

Scioto Township Meeting
June 8, 2011

Chas Kaiser called the June 8, 2011 meeting of the Scioto Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.

All in attendance joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call answered by: Sandra Stults, Rodger C. Finks and Chas Kaiser.

Others in attendance: Brandon Vincent, Scott Shaffner, Eldon Johnston, Bill Swaney, Andy Zarins, John Zarins, Terry Adams, Bill Bivens, Jason Hutchisson, Bruce Stayner, Mike Knapp, Brenda Jervis, John Sanial-Banrey.

Chas: We have some guests here tonight who have asked to speak. Please make your comments as brief as you can. Terry, you are up first. Please use the microphone so we got you on the recorder.

Sandra: Say your name so we know who you are.

Terry: Hi, I'm Terry Adams, I live on Jacktown Road. Why I came this evening was to make a request to use the Community Hall as an outreach for our church, High Point Nazarene Church in Delaware, to do a small group study. I know the building is in use every week-end. We'd like to see if we could possibly use it on your off nights. We considered using our home, but we have animals and there may be allergies and stuff like that. I talked to Pastor Kevin to see if we could at least start the group here. Like I said on an off night if that would be possible.

Chas: I think one thing we need to check on is with the Prosecuting Attorney to make sure we are not in conflict. Are you profit or non-profit? How are you paying your dues? We have a fee of \$25.00 per use of the Service Hall.

Terry: We are non-profit. We can provide the right paper work for non-profit as a church. Tax forms and all of that.

Chas: What are you looking at for time frame? How long would your sessions last? What would it consist of?

Terry: I would say typically 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. or maybe a little later. Just an evening setting.

Sandra: Like a small group Bible Study?

Terry: Somewhat. It is similar to that; we'd want to have a small service, music and all that. Kevin would come and speak. I would probably speak as well. My idea is to grow it into something we have investigated over the years. It's called Multi-Site Church. I've been in communications with Charlene at the School. So if we could grow it into where, you know, it would pick up so we could go to the gymnasium. That would be the hopes of seeing something happen like that. Really current modern sitting with video and, you know, stuff like that. We have our own technology so we wouldn't need to borrow or rent that equipment.

Rodger: The only issue I can see with that is that we are a Government Entity and you are a Church. Are we going, you know, get ourselves in trouble being a Township? We can obviously get an opinion from the County Prosecutor to find out whether there would be any conflict there. I'd hate to say at this point a yes or no.

Terry: Right, this is an investigation type of proposal to see if it would be possible. That's why I'm here tonight.

Rodger: You are looking at a Church Service type deal?

Terry: Eventually, we'll start as a small group obviously by starting with 10 to 15 people. That's what we are hoping. Then if we go bigger than that we would obviously want to move to the school site because of the gymnasium. We have already communicated in the past and if it is still available they would let us use the cafeteria for the children. It's kind of a campus proposal which it will be eventually. But we need a place to start.

Chas: Terry, what is the name of it?

Terry: It would be called High Point West Campus. That's part of the High Point Nazarene Church, on Pollock Road, Delaware, Ohio. I'm on staff there.

Chas: Okay. You guys are set up as a Church, nonprofit?

Terry: Yes, definitely a Church nonprofit.

Chas: You got a tax ID number and things like that?

Terry: Yeah, it's been in existence for many years. It's a bigger church.

Sandra: Do you have your 501C?

Terry: Yeah, we got all that information.

Chas: Let us do a little research with the Prosecutor to get their opinion.

Terry: Okay.

Chas: Then we can get back to you. You are aware of the \$25.00.

Terry: Right, that is similar to the school. This is something more feasible for a small 10-15 group of people.

Chas: Okay.

Terry: Thanks for your time.

Chas: Brandon

Brandon: My name is Brandon Vincent, 9525 DeGood Road; I wanted to know how to go about filling in the road ditch? Put tile in and back fill with dirt.

Rodger: Where are you on DeGood Road?

Chas: Almost to McBride Road.

Rodger: Right next to you?

Scott: Yeah, right where the dump trucks sit.

Rodger: I guess I don't have a problem with it as long as we have an adequate tile and probably a collector drain somewhere along through there.

