The meeting was called to order by Mr. Larry Earman, Chair.

Roll Call –  
Mr. Larry Earman, Chair - Present  
Mr. Jim Rice, Trustee - Present  

Mr. Chuck Buck, Trustee – Absent

Also Present -  
Dave Long, Fire Chief  
Bob Kaufman, Asst. Fire Chief  
Mike Johnson, Roads/Cemetery Dept.

DISPOSAL EXCESS FIRE ENGINE  
Chief Long reported that Lt. Weaston was continuing to pursue leads on potential buyers for the excess fire engine.

JOINT SAFETY BUILDING – TEMPORARY HOUSING  
Chief Long reported that the Fire Prevention Bureau is in the process of moving to Station 83. All other staff is expected to be moved by October 1.

FEMA GRANT AWARD  
Chief Long reported that the Department has been awarded a $57,000 FEMA grant for the purchase of rescue and auto extrication equipment. Chief Long and Mr. Earman recognized the collaborative efforts of Firefighter Clayton Crow and Captain Vincent Papa in receiving the grant.

CEMETERY & ROADS  
Mike Johnson shared with the Board that he was notified by the Wesley Chapel Church owners that they would be replacing the slate roof on the church. The owners wanted the Board to be aware that they may need to place scaffolding on the Cemetery property in order to replace the roof.

JOHNSON RECOGNITION LETTER  
Mr. Earman shared with the Board a recognition letter received on behalf of Mike Johnson from Barbara Jacobs, a visitor to Wesley Chapel Cemetery. Mrs. Jacobs was appreciative of Mike’s friendliness and genuine helpfulness. She made a $25 donation in Mike’s name for cemetery maintenance. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Earman commended Mike’s efforts.

JOINT SAFETY BUILDING  
Mr. Earman confirmed that the Pre-Bid conference went well. The Bid Opening has been rescheduled for Thursday, August 16, 2007. Mr. Earman expected a special meeting to be called the week of August 20th for the Bid Award. Chief Long confirmed that the lease agreement was still under review by the City of Hilliard. Mr. Earman noted that the Board expected to have this agreement long before now and requested that Chief Long follow up with our legal counsel for the status of the agreement.
JOINT SAFETY BUILDING – WATER MAIN REQUEST
Chief Long reported that he had just received word that the City of Columbus has denied the request for a public water main, therefore, an 8' tap line will have to be run. The impact of this change could increase the construction costs by $150,000 to $200,000. Chief Long will be following up with the City of Columbus immediately.

MEADOW WOOD DRAINAGE ISSUES
Donald Carpenter, resident of 6195 Meadow Wood Lane, addressed the Board about his drainage problems at the street. According to Mr. Carpenter, as storm water is carried through tiled properties it back ups on his property and his neighbors property because their yards are higher than the connecting tiled property. Mike Johnson indicated that to correct the problem both sides of Meadow Wood would need to be re-graded, however, the Township does not have the equipment to complete this project and it would be quite costly. Mr. Earman stated that someone would be out to review the matter; however, there was not a lot of hope for resolution.

RES. 07-49 Approval of Trustee Meeting Minutes for 6/25 and 7/23/07
Motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Earman, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for June 25 and July 23, 2007. Motion passed.

RES. 07-50 Authorization to Purchase Cemetery Excavator Not to Exceed $33,000
Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Rice, to authorize the purchase of a small excavator to be used for digging graves through rock not to exceed $33,000. Motion passed.

RES. 07-51 Approval of Website Designer Hamrick Creative
Motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Earman, to approve hiring Hamrick Creative web designers to redesign and update the Township’s website at a cost of $2,750. Motion passed.

Meeting of August 6, 2007 adjourned at approximately 12:35 p.m.

Mr. Larry Earman, Chairman

Jamie Miles, Fiscal Officer