Chad Ashbaugh, called the Rushcreek Township Trustees Board meeting to order at 7:00 pm leading with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in attendance in addition to Chad were: Dave Myers, Trustee; Lisa Burnworth, Trustee; Nancy Mathias, Fiscal Officer; and Will Duvall, Fire Chief. Chad asked that all cell phones be muted along with all fire radios except the Chief.

Visitors
Charlie Hockman, Bill Myers, Lou and Kathy Agosta, Laurie Withem, Tracy Shahan, Anthony Taylor

Charlie Hockman was present and gave a brief report on the most recent Regional Planning meeting held on 12/4/19. The speaker was from Metro Transportation. Charlie also stated that Violet and Liberty Townships are in the process of reviewing zoning rules.

Lou and Kathy Agosta were present. They still have concerns regarding their neighbor’s use of a riding ring located close to their house. They do not believe that they received a satisfactory response from the Prosecuting Attorney’s office when the Zoning Inspector last reviewed the issue. He would like the Trustees and/or Zoning Commission to determine what constitutes a riding academy/commercial business. The original zoning ordinances were developed in 1988 with a re-write happening in 2007. They would like for the Zoning Commission to interpret where the zoning laws define a riding academy. Chad will contact the zoning inspector to have her schedule a Zoning Commission meeting within the next 30 days.

Minutes
The minutes of the November 20th meeting were presented to the Trustees for approval. Lisa made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes because the Trustees had reviewed them prior to the meeting. Dave seconded the motion. Roll Call: Chad, Yes; Lisa, Yes; Dave, Yes. Chad reminded everyone that the minutes are available upon request at the Fiscal Officer’s office and the website www.rushcreektwp.org.

Treasurer’s Report
EFT #778-2019- #809-2019 and Warrants #41729-41740 in the amounts of $80,582.20 along with the November bank reconciliation were presented to the Trustees for signatures. Dave made a motion to pay the bills and Chad seconded the motion. Roll Call: Chad, Yes; Lisa, Yes; Dave, Yes

Chief Duvall presented the Trustees with a list of expenditures for the next period in the amount of $2,150.00. Chad made a motion to approve the list of expenses and Dave seconded the motion. Roll Call: Chad, Yes; Lisa, Yes; Dave, Yes.

A list of expenditures was presented to the Trustees for the road department for the next period in the amount of $1,500.00. Lisa made a motion to approve the list of expenses and Dave seconded the motion. Roll Call: Chad, Yes; Lisa, Yes; Dave, Yes.

Nancy reminded everyone that all purchases must be complete and invoices turned in for payment by the December 18th meeting.

Business
Chief Duvall reported the following:
- Runs during the last pay period 11/16/19-11/30/19: 16 EMS including 9 transports and 5 fire runs. Received 0 Mutual Aid and 4 Mutual Aid given.
- Received a $50.00 donation from the Rebekah Lodge.
Residents requested the fire department to drive and announce Santa’s visit in the village on December 15th. Trustees advised that Santa would need to sign an insurance waiver.

Road Department Report:
- Tree and brush removal.
- Culvert and ditch work.

Nancy reported the following:
- Contacted Lancaster Fire Safety to make appointment for annual inspection at township barn. They will be here on 12/10 at 9:00 am.
- Attempting to engage a court reporter for disciplinary hearing.

Trustee Reports

Dave –
- Approved Road & Fire payroll
- Helped road crew with culvert on Pleasantview Road.
- Ditch work.

Chad –
- Approved Fire Department payroll.
- Checked all roads and removed branches from numerous roads due to wind storm on 11/27 and 11/28.
- No zoning permits were issued since last meeting.
- Attended the Safety Meeting on 12/3/19 – Topic was Drug Free Workplace.

Lisa –
- Holiday schedule distributed to fire department and road department.
- Adjustments to Time Trax.
- Health insurance elections.
- EMS Grant application.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:44 pm.