Chas: One of the stipulations the county provides is a mathematical sheet of slopes which drains still off the road. Still got to put in the same size of pipe, perforated pipe, got to cover it with gravel, got to have some inlets to it so the surface water can still get in other than just through the perforations of the pipe. I did a drive by today and I think you are a candidate because I think your ditch is deep enough. One thing to consider is we are having DeGood Road totally re-done this summer. I don't know where the alignment is, whether some of that may be changed or not. I would probably have to say we are going to have to hold off right now until we see where everything lines up and see if maybe your ditch sits back according to where the right-a-way is first. What is there a problem with your ditch?

Brandon: No, no, it's fine. I just thought it would be easier to mow. It's steep.

Chas: You keep it maintained very well. It is one of the nicest ones I saw down through there.

Brandon: Mr. Lowe down the road has all that dirt that we could have if we loaded it. So I just figured it would be easier to mow that baby.

Chas: If we did do that we would probably get involved with specifications to follow and make sure you are following the guidelines to help the road drain also.

Rodger: I don't have a problem of filling in a ditch as long as we can keep the surface water moving down the ditch line.

Brandon: Rarely is there water laying in it. Yet, at the same time you have to grade it and gets the water flowing and all that stuff.

Chas: I did notice on your house side of that ditch, you got a hill. Are you planning on doing anything with that? Do you have water that is standing in your yard because it can't get to that ditch?

Brandon: Right, it stands out there in the front yard for a little bit.

Chas: So are you planning on grading that to the ditch?

Brandon: Put tile in or grade it. One or the other.

Chas: Okay, let us find the alignment first.

Rodger: I'd like to see us wait until the road is done. Then go out and re-assess it then, you know. Then we can find the slope and you know what the size of tile is.

Chas: It may change the road, may be raised up 2 or 3 inches. No sense of you doing the work prematurely.

Chas: Eldon, when do you think that is scheduled?

Eldon: July 1st is when we should find out. I'll promote OPWC and you should get your official letter July 1st.

Rodger: I'd say it would be August before they would start the work.

Eldon: Hopefully it depends on their schedules. The contractors schedule and getting the contract signed.

Brandon: Once they get the road done I'll check back.

Chas: Check back with us after the road work is complete. What is a contact number?

Brandon: 614-312-9014.

Chas: How do you spell you last name?

Brandon: Vincent.

Chas: Very good, thanks. Anyone else?

Chas: Eldon.

Eldon: I tried to keep my hand down. What do you have for me? I have a totally blank sheet here. What do we have left undone?

Chas: I guess what we briefly talked about, I would like to finalize whether we wait or not. I would still like to finalize where we are at on the proposal on borrowing money from the County?

Eldon: I'll ask Chris tomorrow.

Chas: I know it was going through Eric and all the channels of the Prosecutor's Office. If there is a protocol type of draft sheet I could look at.

Eldon: Have you seen anything since you were in?

Chas: Since that meeting? No.

Eldon: Nothing, so as far as you know it's a process thing?

Chas: Yes.

Elson: Okay.

Rodger: Can you put on your list, ugh, I guess, ugh, making sure we are notified when they are going to switch over to the low band system?

Eldon: Oh, yes. Radio system?

Rodger: I know it was originally to be April, then May, then?

Eldon: I know they had trouble with the repeaters.

Rodger: Will you call Jerry?

Chas: Yes, I'll call Jerry.

Eldon: Are you getting our Newsletter?

Rodger: I got it on E-mail.

Eldon: Chas, we've tried 3 E-mails and haven't succeeded.

Chas: I'm not getting it.

Rodger: Are they going to spam on yours?

Chas: Maybe.

Eldon: You might want to check your spam.

Chas: I check it all the time.

Eldon: We have found out some of them are if it doesn't recognize the return address it goes directly to spam.

Chas: Let me give you another one.

Rodger: It would probably easier if you E-mailed them.

Eldon: Why don't you E-mail.

Chas: E--mail you?

Eldon: That would be fine.

Rodger: Give him a junk message for a test.

Chas: What's your E-main address?

Eldon: Johnston,Eldon@Gmail.com. I'll forward that on to Clinton and make sure he got it.

Chas: Okay.

Eldon: They are going out, depends on the need, but I'd say six weeks, maybe.

Sandra: Do you have a good list for all the townships?

Eldon: We have a very good list. None of them are getting kicked back, so I know it is a good list. We are not getting any of them back. We can see who opened them and when they were opened, how many times they opened that type of thing. They are going through.

