

**Township Board Meeting  
July 14, 2004**

Meacham called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Meacham, Frenzel, Coon, Edgett, Tanks were present.

The June 9, 2004 **monthly meeting minutes** were read. There was one change due to a typographical error. Meacham instructed that the minutes would stand approved as amended.

Discussion over the expected closure of the Fostoria branch of **Mayville State Bank** ensued. Frenzel will send a letter, written on behalf of the township board, stating our desire to have the local branch remain open.

**Lehn King** presented the township's audit for the fiscal period of April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004. King reviewed some suggestions he would like to see implemented in future records and answered some financial questions, as well.

**Cyril Thomas**, candidate for Tuscola County Drain Commissioner, introduced himself and held a brief question and answer period.

At 8:00 PM Edgett made a motion to **temporarily adjourn the regular meeting** so that Supervisor Meacham could conduct a Truth in Taxation Hearing. Motion seconded by Coon. Motion carried.

At 8:35 PM Meacham called the meeting to order and the **regular township board meeting resumed**.

**Fire Report** Chief Larry Hawe presented the fire report. the Fire Dept responded to one house fire during the month. The Department will hold a "fill the boot" campaign on August 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> to raise money for the restoration of a funeral vehicle to be used exclusively for firefighters.

**Zoning Report:** Jim Cheney issued nine zoning permits during the past 30 days.

**Maintenance:** Michelle Bell reported that the new park slide in Foster Park has been installed. There have been some problems with vandalism at Murphy Park. There was also some discussion on turning the old creamery into a storage building for the tractors and other maintenance equipment. The Bells will look further into that possibly and come up with some costs for the project.

**Cemetery Report:** Sam Fackler reported that the lock was removed from the gate at the new cemetery site. Fackler also offered to prepare new cemetery property for seed for the direct cost of fuel and any materials needed.

**Public Comment:** Mr Koteles from North Lake inquired why the township board, nor the township's attorney, attended the meeting at Tuscola County Road Commission. It was explained that the township board decided it was better for North Lake residents to give their stance on the Boucher Rd. conflict to the road commission, apart from the position of the township board.

**Treasurer's Report:** Pat Frenzel presented the June 2004 report with the following balances on June 30, 2004:

General Fund	20,378.22
Library Account	7,303.11
Murphy Park Account	573.38
Fire Dept Reserve Fund	30,279.08
Trust & Agency	20.73
Tax Collections	1.00

Coon made the motion to approve Treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Tanks. Motion carried.

**Planning Commission:** Edgett made motion to renew Dale Kowitz's soil removal permit in section 20, with fees waived in exchange for services rendered. Frenzel seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Report:** Clerk submitted vouchers as follows: The general fund's July vouchers totaled \$31,006.11; library fund at \$1,822.94; Fire Dept Fund at \$588.10. Edgett made motion to approve vouchers with the addition of the bill for the slides. Seconded by Coon. Motion Carried.

**Police Report:** Tanks presented Millerov's police report for the month of June. Millerov wants to purchase a National Directory of Law Enforcement to save time when working on cases. The board unanimously agreed that the purchase would be a good idea. Millerov's full report is on file for review in the clerk's office.

**Supervisor's Report:** Meacham reported that the new tube is in for the drive at the dump. He will work on finding a contractor to install it. Meacham also submitted a diagram for tiling at the new cemetery site

**Trustee Coon** submitted information on a water cooler for the township hall. Costs would be \$588.27, plus installation. Following discussion, the board decided that the money is not available at this time.

**Trustee Edgett** asked for permission to purchase some hoses and other equipment needed for the fire department. Tanks made motion to approve purchase of the needed equipment up to the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion was seconded by Frenzel. Edgett abstained. Motion carried.

Tanks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Coon seconded motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 10:55 PM.

Minutes prepared by: Barbara Tanks, Township Clerk

Minutes approved on \_\_\_\_\_

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John J. Meacham, Township Supervisor

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Barbara Tanks, Township Clerk