out gear was fine prior to the Canter fire; however, when she responded to the Canter fire, her gear was compromised and some things missing. She said that this incident has happened twice. The gear compromised belonged to Michelle, Neal, Rob, Steve Mannier and Angie Cliff. Steve demonstrated how their jacket pull cords were supposed to be assembled and then how they were compromised, which could have caused a fatal situation in a fire. 5) The trustees will discuss possible projects that Eric Meier may be interested in doing to earn his Eagle Scout Award.

**OLD BUSINESS:** 1) Neal said he spoke with a representative from the F.A.S.T. company and scheduled them to do some repairs on our fire trucks so they can pass inspection. They are waiting for gauges. 2) Neal advised that the Road Dept crew has been working overtime to keep the roads plowed, salted and sanded. 3) Neal reported that a lady ran into the back of the tandem and some hinges on the doors of the sander were damaged. Neal filed a police report for this incident. 4) Mr. Huey advised that the plumbing in the rental house sprung a leak and needs to be fixed. 5) Mr. Huey advised and cautioned people spreading rumors with no proof to the truth of these rumors. 6) Mr. Huey offered Sally Donatone a copy of the run report that her husband requested and she refused to accept it stating that her husband, Joe Donatone, had to accept it. Mr. Huey said that Joe could contact him and arrange to pick up the report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 1) Mr. Huey moved to pay \$3,000 annually, paid quarterly, retro to 1/1/2009; motion seconded by Mr. Ensman; all yes. 2) Mr. Huey advised that we must find a way to secure the Fire Hall to halt equipment being compromised and putting peoples’ lives at risk. He said that we will check on systems that record the code of the person coming/leaving the building and the times. Mr. Ensman will work with the Fire Department on this issue

**SAFETY CONCERNS:** Neal advised that tree limb maintenance on Creamer Road needs done and that we should set some money back for this project.

<b>FINANCIAL REPORT:</b>	Receipts	\$	00.00
	Expenses		8,422.91
	Balance	\$	428,540.36

Mr. Reed moved to pay the bills; motion seconded by Mr. Huey; all yes.

Mr. Huey moved to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the position of the Fire Inspector; motion seconded by Mr. Ensman; on the call of the roll: Ensman,

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Yes; Huey, Yes; Reed, Yes. After discussion, the meeting was reopened to the public. With no action taken in executive session, Mr. Huey moved to return to regular session; motion seconded by Mr. Ensman; on the call of the roll: Ensman, Yes; Huey, Yes; Reed, Yes.

In regular session, Mr. Huey moved to dismiss Mr. David Plants from the duties of Fire Inspector effective 1/1/2009; motion seconded by Mr. Ensman; all yes.

Mr. Huey moved that we advertise for a new Fire Inspector; motion seconded by Mr. Ensman; all yes.

Mr. Huey advised that Neal Stewart is still the acting Fire Chief and that Neal and the Trustees are in charge of the Fire Department.

With no further business to address, Mr. Huey moved to adjourn the meeting; motion seconded by Mr. Reed; all yes.

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Dennis Huey, Chairman

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Carole L. Vanek, Fiscal Officer