

HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 12, 2019

President Daniel Mathuews called the March 12, 2019 meeting to order at 5:34 P.M. at the Township Fire House.

Roll Call:                 Daniel Mathuews     Present  
                               Gary Hopkins         Present  
                               Larry Kellough        Present

**Motion** by Larry Kellough, seconded by Daniel Mathuews, to approve the Regular and Special February 2019 minutes.

Vote:                     Larry Kellough        Yes  
                               Daniel Mathuews      Yes  
                               Gary Hopkins         Yes

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Larry Kellough, to approve payment of February 2019 bills.

Vote:                     Daniel Mathuews      Yes  
                               Larry Kellough        Yes  
                               Gary Hopkins         Yes

**GUEST:** Larry Cuckler, Fire Chief, approached the Board to ask for approval of five (5) purchase requisitions, as follows:

#1 Pickaway Ross JVS	\$537	EMT Class for Alexander Marion
#2 Pickaway Ross JVS	\$1,537	EMT Class for Bruce Stout (failed)
#3 Adams Logging	\$151.59	Chainsaw parts
#4 Larry Cuckler	\$20.24	Reimburement for disposal cups
#5 Mike Hopkins	\$3,750	Additional red gear racks by washbay

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Larry Kellough to approve all 5 purchase requisitions.

Vote:                     Daniel Mathuews      Yes  
                               Larry Kellough        Yes  
                               Gary Hopkins         Yes

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- Chief Cuckler asked the Board to approve an amendment to the Training Guidelines. Must be a firefighter first, and be with the department for two years, before EMT training will be paid. The Township will pay only one time per class; if the person fails the class, it will not be paid for again.

**Motion** by Gary Hopkins, seconded by Daniel Mathuews to approve the amendment to the training policy.

Vote:	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

- The Board discussed the condition of Easterday Road extensively. The turnarounds were created, sawhorses were built to block the road and on which to display the Road Closed signage. There are no driveways in the section of that road we are considering closing. How do you close a road? Ask County Prosecutor Jeff Marks and Ross County Engineer Charlie Ortman.
- Trustee Mathuews feels he is not needed at the Fire Department and would prefer to see the president's role changed to be the assistant for cemeteries and the road crew.

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Gary Hopkins to approve the change of role for the President of the Board.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

- The Board discussed the need for a new mower for the Road Crew since they will now mow the Huntington Township Cemetery. There is a zero turn, mower with a 42" deck at Sugar Loaf that the Board would like to purchase for around \$5300 - \$5500.

**Motion** by Gary Hopkins, seconded by Larry Kellough to approve purchasing the new mower as discussed above.

Vote:	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes
	Daniel Mathuews	Yes

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**GUEST:** Lanny Claytor, a resident, appeared before the Board to discuss the property at 2035 Rozelle Creek Road. (171409009000) He asked if the Township could mow the property; that answer is no. He contacted the Health Department and was told that the trustees could file a nuisance property complaint. He stated that vagrants had been living in the house.

- The Board discussed that resident Jeff See's 5 year term with Community Action Governing Board expires October 2019, and we wish to re-appoint him to another 5 year term.

**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Gary Hopkins to re-appoint Jeff See to a new 5 year term with the Community Action Board.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

General items under discussion:

- Discussed need to update the Fire Department SOP regarding training guidelines.
- February 2019 Run Statistics: 79 total calls of which 66 were EMS for which we answered 55 of them. 13 were fire calls and we answered 100% of those.
- The Township removed the locks and lowered the cables that had been providing security at the Huntington Township Cemetery. Many complaints regarding access had been received.
- The Board discussed purchasing a new dump truck/snow plow to replace the red one. Want one that is smaller. Will need to get a loan.
- Trustee Mathuews attended a meeting with Paul Minney, the director of Emergency Management for Ross County. We have been asked to identify damaged area and estimate the costs to repair. FEMA has declared our area a disaster area due to rains and flooding.
- No bids yet on the cemetery mowing for 2019. They are due April 5<sup>th</sup>.
- The Board briefly discussed the SAFER grant and OP&F retirement set up.

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**Motion** by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Gary Hopkins, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

ATTESTED:

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President

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Vice President

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Member

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Fiscal Officer