Sandra: Then I better start opening it.

Eldon: That's up to you. But there is good information.

Chas: Anything going on in the county that is upcoming that we should know about?

Eldon: Brown Road is still scheduled for July the last I heard.

Chas: Mid July?

Eldon: Yes.

Rodger: Good, 120 day project?

Eldon: I don't remember, I'll check on that. I looked at the latest list that I had and it said July. Honestly I haven't heard any talk in the office. That would be the only major project other than the re-surfacing work at the freeway.

Chas: Our boys have helped out a little bit on the last couple of wind storms. They took care of a couple of county roads for you, so we could get to our own township roads.

Eldon: Thank you.

Bill Swaney: The culvert on Warrensburg road right at Warren Road.

Eldon: Right, there at the bridge, the low spot?

Bill: I heard that culvert was going to be re-done at Warrensburg Road.

Eldon: I don't know, I can find out. Warren Road dead ends into Warrensburg Road. Where does it cross?

Bill: Right when Warrensburg Road make center. The culvert itself is running east and west.

Eldon: I got you. What's your name and phone number/

Bill: Bill Swaney, 614-448-7928 oups was out there and the road was painted a couple of times last summer.

Eldon: Okay, I'll check.

Chas: I don't have anything else.

Eldon: Hopefully the deal with the Prosecutor will go through.

Rodger: There was one thing I was going to ask. The culvert under Stover Road, ugh, you got Stover going, ugh and then Dean Road coming in. Stover going like this, the The culvert under the road on the south side, does that belong to the County or Township?

Eldon: Where is it in relationship to the radius?

Rodger: If you want to come up here a second you got 36, then Stover Road and then Dean Road goes off like this. The culvert is right here and I don't know if it is ours or the County's.

Eldon: I can check our culvert inventory and let you know.

Chas: When you come to an intersection like that, how far, you said radius?

Eldon: Typically the right-a-way, but again –

Rodger: That one is an iffy as far as I am concerned. I don't know whose it is.

Eldon: I'll check and see if it's on our inventory and get back to you.

Chas: I'll speak to Jerry about the one down here on Brindle Road.

Rodger: I think that one is actually on the county side, I do believe. We opened it up but it's on the county side.

Tom: It reminded me, not for Eldon but for the Trustees when you finish with Eldon.

Chas: Eldon, that's all we got.

Eldon: Thank you. See you all.

Tom: Culvert in the radius reminded me that at the end of Russell Road there are some new oups marking. It's at the same area where the culvert was and the ends were repaired last fall. I wondered if the Trustees know of any activities getting ready to happen there.

Rodger: We had asked the State to do something about that culvert last year. All they did was actually extended it and put concrete there.

Tom: Yes they covered the ends and put on an extension on.

Rodger: Are they doing more? I haven't heard.

Tom: There are new oups markings. Just wondered if the Trustees knew that.

Rodger: I've seen those.

Chas: Anybody else? Okay let's move on.

Sandra: I move to accept the minutes as presented.

Rodger: I'll second. Vote: unanimous.

Chas: Susie, what do you have for us?

Susan: I need a resolution to increase our appropriations 2041-410-490 by \$465.00.

Rodger: Actually you need \$1,015.00 for the other cemetery plots we bought back. I can give you a motion for a resolution to increase the appropriations 2041-410-490 to increase that up to \$1,015.00.

Sandra: I'll second. Vote: unanimous

Resolution number 06-08-2011 \$1,015.00

Susan: I also need to amend the Purchase Order 05-13-2011 we had for Amanda Plumbing for \$190.00 which was for last month. The bill came in at \$200.00. There was a \$10.00 fee for travel and fuel.

Rodger: I make a motion to amend the motion that was made last month for the Purchase Order made to Amanda Plumbing from \$190.00 to \$200.00/

Sandra: I'll second the amendment. Vote: unanimous

Susan: I handed you two sheets of paper with a list of seven account numbers to transfer from one account number to another number. It has occurred do to us changing the pay system. We were taking everyone's pay from the General Account. That's where the appropriations of money was placed. We have switched the employees pay to come from Motor Vehicle, Gasoline Tax and Road & Bridge. Now I have to make transfers from General to the appropriate accounts for Medicare, Worker's Comp, and Pers. The way the UAN system is set up we will have to continue this process for awhile. I can read all these numbers if you'd like.

Rodger: I will make a motion for a resolution for the Fiscal Officer to move the appropriate funds as listed on the handout she presented. If anyone would like to see these numbers please feel free to come up and look over these account. You are more than welcome.

Chas: Dates from April 13th thru April 29th?

Susan: Yes. We'll have it all to do this month also. Esther will come back and will have it all to do over for May. We are hoping to get things corrected in the near future.

Chas: I'll second. Vote: unanimous

Chas: Thomas, you are up.

Tom: There was no BZA activity. There was no May meeting of the Scioto Township Zoning Commission. I had three Zoning applications and issued 3 zoning certificates were issued:

3479 Warrensburg Road, residential garage, FR-1
3821 Burnt Pond Road, new residence, FR-1
3851 Fry Road, room addition, FR-1

I did not attend the May meeting of the DCRPC. No written complaints, Kenny and Carol Drake violation on Brindle Road has aged 30 days. Violations still exists but automobiles have been moved to rear of property and are no longer visible from the road. Additional phone complaints of Mr. Drake's activities at his home on St. Rt. 257S, specifically junk cars being hauled in, old refrigerators and etc.

I have received several verbal complaints from one person on Kenny and Carol Drake. On April 25th was the receipt of the violation on Brindle Road to Kenny and Carol Drake. On May 25th that violation would have aged. That violation still exists in that they are unlicensed and looks like a junk yard. There are still 6 vehicles on that 6 acre property. They are at the rear of the property and not visible from the road. I can't swear they are unlicensed, but from the pictures I took from the right-a-way and a little bit off the right-a-way it looks like a junk yard with all the weeds grown up. He has been to my house and his intentions are to put four of those six vehicles in a structure that is on those six acres. I looked at that structure and it is open and empty and has probable room for four vehicles in there. I have pictures for the Trustees to look at. I'm not sure exactly how to pursue that one. The stuff that was out near the road right away, there is still one piece of equipment that's an eyesore. Mr. Drake insists it's an agriculture piece of equipment and is adamant that the Township can't do anything about that.

Chas: In Zoning is there anything in there about being functional?

Tom: In agricultural side I've never even considered that. I've always considered, the first thing you learn in Zoning is nothing in the Zoning Code will affect agriculture. So, I've never called anyone on that. I don't think it's my job to decide when a piece of equipment is non-functional and not still good for parts, so I've never tried that. This particular piece of equipment doesn't look agriculture to me, looks more like mining or some sort of a conveyor belt of some sort. Certainly no agriculture occurs on that six acre parcel.

Chas: Maybe we need to get a description of that piece of equipment that he has got.

Tom: I'd have to trespass to look for the name of the manufacture or something.

Chas: He should have to provide that to us.

Tom: I am trying to get a meeting with him in my office and I'd like to have one Trustee present to address that violation and also the phone complaints I have had on his other two properties. The property he lives in and the one across the street that his granddaughter lives in, that he owns. He hasn't gotten back to me yet. I didn't try until after the holiday week-end. I've tried 3 or 4 days but he won't answer his phone. I will probably look at the Trustees for some help. I think that many of the issues on 257 may be outside the Township jurisdiction. Some are drainage, but I also think long history of him being a quasi and a junk collector. It is true he drags cars in and cuts them up and hauls them to Sims. I don't think he has any commercial activity where the public comes and gets parts. He is a junk man – junk collector.

Chas: A hoarder.

Tom: He's a hoarder. But not a whole lot of commercial activity coming in and stuff. The adjacent neighbors are just tired of it. Both the Brindle Road and I would guess without doing a survey of the neighbors, I bet the Brindle Road property the adjacent property owners don't have any complaints.

Rodger: I think you are wrong there.

Tom: The complaints I took from the Brindle Road property, even when it was at its worst was really no written complaints except I took a statement from a Township Employee. But none of the neighbors, when it was much, much worse. I had two or three phone calls, but no one would leave their name. In fact some of them were very careful to block their phone numbers when they call. So if the neighbors up there are vocal, they are not vocal enough to sign a written complaint or leave contact information. I pursued that one with Mr. Beckley, the Township Employee.

Rodger: Have you contacted the County Prosecutor after the complaint?

