

# Goshen Township 2014 Re-Organizational Meeting

## January 4, 2014

Present:                    Robert McCracken                    Todd Beeson  
                                 Roger Heineman                    Tom Knoedler

Mr. McCracken opened the 2014 Re-organizational meeting at 10:05am.

Chairman McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson, to go into executive session to discuss reorganizational issues. All voted YES.

Upon returning from executive session at 11:10am, Bob turned the meeting over to the Fiscal Officer, who opened nominations for 2014 Chairman.

### **2014-01 Trustee Chairman**

Mr. Beeson moved, seconded by Mr. Heineman, to nominate Mr. McCracken as Chairman. Beeson and Heineman voted YES, McCracken abstained. Mr. McCracken was declared Chairman for the Year 2014.

At this point, the Fiscal Officer turned the meeting over to the Chairman.

### **2014-02 Vice-Chairman**

Nominations were opened for Vice-Chairman. Mr. McCracken moved, seconded by Mr. Beeson, to nominate Mr. Heineman for the office of Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Year 2014. McCracken and Beeson voted YES. Mr. Heineman abstained. Mr. Heineman was declared Vice-Chairman for the Year 2014.

### **2014-03 Salaries for Trustees / Fiscal Officer**

The Trustees and the Fiscal Officer will be paid according to State Statutes, the amount set by the State Auditor for the budget range of the township's General Fund operating budget.

### **2014-04 Monthly Meetings**

Regular township meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00pm at the Township Administration building. Payroll is bi-weekly, done electronically, and approved at regular meetings.

### **2014-05 Holidays, Vacations, Sick Time, Bereavement, Jury Duty**

Holidays, Vacations, Sick Time, Bereavement & Jury pay will be paid as noted in the department policy manuals.

### **2014-06 Road Department Personnel**

Trustees rehired Jim Stryfeller as Road Department Foreman at \$17.25 per hour with benefits and rehired Randy Smith as full-time Road Department employee at \$12.05 per hour, effective 12/29/2013, with benefits noted in the Road Department policy manual.

### **2014-07 Road Department Clothing Allowance**

Clothing allowance will be paid as follows:

Full-time	\$600 per year.
Part-time	\$450 per year

### **2014-08 Road Department Seasonal Employees**

Seasonal Road Department personnel will be hired at \$10.05 per hour, with no benefits.

### **2014-09 Road Department Hours**

Normal working hours are 7:00am – 3:30pm, 40 hours per week, Monday thru Friday. Trustees to assist with scheduling if they feel the need arises.

### **2014-10 Mileage**

Mileage will be paid at \$.56/mile, payment of necessary expense for parking and lodging to Trustees, Fiscal Officer, and township employees for business outside the township, and meals, including tips, up to a maximum of \$35.00/day.

### **2014-11 Fire Prevention**

John Bricker was appointed Fire Prevention Officer until our February meeting with no pay.

### **2014-12 Recycling Coordinator**

Paul Manypenny was rehired as Recycling Coordinator at \$11.55/hour. Jessica Zepernick was rehired as part-time assistant at \$10.05/hour. New rates are effective 12/29/2013. The Seacrist Road site will be attended Wednesday and Saturday from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

### **2014-13 Police Personnel**

Police personnel with the exception of Reserve Officers will receive a \$.25 increase. Reserve Officers will be increased to \$8.50/hr. New rates are effective 12/29/2013. Police Uniform Allowance will be paid after the first quarter of the year.

## **2014-14 Budgets**

The police department will continue fees as laid out by the Ohio Revised Code utilized by the Ohio State Patrol for crash reports at a cost of \$4.00 and \$4.00 for color photographs. Also adopted ORC.Sec 311.17 for bonding and arrest fees. Police Department to bill \$ .25 for other copies.

## **2014-15 Cemeteries**

Cemetery prices were set as follows:

Graves - Township resident	\$450.00 per grave
Graves - Non-twp resident	\$900.00 per grave

Grave opening/closing were set as follows:

Burial	Monday thru Friday	\$500.00
Cremation burial	Monday thru Friday	\$325.00

Burial/Cremations Saturdays and permitted holidays \$175.00 additional  
Burials arriving at the cemetery after 2:00pm weekdays \$100.00 additional  
No Sunday burials will be conducted.

## **2014-16 Cemetery Foundations**

Foundation prices: \$40.00 per sq.ft, with a \$165.00 minimum charge.  
Foundations will be six (6") inches larger than marker/stone size, 36" deep.

## **2014-17 Fiscal Officer's Budget**

The Fiscal Officer presented figures for 2014, based on 2013 ending balances:

Beginning balance on 01/01/2014:	\$ 613,467.65
Anticipated Income:	\$1,252,310.53
Anticipated Expense:	<u>\$1,565,853.88</u>
Anticipated 2014 year-end Balance:	\$ 299,924.30

## **2014-18 Areas of Responsibility**

The Township Trustees agreed to continue as a board in supervising the business of the township as follows:

- Mr. Beeson & Mr. Heineman - cemeteries
- Mr. McCracken - Police Liason for the Police Dept.
- Mr. McCracken - monitor equipment needs and repairs for the Police Dept.
- Mr. Heineman - monitor equipment needs and repairs for the Road Dept.
- Mr. Beeson - to be in charge of house numbering in the township.
- Mr. Beeson & Mr. Heineman - to be members of the Township Firemen's Dependency Board.
- Mr. Knoedler & Mr. McCracken - serve on the Township Records Commission.

Trustees shall act as a Board in the need of road building, repairs, and maintenance.

**2014-19 Road Maintenance**

The township road program for 2014 was adopted as follows:  
improve culverts and upgrade Smith-Goshen Road  
improve North Stratton Road drainage  
Mill Street  
Seacrist Road – S.R. 14 to S.R. 165  
Diagonal Road drainage is complete – needs seal coated  
Duck Creek Road – from SR 165 to Pine Lake Rd.

Requests to the County:

Berming  
Brush needs to be cut back from county roads  
Culvert replacement on county roads as needed.  
Pave Middletown Rd. – from Duck Creek to Stratton Rd.  
Pave Middletown Rd. – from S.R. 534 to Seacrist Rd.  
Pave Diagonal Road from Rt. 165 to Duck Creek Rd.  
Pave Garfield Road from S.R. 14 to S.R. 534

**2014-20 Charge for Copies**

There will be no charge for copies up to 25 copies.  
Over 25 copies will be charged \$.25 per page, starting with page 1.

**2014-21 Building Rental**

Gym rental at \$20.00 per hour with a 2 hour minimum and meeting room rental at \$75.00 for 6 hours.

All of the above motions were voted upon at one time.

Mr. McCracken moved, seconded by Mr. Heineman to approve the above.  
All voted YES.

The next meeting January 9, 2014 at 7:00PM.

McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson, to adjourn at 11:20am.  
All voted YES.

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Robert McCracken, Chairman

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Todd Beeson, Vice Chairman

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Roger Heineman, Trustee

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Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer