The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. on November 21, 2011 by Chairman Raymond Schulte. Present were Trustees Martha Catherwood, David Sambor, Ray Schulte, Fiscal Officer Colleen Swedyk, one reporter, and 9 residents. All joined the Pledge to the Flag.

Ray Schulte made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 24, 2011 meeting as written. David Sambor seconded. Vote: C-yes, DS-yes, S-yes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT
At the request of Chief Potts, Martha Catherwood made a motion to hold an executive session regarding discipline for an employee in the fire department. David Sambor seconded.

ZONING DEPARTMENT
Jim Kamps stated that there would be a zoning commission worksession on December 8, 2011.

TRUSTEES
Martha Catherwood made a motion to refund Melissa Lattea $20.00 from her hall rental fee. David Sambor seconded. Vote: C-yes, DS-yes, S-yes.

Martha Catherwood discussed prohibiting shale drilling on township property. Martha Catherwood made a motion to adopt Resolution # 112111-01

WHEREAS, the Hinckley Township Board of Trustees believes that the constancy of ground water and natural streams within the Township is vital in preserving the quality of life for our residents; WHEREAS, maintaining hydrologic integrity is essential in ensuring that the residents of Hinckley Township continue to have safe and healthy drinking water; WHEREAS, companies have begun to solicit residents of Hinckley Township in order to secure mineral rights for natural gas and petroleum located underground on their properties; WHEREAS, many of these companies have proposed to extract this natural gas and petroleum by a method commonly known as hydrologic fracturing; WHEREAS, this method is currently being debated as to its potential to effect serious long-term environmental and health concerns, including local groundwater and stream contamination within the proximity of hydrologic fracturing sites; WHEREAS, these long term environmental and health concerns have not been sufficiently addressed to the satisfaction of the Hinckley Township Board of Trustees; WHEREAS, the Hinckley Township Board of Trustees will not be motivated by financial gain in exchange for potential long term environmental and health risks to our residents; BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hinckley Township Board of Trustees prohibits hydrologic fracturing on any lands owned by Hinckley Township.
David Sambor seconded. Vote: C-yes, DS-yes, S-yes.

Martha Catherwood stated that Commissioner Adam Friedrich has put together a shale initiative committee on this issue. Calvin Powell stated that fracking has been going on for years. He does not remember reading any articles regarding problems with fracking. Martha Catherwood stated that the process used now is very different. The shale is located 5000-9000 feet deep and the drillers now radiate horizontally. An enormous amount of water is used for the process. Township roads are at risk because of the trucks hauling the water. The proper disposal of the waste-water is also a concern. David Sambor stated that there is not enough oversight in fracking.
Martha Catherwood made a motion to adopt Resolution # 112111-02 which approves requesting ODNR to notify the Hinckley Township Board of Trustees when drilling permits are granted for locations within Hinckley Township. This request includes regular and expedited drilling permits. The contact person for the notification shall be Trustee Martha Catherwood. David Sambor seconded. Vote: C-yes, DS-yes, S-yes.

David Sambor made a motion to adopt Resolution # 112111-03 which approves a purchase agreement with Medina County stating: The Parties hereto intend to enter into this agreement, pursuant to the authority granted in Ohio Revised Code 307.15. The Board of Township Trustees agrees to purchase and the Board of Commissioners of Medina County agrees to sell such materials as from time to time may be required for the construction, maintenance, or repair of any township road or building. The price of the aforementioned materials to the Township shall be the purchase price and any expenses incurred in such purchase by the Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Medina County Engineer to handle the purchase and sale of such materials to the Township as specified above. The agreement shall become effective on the 1st day of January, 2012 following the signing by both parties, and will expire on the 31st day of December, 2012. Ray Schulte seconded. Vote: C-yes, DS-yes, S-yes.

David Sambor stated that with regard to the cross-culvert on Mattingly, Dan Becker will be coming to a Township meeting soon to discuss the options.

FISCAL OFFICER
Colleen Swedyk reported that the Township currently has funds totaling $4,451,566.15.

Ray Schulte made a motion to pay the bills. David Sambor seconded. Vote: C-yes, DS-yes, S-yes. The Board adjourned into executive session at 7:52 p.m. and returned at 8:40 p.m. with no decision being made. Ray Schulte made a motion to adjourn. David Sambor seconded. Vote: C-yes, DS-yes, S-yes. The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

The Board reviewed and initialed time sheets.

The minutes of the meeting were approved by:

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