

Hiram Township

Regular Meeting May 3, 2011

Present: Mr. Pancost, Mr. Bosma, Ms. Schulda.

Chairman Pancost opened the meeting with the reading of the minutes of the April 19, 2011 meeting which were approved with one correction.

Mr. Brewer asked the Board to act on an ODOT salt bid for next winter season. Mr. Bosma made a motion to join the ODOT salt bidding compact. Ms. Schulda seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Bosma AYE, Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE.

Resolution 2011-17 to join the ODOT salt bidding compact for the coming winter season has passed.

Mr. Brewer, a member of the Hiram Community Trust Board, passed out grant applications for this year to anyone interested.

Chairman Pancost recognized Ms. Diane Rodhe, a Wheeler Road resident. Ms. Rodhe handed in her resume for Fiscal Officer. Mr. Brewer answered some questions about the position. The Board accepted the application and stated that all resumes must be in their hands by May 13, 2011. A decision will be made by the Board at the next regular meeting on May 17, 2011. This will allow for training and transition to take place prior to Mr. Brewers exit on June 30, 2011.

Mr. Martin Moleski was recognized. Mr. Moleski asked if the County Commissioners have made a decision about the annexation yet. Ms. Schulda said the Commissioners have said they will pass a motion at the Thursday May 5, 2011 regular meeting in regards to this issue. Ms. Schulda will pass on the information to Mr. Moleski at that time.

Hiram Fire Chief Bill Byers was recognized. Chief Byers said the sirens in the Township have been repaired and batteries replaced as needed by Federal Siren. The sirens will be inspected annually and repaired as needed in the future by Federal. Chief Byers thanked the Board for action on the fire department pickup truck. This unit will be traded in on a new model at no cost to the Township. The Gator has been set up with a water tank and sprayer to fight grass fires. Mr. Swanda, of Harrison Machine Co. did much to retrofit this unit to fight fires.

Old Business – Ms. Schulda is working with Mr. Bill Steiner to get the trash contract ready for bids to go out. The present contract has been extended 90 days to allow time for the bidding process to go forward.

Ms. Schulda said the meeting related to the 2% income tax was cancelled by the Village of Hiram and will be reset when the Village is prepared to go forward.

A meeting about the Essell legal case was held. The issue has been delayed until August on request of Mr. Essell's attorney.

New Business – Ms. Schulda will attend a meeting soon sponsored by the Portage County Realtors Association to see if grant money is available from that organization.

Zoning Report – Mr. Garey said he has been made aware that an Udahl Road resident plans a festival on his property. While the Board seeks to encourage local activities Mr. Garey asked if there should be some legal opinion sought or if this activity should be regulated. Mr. Pancost will ask for more information on this topic at the next Portage County Planning Commission meeting.

Road Report – Mr. Matota said new tires will need to be purchased for the boom truck. The back hoe needs extensive repairs costing perhaps \$5000.00. The process and needs to do road crack filling was discussed. The radios used by the road crew will need to be replaced soon. The garage was insulated; the Hall will be done also after the new windows are installed.

Mr. Bosma made a motion to pay the bills and adjourn. Ms. Schulda seconded the motion. Roll call Mr. Pancost AYE, Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Bosma AYE. The following bills were paid and the meeting was adjourned.

Bills May 3, 2011

7204 salary	Bosma	848.85
7205 salary	Pancost	848.85
7206 salary	Schulda	848.85
7207 salary	Brewer	400.00
7208 salary	Garey	610.00
7209 stone	ARMS Trucking	10,294.30
7210 phones	Windstream	220.25
7211 life insurance	Anthem	300.60
7212 parts	TL Service	4.62
7213 health ins.	Ohio Plan	5519.80
7214 insulation NOPEC	WRH Insulation	2690.00
7215 electric	Ohio Edison	142.10
7216 siren	Ohio Edison	13.08

7217	Hazemat	PC Hazmat	506.31
7218	wages	Matota	1506.59
7219	wages	Firtik	1144.54
7220	wages	Roosa	1044.32
7221	wages	Bello	1084.32
7223	repairs	Margala & Sons	950.00
7224	sirens	Ohio Edison	31.26
7225	long distance	Sprint	38.36
7226	tools	Industrial Connections	60.77
7227	parts	Power Plan	24.34
			Total \$ 29,212.28

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