

**MINUTES FOR JULY 11, 2011  
MEETING OF  
WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP BOARD**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Supervisor Byas. Board members present, in addition to the Supervisor were: Clerk Mulder-Paul, Treasurer Carolyn L. Wise, Trustees Barb Thole and Larry Bennett. One citizen, Bob Oldenkamp was in attendance.

The minutes for the regular June 6, 2011 meeting were presented to each board member prior to the meeting. Trustee Thole pointed out the mis-spelling of Nottawaseppi and requested that the Na be changed to No. A motion to accept the minutes with the clerical error corrected was made by Treasurer Wise and supported by Trustee Thole. Voice vote passed.

Bill Oldenkamp presented the board with a receipt for \$37.48 for top soil for the North Cemetery. Mr. Oldenkamp will seed the area in the fall. A motion to reimburse Mr. Oldenkamp was made by Trustee Bennett and was supported by Treasurer Wise. Voice vote, passed.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk Mulder-Paul gave a monthly listing of \$12,078.17. A motion to accept the listing, pay the bills and amend the bill listing to include Mr. Oldenkamp's expenditure was made by Supervisor Byas and supported by Treasurer Wise. Voice vote, passed. Supervisor Byas explained to the board the progress of the new heating and cooling system in the township hall. A motion to pay Jeff Decuypere upon completion of the work, at the Clerk's next regular business day, was made by Supervisor Byas. Clerk Mulder-Paul supported. Voice vote, passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer Wise gave the board the accounting of the bank balances. They were as follows: Tax Checking-\$15.41 and Tax Saving -\$10,194.01. The general accounts were savings- \$77,786.35 and checking \$218.51. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Clerk Mulder-Paul and was supported by Trustee Thole. Voice vote, passed.

**CORRESPONSENCE:**

Supervisor Byas alerted the board to recent legislation related to gravel operations. This bill will diminish any local ordinances regarding mining, gravel and natural resources.

**ZOINING/ORDINANCE REPORT:**

Supervisor Byas discussed the Planning Commission's Master Plan/Land Use work on redefining the R1/R-4 zone and define a C-2 zone within the Township of Wakeshma. A public hearing is tentatively planned for the August Planning Commission meeting.

**FIRE AUTHORITY:**

Supervisor Byas informed the board that the Fire Authority continues to work on the Ten Year Plan for fire Apparatus. Grass fire apparatus is a possibility for the township in the near future.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Byas informed the board that Larry and Marilyn Bennett have made application to put parcel # 16-14-401-030 into the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program (PA-116). Supervisor Byas made a motion to accept and approve the application, Treasurer Wise supported, Trustee Bennett abstained, voice vote, passed.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

BOARD COMMENTS: None

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Bennett and was supported by Treasurer Wise. Voice vote, passed. The July 11, 2011 Wakeshma Township Board was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mulder-Paul  
Township Clerk