

WCTA Meeting Minutes
May 21st, 2015

The second quarterly meeting of 2015 of the Williams County Township Association was held on May 21st, 2015, at the Northwest Township building on S.R. 49 in Cooney, OH. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Short, leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary-Treasurer Nancy Barnes completed the attendance with fifteen (15) members present. Guests present were Gary Burr, Krill Funeral Homes; Don Bulla, Deputy Director, Williams County 911; and Tod Roth, Williams County Engineer.

Nancy Barnes read the minutes from the February 19th, 2015 meeting. Hugh Perry made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Richard Moffet seconded the motion. The motion carried. The treasurer's report was then given. HillisRockey made a motion to approve the report. Rod Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Hugh Perry then made a motion to add \$55.00 to the \$45.00 currently in the scholarship fund and send that to OTA along with the memberships that are due June 1st. Rod Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gary Burr from Krill Funeral Homes gave a report and information on indigent burials. He passed out information stating that indigent was defined as less than 150% of the federal poverty level. The exceptions are that a spouse must take care of a spouse, and a parent must take care of a child. The state then requires the entity to open and close the grave and to provide a marker with name, age and date of death. Other points stated were that if the entity is paying the family has no right to determine if it is burial or cremation. There can be no cap on the amount spent by the entity, however, the entity can contract with a funeral home. The responsibility of which entity is required to pay is determined by residency, and examples were included in the information. The entity paying has the right to choose the disposition and which funeral home to have perform the service.

Don Bulla, Deputy Director for 911 spoke next. He reported that the alert 86 was going well and that 12,632 county residents were signed up. The alerts have been modified somewhat and no longer include alerts for hail. The users can customize the alerts they wish to receive. He also stated that the state was not issuing any grants for emergency sirens this year, so having the alert 86 was a benefit.

Tod Roth, Williams County Engineer, then gave a report. He stated the bid for the bridge on Co. Rd. D had been awarded and was expected to start in July. The cost is approximately \$500,000. They opened the bids for Norlick today and would be making a recommendation in the next few days. Gerkin was the low bid at \$250,000.

Again, winter was tough on the roads. The county used 1300 ton of salt mix this winter. They were using a 1 to 1 mixture with sand. Salt has been purchased for the coming year at approximately \$69.00 a ton. They have not put chip and seal out for bid yet. He did state that they would probably not be doing any fog seal this year. One of the trucks ordered is in. Also they have purchased a new front end loader. Tod is still looking to

purchase a towable roller. He has an annual report due next week and will be sending copies to the townships. Bob Short then complimented Tod on the work done on taking down the ash trees.

Old business was called for next. There was a brief discussion on debris found that could possibly be meth cooks. It was noted that any bottle with liquid and solid in the bottle would be a red flag.

The next meeting will be held on August 20th, 2015, at the shelter house in Alvordton, Ohio. It will be a potluck with the starting time to be 6:00 P.M. Superior Township is in charge of the meat.

There being no further business from the floor, Hugh Perry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Claron Krill seconded the motion. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

Nancy J. Barnes