Tom: I have not. The 30 days would have expired the 25th of May. There has been action, activity and improvement. He came to my house on the 22nd or 23rd the Sunday before his expiration. I thought on good faith there certainly progress being made. Haven't call the Prosecutor's yet. I would like for him to come to the office and make some kind of commitment and then pursue it that way.

Chas: I agree. If you can't get a hold of him, give me his number and I'll try.

Tom: I hesitate to call his son, who's in the phone book. I would encourage the Trustees to drive by, particularly the Brindle Road property, that's the one that's really aged. You might have some keys you would like to push and look at that one piece of equipment. Talk to some of the neighbors.

Rodger: I've been by there and most of what I saw in the old part that was sold, several pieces of whatever you want to call it was moved from the old barnyard out into the field.

Tom: That's for except one piece that he claims is agricultural. That's all they have cleaned up. Those pieces aren't scattered down in the field and are all at the back. There aren't any pieces of equipment in there, its six vehicles that are not visible from the road.

Rodger: They went from the front to the back; back by the ditch is where they went.

Tom: But I don't think there is any cars back there now. I tip toed a little out of the right-a-way and took some pictures. I think there are just the six vehicles back there, and an operational semi and trailer. I assume it is licensed.

Rodger: No.

Tom: No, really, it looks operational. It looks like it was driven back there. The cars don't look like they were driven back there.

Chas: You haven't heard anything about the membership on the Regional Planning then, right?

Tom: I have had one conversation with the director. Told him my intention was not to attend the meetings in the meantime. Practically I figured I was going to be the topic of the meeting. I didn't want to sit there and hear them talk about Scioto Township not being introduced and didn't think I'd be very comfortable. I was informed that he had communicated something to the Trustees and had not had a response. That's all I know, I don't know if it merited a response.

Chas: Who was that?

Tom: Scott Saunders, Director. Had a conversation with him ten days ago. I still feel comfortable enough of a relationship to call and ask him questions in Zoning and ask have you ever ran across this before kind of stuff. Certainly not official or something coming before the Commission. Comfortable enough to ask some questions. He has been polite enough to take my calls.

Sandra: That's the letter he sent us and told us we didn't have a choice about paying the dues.

Chas: Do you remember if it warranted a response or not?

Sandra: Not really.

Rodger: I didn't feel it needed a response.

Tom: Did I miss hearing at last month meeting you were going to refer that to the Prosecutors to see if there was an opinion whether or not it was disgracing or not.

Chas: My comment during the last meeting was based on Sherwood Hills. If that went through then we'd get some money. Until something like that comes up our budget doesn't allow it. But maybe I need to tell them that.

Tom: I didn't see the letter. He just said he had not had a response.

Chas: Okay. Mr. Marvin you are up.

Marvin: Have you guys been reading the E-mails on the trucks and stuff up to date?

Chas: Yes.

Marvin: Completed the installations of the hydrants last week. I do have the bill, but I wanted to confirm they were all installed. Bill has confirmed they were, all ten have been installed.

Chas: The new list is out right? That is proposed for projection.

Bill: That's the five you guys approved. I do not have a list yet. I do have the areas I am interested in placing them. They do know we want five more hydrants.

Rodger: There in a put a lot of hydrants mode in right now.

Marvin: They go from township to township. You just get in line. They won't be back here for; it could be a year or could be two years.

I have two purchase orders tonight. It's basically for four sets of turnout gear from two vendors. I told you guys we were switching vendors for our turn out gear. The first one is to Fire-Safety Service, Inc. for four sets of turn-out gear for \$9000.00. The second one is to Warren Fire Equipment, Inc. for helmets, gloves and hoods for \$1,500.00.

I budgeted \$12,000.00 this year for gear. Price comparison from last year to this year and it went up \$24.00 for a set of gear. Everything else about the same.

Rodger: I know you switched vendors, is it actually a different manufacture?

Marvin: It will be a different manufacture. We are going from Jamesville to Fire Dx same material.

Chas: Does this cover the new employees?

Marvin: No, this is the ten year replacement gear. I'm not in the habit of buying new gear for our new people for a couple of years. As long as we have stuff here we do buy boots and helmets. We try to outfit them with the gear we have first. If they are going to work out, then comes the new gear.

Sandra: I would like to commend you on that. Thank you.

Chas: What do you do with the four outfits you replace?

Marvin: They are disposed of.

Rodger: Motion to purchase four sets of turn-out gear from Fire-Safety Services, Inc. in Huntsville, Ohio for \$9,000.00.

