

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2014**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Special Session at 8:00am
Friday, May 9, 2014 with Trustee Mittas, Trustee Nichols and Trustee Smith present.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss potential pay increases and proposed insurance changes with non-contractual township employees. The Board reserves the right to discuss any other township matters that may come before the Board.

FISCAL OFFICE:

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve warrant #14800, in the amount of \$600.00, payable to Reed Funeral Home. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

TRUSTEES:

Budget Cuts and Road Levy:

The Trustees explained the budget cuts to the General Fund that have occurred over the past few years due to the state eliminating the estate tax, reduction in local government funding, etc. They also clarified the importance of the passage of a road levy to provide the funding to pave township roads.

Road Crew:

The road crew is down two people from a few years ago; the Board chose not to replace them when they left or retired in order to save operating cost. The Trustees value all the hard work from our current crew; and know they are doing their best to keep up with both winter and summer needs.

Proposed Health Insurance Premiums and Potential Pay Increases:

The cost of health care increases each year, and along with that also comes an increase in the township's insurance premium. Regrettably, township employees are going to have to take on some of that expense. The Board wants to be fair with pay increases and added health insurance cost.

The Board will meet with non-contractual employees again within the next few weeks.

ADJOURN:

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 9:12am, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Smith.

Christopher B. Nichols, President

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Ronald L. Smith, Fiscal Officer

William C. Smith, Vice President

William G. Mittas, Trustee