

**Forsyth Township Board  
Special Meeting  
January 31, 2012**

Supervisor Minelli called the Special Meeting of the Forsyth Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Supervisor Minelli, Clerk Filizetti-Hartzell, Treasurer Nordeen, Trustees Armatti & Nordeen. All Present.

**Public Comment:** None

**Agenda:** Motion by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Nordeen & unanimously carried to approve the agenda with the following additions: Cell Phones DPW & Medi-Ride Transporting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Interview for Mechanic Position:** The following people were interviewed for the position of mechanic: Terry Corkin, Brian Hutchens, Alexander Ketola & Daryl Johnson, at fifteen minute intervals. Supervisor Minelli asked the following questions of each applicant, "what are your strong points", "what are your weak points", "have you done any fabricating", "when would you advise disposing of a vehicle versus repairing it". Nordeen inquired of each applicant their knowledge of electrical wiring experience, siting the problem with the lift on the ambulance not working at times. Motion by Minelli, supported by Nordeen to hire Daryl Johnson for the position of Mechanic. Motion carried 4 to 0, with Trustee Armatti abstaining.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Ambulance Billing – Outsourcing:** Robert Manson, Office Manager, Rampart EMS, Inc. addressed the board regarding the proposed ambulance billing contract, explaining the billing time frame, when uncollected bills are turned over to a collection agency. Attorney Koch recommended some contract changes which Rampart has no problem with. The cost to the township is \$16.50 per run with no cost increase during the contract period. Rampart deals with five or six collection agencies and the township would make the determination to pursue unpaid bills through small claims court. Currently Rampart bills every twenty days with the fourth billing considered as final notice. Patients would have the option of making payments to Rampart. Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti to contract with Rampart EMS, Inc. for a period of three (3) years, effective as soon as the Attorney recommended changes are made and the contract signed. Motion carried.

**Cell Phone DPW:** Discussion regarding use of personal cell phones ensued. The township does not have a policy in place at this time but will look into adopting one.

**Medi-Ride Transporting:** Motion by Minelli, supported by Nordeen directing Forsyth Township EMT's to transport Medi-Ride intercept personal from the hospital back to the Emergency Service Building only. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Supervisor Minelli adjourned the Special Meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Filizetti-Hartzell  
Forsyth Township Clerk