**BOARD MINUTES**
**March 19, 2025**

## Present:

Theresa Caldwell, Trustee; Joe Arrowood, Peggy Pfister and Mary Sue Rowland, Board Members; Beverly Watson, Deputy Trustee; Shauna Metzger, Girls Softball Board Member; Guests: Matt Mitchell, Fire Chief; Uriah Eddingfield, Fire Operational Director.

## Approval of the Agenda

President Mary Sue Rowland asked for approval of the agenda. No changes were requested. Joe Arrowood made a motion to approve the March agenda. Peggy Pfister seconded. All were in favor.

## Approval of February Board Minutes

President Mary Sue Rowland asked for any comments and changes to the February 12th board minutes. No changes were requested. Peggy Pfister made a motion to approve the February minutes and Joe Arrowood seconded. All were in favor.

## New Business:

Shauna Metzger - Board member of Noblesville Girls Softball League. Shauna is working to secure funding to fix four softball fields that are crucial for the Noblesville Girls Softball League. There are 500 - 600 girls who rely on these fields for practice and games. The Softball League was using land that belonged to Crownland Cemetery. The cemetery needs the land. Noblesville school offered 4 of their fields however, the girls were hurting themselves due to the fields not being in proper condition. They are proposing a five-year contract with the school district, in exchange for fixing up four specific fields: Stoney Creek, Promise Road, Hinkle, and North Elementary. The total estimated cost to fix these fields is $56,000, and the group is requesting $20,000.00 from the township.

Joe Arrowood made a motion to approve the funding. Peggy Pfister seconded. All were in favor.

## Fire Contract

Chief Matt Mitchell passed out the new fire contract for 2025 and the reports for the 2024 fire runs. Based on the formula from last year, the township will be receiving a reimbursement. There were less fire runs in 2024. Therefore, there is a reduction of $30,725.00 in the total amount owed. There was a discussion about the cost per run between the EMS and the Fire Department. The board decided to take a look at the contract and will bring any questions or concerns to the April meeting.

## Other Business

The Trustee updated the board on the renovation plans for the office. There will be a combination of plans B and C. The architect is making the changes.

Starting in July, the state board of accounts has set a new requirement for all trustee meetings to be recorded and live streamed, with the videos needing to be saved for 90 days. The Trustee is working on getting the equipment needed to meet the requirements.

The Trustee informed the board of the upcoming Chamber event, Taste of Business.

The Trustee passed out 2024 Township numbers on homeless people served, people served in our transitional houses, people using our shower and number of people served from our food pantry.

As there was no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:35pm

Next Meeting will be on **4/16/2024 at 3:00pm**

*President*

*Secretary*

*Board Member*