

**BUTLER COUNTY TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP
NOVEMBER 10, 2011**

President Gary Salmon called the meeting to order at 7:55pm and Steve Morgan (Fairfield Twp Trustee) introduced the other Fairfield Township Trustees, Mark Sutton, Terry Sharnhorst, and Fiscal Officer Nancy Bock.

Upon motion by Larry Frimerman (Oxford Twp) and seconded by Doug Johnson (Hanover Twp) a motion was made to approve the minutes of the September 08, 2011 meeting. The motion was approved.

Gary Salmon gave the following financial report: \$48,587.87 is on deposit in the Association's checking account.

Tim Derickson of the 53rd District reported that with the repeal of Senate Bill 5 (Issue 2), the Governor may have to revisit the budget. Also, the House may begin to investigate school funding issues.

State Senator Bill Coley discussed the reason for moving the Congressional Primaries from March to June. The reason is that the redistricting fight that is taking place in Columbus will not allow the new district mapping to be approved in time.

Fred Stitsinger of the Engineers Office said that there is a new interactive map on the BCEO website. On the website, bceo.org, go to engineering, and then tax maps.

The Auditor's Office stated that the tri-annual property values are wrapping up, and that townships should know them soon.

Roger Gates of the Prosecutors Office discussed two recent issues. He warned that Trustees need to be very careful about showing bias in the decision making process, and they are trying to determine if Fiscal Officer notes (of meeting minutes) are public records.

OKI representative Christine Maticic (Liberty Twp) reported that in Washington DC, Senator Boxer has proposed a 2-year (2012 and 2013) \$83.5B piece of legislation for Transportation. It was passed out of her committee 18-0. Now it faces three more committee hearings (Finance; Banking & Housing; and Commerce & Transportation). It will include no earmarks, but does include \$1B annually for projects of national significance as well as \$1B annually for TIFIA type projects. On the House side, House Speaker Boehner has a 6-year bill being proposed and hopes to have it through the committees by the end of the year.

A motion was introduced by Alan Daniel (Madison Twp) to allow the OKI representative to reimburse expenses. The motion was seconded by Larry Miller. The motion was approved.

Matt Franke of the Sheriff's Dept mentioned that there are only 417 days left until narrow banding takes effect. New radios can be purchased from the Sheriff. Also, replacement batteries can be

purchased for about 60% less than retail, if bought from the Sheriff. A new 911 system is being recommended to the 911 Planning Committee. A new County wide system will replace the old system and be one-third of the cost.

Tom Willsey, OTA representative, said that the Winter Conference will be held from Feb 8 until the 11th. Also, all summer sessions are over due to lack of interest.

Officers for 2012 are President Gary Salmon, Vice President Paul Gillespie, and Secretary/Treasurer Ellen Yordy.

There being no further business to come before the association, Paul Gillespie (Milford Twp) motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dennis Conrad (Reilly Twp). The motion was approved.

The next meeting will be held January 12, 2012 and will be hosted by Hanover Township.

Attendance:

Members - 24

Associates - 13

Guests - 4