Sandra: I'll second. Vote: unanimous.

PO 06-08-2011 Fire-Safety Services, Inc. \$9,000.00

Rodger: Motion to purchase helmets, gloves and hoods from Warren Fire Equipment, Inc. in Warren, Ohio for \$1,500.00.

Sandra: I'll second. Vote: unanimous

PO 06-09-2011 Warren Fire Equipment \$1,500.00

Marvin: Pump test was completed last week and serviced, everything passed. All the trucks are back up to par. John Rideout did finish that auto charge unit last week also. The boat motor was serviced. I took it up and they ran it on Sunday.

Chas: Was it just because it hadn't been used?

Marvin: Probably, they took it to Ellis Dam for training.

Chas: Do you know what they did to it?

Marvin: Service wise? I can get you a copy. Plugs read charge and low on oil. I'll get you a copy.

Chas: Something we ought to do, I'm not familiar with stabils. But winter time that boat isn't out but run stabil through that, it really helps.

Different remarks: It is highly recommended. I use it in my bike.

Marvin: When coming back Saturday morning from Indian Lake I caught Rob Leeds and talked to him. We have to complete our Emergency Vehicle Driving Maneuverability somewhere. We don't have any place big enough to do that. So we had talked (Officers) about using his parking lot. Rob is okay with us doing that. He wants to get the hay off first. Once that is done we can come out set the course up. We have to do that every two years. We had the instructional part over the winter so now we have to do the maneuvers

part this summer. Rob's okay with that so once the hay is off we'll go out and set up are plans for the course.

Chas: Good.

Sandra: Will there be any liability for the Township for doing it on his property?

Marvin: I suppose if we caught his field on fire there would be.

Rodger: Think we can put it out?

Marvin: That's the only issue I can see, from the exhaust. If we need to draw something up we can. I'll talk to Thomas. He is coming up in a couple of weeks to review the firefighter's policy.

Sandra: Okay, thanks.

Marvin: That's about all, next Tuesday I do have a Fire Chief's Meeting. Maybe I'll have an update from there. I guess I don't like the fact that they have divided the north and south over this whole thing. I'm guessing we are endorsing not to support this study at this time. Do you have any questions?

Rodger: Your exercise equipment - Worker's Comp.?

Marvin: Oh, I'm sorry. The verb age. Do you want it to read exercise equipment or each piece of equipment listed? How do you want that listed on the waiver?

Rodger: How does it come up on the waiver, actually I didn't look it up. It's been a while since I've seen it. How is it worded?

Marvin: Recreational Activities and Fitness Programs.

Sandra: Sounds good.

Rodger: Ugh, I guess my opinion at this point would be list the equipment. Exercise bike, tread mill, and whatever is there. I guess that's my opinion.

Chas: How much equipment is there that is being used?

Marvin: Can't hear his response.

Rodger: We could be general, but there again, it probably doesn't have to go down to model, serial number, but that everything is here at this location, correct?

Marvin: Yes.

Chas: That would be fine. I think we ought to list it.

Marvin: Car show coming up on Saturday. Same weekend as the Radio Club. Is that right?

Bruce: Yes.

Marvin: We have two events that day. We will be going to Radnor over the 4th of July weekend to their 50th Anniversary Program also. They will have their Water Ball Competition an Open House July 2nd. Then all our activities for the 4th of July. Bruce is still doing the bike thing.

Chas: Bruce, how is that coming on your volunteers?

Bruce: Slow do you want to volunteer?

Chas: Are you going to be able to pull it off?

Bruce: Susan has a name for me to call to help get volunteers. A group out of Delaware, expressed interest in helping.

Chas: We'll move on to Old Business:

Rodger: Talked to Steve today. Finally dried out and his pump broke. Everything should be done within the next week or two.

Chas: Before the end of the month?

Rodger: That's what he is telling me.

Chas: Sandra, you are up.

Sandra: It's finally starting to dry out. Rob Kurtz and I have been talking. They have had a devil of a time trying to get their ballgames in. Every time they do play they put a pump at 1st base. They take off 200-300 gallons of water he said before they can play. They have been talking to somebody about coming in and doing some drainage work to that area. I told him about the pipe. He said that didn't look like that was going to be enough, but they have someone working on it. The other coaches are working on it to give me a date that we could go over there and work on it. What I'd like to do is try to get the sod removed where we are going to set the bleachers. We still have quite a bit of money in the grant. We've got plenty of money left in that grant to cover that work.

