The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Earman.

Roll Call -  
Charles Wm. Buck, Vice-Chairman – Present  
Larry Earman, Chairman – Present  
Timothy Roberts, Trustee - Present

Also Present - Bob Kaufman, Fire Chief  
John King, Battalion Chief  
Steve Montgomery, Roads/Cemetery Dept.  
Kate Cavanaugh, Township Administrator

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
Pat Mahoney, resident of Spindler Road, requested the Board’s assistance in addressing with Franklin County why his utility billing is not correct. Mrs. Cavanaugh will coordinate the follow up between both parties on this.

Approval of Trustee Meeting Minutes for 3/20/12
Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the regular meeting of March 20, 2012.
Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #120403.01

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Chief Kaufman reported that forty individuals attended the Family Care Giving seminar. Brown Township resident and attorney, Don Chapin was in attendance and provided very helpful information on Medicare/Medicaid. Inspector Tigner provided an overview of the Juvenile Fire Setters Program which our Department has been involved with for more than twenty five years. Currently, we have ten trained juvenile fire setter educators on staff. Captain Papa reported that the Department has been awarded a FEMA grant in the amount of approximately $199,000 for the replacement of safety communication equipment. Due to the mandated changes in the radio banding process, all of the Departments’ current radios will have to be replaced with the next generation radios. This FEMA grant will cover the cost to replace almost all of the radios which would have been an inevitable expense for the Township over the next few years. Captain Papa noted that since 1992, there has not been a year that the Township has not received grant money.

Approval of a Contribution For 2007 Davidson Soccer State Champs Plaque
Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Roberts for approval of a fifty percent contribution to purchase a soccer plaque to honor 2007 Soccer State Champs from Hilliard Davidson not to exceed $2,000. The plaque will be located at the school’s stadium.
Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #120403.02
CEMETERY & ROAD DEPARTMENT
Mr. Montgomery reported that great progress has been made with the berm work along Schirtzinger Road; clay tiles were encountered along 3615 and 3625 Schirtzinger Road, however, the County has worked around this. Mr. Montgomery requested approval to replace three mowers and two gators. The Board discussed the quotes received from John Deere and Hilliard Lawn & Garden and the man hours of the equipment being replaced. Mr. Buck recommended the Exmarks mowers because of better specifications than the John Deere mowers. He also recommended the John Deere Gators. The Board tabled approval of the 2012 Resurfacing Projects until the next meeting. Mr. Buck would like to know what we need to do to improve our priority for getting our road projects completed.

Approval to Purchase Exmark Mowers and John Deere Gators
Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Roberts for the approval to purchase three Exmark mowers and two John Deere Gators per the quoted costs.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-No Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #120403.03

FISCAL OFFICE
Mrs. Miles reported that appropriation measures would be forthcoming to account for the FEMA grant and other miscellaneous items.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION
As it relates to the Schirtzinger Road Project, Ms. Cavanaugh reported that the resurfacing work may happen as early as May; the sewer portion is almost complete. The County has requested that the trees be placed after the grading but before the seeding work which is expected to happen in May.

TRUSTEE-OLD BUSINESS - none

TRUSTEE-NEW BUSINESS
Mr. Earman suggested that since the Agricultural Society has already secured their current years' contracts, then charging for services begin in 2013. Mr. Earman requested that a letter be drafted notifying the Fair Board of the hourly rate to be charged for any event that a medic is being requested for beginning in 2013. In other matters, Mr. Buck reported that there is no cost involved with the proposed Hilliard TV and he thinks it is something the Township should look into.

The regular meeting of April 3rd adjourned at 1:06 pm.

Larry Earman, Chairman

Jamie Miles, Fiscal Officer