Chas: Funds are available all we have to do is go get it.

Sandra: Great.

Chas: I think with the help from Rob, the best way is get an area marked out. The simple way to kill the grass is put some plastic in that area that you want to kill.

Sandra: Instead of taking it up. I was thinking about digging it down a couple of inches and put stone down.

Chas: You could do that too, but it would be nice to kill some of the grass.

Sandra: Okay. Round up works.

Chas: That's chemical.

Sandra: I'll check with measurements and get plastic down.

Rodger: We've got some glyphosphate. That wouldn't take too long to spray. There is five to ten gallon.

Sandra: If someone needs sod, put it on Craig's List. Come take it up, it's yours.

Chas: We finally did get our policy in right, Susie?

Susan: Yes, we did.

Rodger: The whole binder?

Susan: The whole binder. The lady was in about the loss control. She left two or three sheet she would like to see put in use for the maintenance department. It's a check list for the vehicles.

Rodger: Vehicle inspection. I can give them one of them.

Sandra: The firefighters need to do it before going on a run?

Susan: No, she didn't think that was necessary. That's done after they come in not before an emergency.

Rodger: That's something I wanted to ask Marvin. How are your brakes doing? How often are we doing the adjustments?

Marvin: We've never done any adjustments. We can have them check whenever we want.

Rodger: I was just curious.

Marvin: We haven't had any issues.

Chas: How are the runs? Are you up or down from this time last year?

Marvin: About average.

Chas: Did you do any checking on Worker's Comp as far as premium percentages or you going to bite the bullet and eat it?

Marvin: Bite the bullet. It just takes away from something else we may think about doing. Maybe I'll ask the question next week when Thomas is here.

Rodger: The inspection report, is it a daily sheet?

Susan: It has a full week on the form.

Rodger: That will be good for them.

Chas: We will need to implement that sooner than later probably.

Susan: The lady has not been here to check the buildings. I have a key for Houston and Second Street. Does that key work for the park?

Rodger: No, it doesn't. That key is for Houston Street and all the buildings at Second Street. There is a spare set of keys in there and we will pull off the key for the barn at the park.

Chas: Better check with Jim and Gary to see if they are around to help her get the door open.

Susan: I'd rather do that. I don't want the key.

Rodger: There are two different keys for buildings at the park. One for the barn and the other for the other building.

Susan: Let me find one of the boys.

Rodger: There you go.

Susan: I would rather do that.

Chas: The guys have been out and opened up the ditch up there across from Tony Ewing's property on Carr Road. 625 feet with 10 inches of fall and ran the water north. So far we haven't had any down pours to test it out. I shot it a few times and everything seemed to check out. Needs a little clean up and pride in their work to make it look a little bit nicer. At least the problem is solved and I am anxious to see what it will do.

Marvin: Where was that at, Chas?

Rodger: Carr Road, do you know where Tony Ewing lives?

Chas: Be the 4th house south of DeGood on the west side of the road. We have some markers up. We had to cut out about two feet of ditch to make the water run north.

Rodger: Hopefully that one is done and we need to get them over on Stover Road by Rodney Herriott's. Oups has already been there.

Sandra: It's such a nice little pond-lake probably fish in it.

Chas: Anymore Old Business?

NEW BUSINESS

Chas: Speaking of fish. We have had an incident up at the Scioto Township Park. Yesterday we had a call that there were fish floating. I did get a call back from Massey's a testing lab from Plain City. Some of the testing for oxygen deficiency, the PH and the ammonia testing are fairly reasonable. They can probably do all three of those for less than \$50.00. Anything more we would have to identify what they are testing for and the prices vary. You could test and test and test. We need to ----

Rodger: Health Department won't do anything?

Chas: Not unless it's a pool.

Rodger: Not unless it's a pool?

Sandra: What could be causing the oxygen deficiency any idea?

Rodger: They didn't say that.

Chas: No, that's been the opinion of most. The heat got to them and the cold water moved up to the top and the top water, which was warm, moved down south and the fish couldn't take it. The pond flipped, it does that sometimes. Mother Nature's taking its course. We need to decide if we need to run some samples down to them. They are more than willing to set up an account for us. But, I'd say if we could stay under the \$50.00 it may be just a piece of mind to give the residents an answer.

Tom: Did you have a problem with both bodies of water?

Rodger: Nobody cares about the back one. I'm sorry that is nasty.

: Any sealer been used on it?

Rodger: No, nothing.

Chas: There has been on run off. This happened Monday night and Tuesday morning they were floating. Monday they were fine. You are talking 3 to 4 feet Amur and two or three dozen blue gills and bass.

Rodger: I'd say let's go ahead with the basic tests and have them hold the samples and see what, you know, to see if it is an oxygen deficiency , PH or something.

Chas: Ammonia, those are the three basic.

Rodger: If it comes out one of those, fine. If it comes out it's not one of the three, we can do a nitrate test and then from there someone might have----.

Chas: Sabotaged.

Rodger: Sabotaged and we may never know.

Chas: We can test it all we want, what's good is that going to do other than, the fish are dead. Why spend the money on something that is already done.

Marvin: If it's lack of oxygen, you could put an aerator system in.

Chas: To help that. We don't have any power at that point right there.

Tom: Gary Lowe had volunteered to help with the ponds. Don't know if he would be a resource.

Rodger: Well, he was treating it for awhile up until the licensing issue. At that point I think that is when he got out of it. I know Gary and I do not have an aquatic license.

Marvin: Chas, you mentioned last night that happened to another pond close by also. A couple of years ago.

Chas: It happened to mine about five years ago. Where it was a hot day and hot evening, late spring, early summer they came floating. It's not like it is uncommon. It is common.

Sandra: Is it like an inversion type of thing?

???: What action did you take at that time?

Chas: Fed the vultures.

Sandra: What about contacting Soil and Water and ask them about it?

Chas: I haven't. I was thinking about Parks and Recreations to, but when I finally got a call back from Massey's Industries I thought that was fairly reasonable. At least the initial testing.

Sandra: I'd be happy to call Soil and Water and check with them to see if they could give us any advice on the streams. I am on the Water Shed Committee. That's not too far from ponds.

Chas: Okay, Rodger, New Business – Cemetery Deed buy back.

Rodger: We've had two residents requested of the Township to purchase their cemetery plots they had purchased prior. The one was done a month ago. Had one today, it was five plots

Chas: Where are they located?

Rodger: Fairview, \$100.00 a piece. Purchased back in 1998.

Sandra: Her children are trying to get her to sell them. I talked to her at church about it.

Chas: New lots go for?

Rodger: \$250.00 for resident.

Chas: An investment for the Township.

Rodger: You know, paper work is all ready on that, so and that was part of one of the additional appropriations. So that's part of the cemetery business anyway.

Chas: Okay.

Rodger: So, if you don't have any objections.

Chas: No.

Rodger: According to the ORC they can't sell them for any more than they purchased the plot for. Now when we come back in possession of them we can sell them at today's prices. Funny part of the State Law, you know.

Cha: What cemetery where they in?

Rodger: Both were in Fairview.

Marvin: Can an individual purchase them.

Rodger: The ORC states, if I come to you to purchase as an individual you are not legally allowed to sell for more than what you paid for them. Whether you paid \$50.00 for them or \$2,000.00 for them. That price is what you are supposed to sell them for. Now I know there are—

Marvin: You can find them in the paper for \$110.00.

Sandra: Right.

Rodger: Yes, and someone else could buy them.

Marvin: But they would have to come to you to get them transferred.

Rodger: Yes.

Tom: I didn't understand the ORC. I thought the township cemeteries, they had to sell them back to the township. They could not sell them to an individual.

Rodger: No.

Tom: There is no deed, it's not recorded at the Court House, there is on instrument saying they can sell them.

Marvin: You see them for sale in the paper all the time.

Tom: Those are in private cemeteries.

Rodger: No.

Tom: My understanding with the township, there is no deed, no record, there is no document, they can use as a transfer instrument. There aren't any deeds but the townships. I thought the township was the only person that they could sell them too.

Rodger: You can sell them privately and do a transfer.

Tom: I understood you could not. Part of that is because there is no instrument to use to sell them.

Rodger: The instrument is the Township Trustees, ugh, paper work in the deed that we issue. That is a legal document per say.

Tom: Alright.

Rodger: It's not recorded.

Tom: That's not the way I understood it. It is actually contrary to what I understood.

