

Hiram Township

Regular Meeting Minutes April 4, 2012

Present: Chairman Jack Groselle, Steve Pancost and Kathy Schulda

Chairman Groselle opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the March 20, 2012 and March 23, 2012 minutes. Kathy Schulda moved to approve the March 20, 2012 minutes as corrected. Steve Pancost seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Groselle AYE, Pancost AYE, Schulda AYE.

Steve Pancost moved to approve the March 23, 2012 minutes. Kathy Schulda seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Pancost AYE, Schulda AYE.

Announcements: Mr. Thomas Ford, Director of College Relations, of Hiram College led a group to present the proposed "Eagle Creek Restoration". They have received grant money to alter the path of Eagle Creek on the former Pollack-Olin property. Hiram College now owes the 152 acre property that had been logged. They plan with the help of the EPA grant (WRRSP- Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program- funding agency), Western Reserve Land Conservancy (conservation easement holder of the property) and Davey Resource Group (restoration ecologists), to alter the creek path and add native tree plantings so the creek will continue to be a "cold water stream". A driveway will be added off of St. Rt. 82 just west of Dr. Tim Andrews's property and they will not be disturbing the adjoining properties while construction is being done hopefully this summer. When asked about 4 wheeler traffic, the group relayed that they did not see this as an issue since this is going to be a preserve.

Doug Brewer gave a report on the Hiram Community Trust Grant that is due by April 20, 2012. He thinks they have about \$36,000 is available this year.

Fiscal Officer Report: We have a money Market account earning .35% and a checking account earning 1.0%. Funds will be moved into the checking account until a better investment can be found.

Asked the Trustees to go to Middlefield Bank to fill out information cards and I will bring signature cards to the next meeting. Tom Bosma and Diane Roade are to be removed from the Hiram Township accounts and Jack Groselle, Steve Pancost, Kathy Schulda and Stan Carlisle are to be added to the accounts.

Thank you Diane Roade! She has answered every question asked and even answered questions not asked yet. THANK YOU!

I may also be calling Diane to help get me started with any new items that I do not yet understand. She will be getting a \$50.00 consulting fee per hour.

Fire Report: The Fire Department has been busy and has had two people rescued by helicopter. One will be making a full recovery from a stroke because of the quick action. The Chief also talked about a member of the department who is at the Cleveland Clinic waiting for a heart transplant.

Old Business: Long distance at the garage was discussed and it has been taken off of our phone plan.

Dave Auble is now the insurance representative for the township.

The part-time job description was discussed and Tom Matota will review it. Chris Merduri has already given his approval of the document.

We are also hoping to have a tire clean up May 19. Kathy will check with the Solid Waste District.

Used oil can be set out with your recycling to be picked up as long as it is in one gallon containers. This will be posted on the web site. The instructions to add kitty litter to paint before putting it into the trash will also be added to the web site.

Letters will be sent out to the owners of the properties on Thrasher Road and a hearing will be offered concerning the removal of the dwellings at the next Township Trustees Meeting April 17, 2012.

A meeting will be held in Garrettsville about a possible JEDD (Joint Economic Development District) between Garrettsville and Hiram Township. Freedom Township has already said that they do not plan to be a part of it.

New Business: Steve Pancost reported on the Advisory Meeting for the Health District and presented the Health District's proposed budget for 2013. No charge backs are in the 2013 Health District's budget.

Zoning Inspector Report: Rich Gano reported that the complaint at 11408 Wheeler Road is in the process of being cleaned up.

He is also in the process of getting help from the Health District and possibly OEPA concerning the animal and wastewater complaint on St. Rt. 82. He gave some photos to the Prosecutor and was told they could do nothing because of the agriculture, although civil suits can be filed by neighbors.

Mr. Kocher has been contacted and he said he will start on it.

One permit for a deck/swimming pool combination has been issued to Mr. Matt Hill on St. Rt. 82.

Mr. Gano will also be getting some signage for his vehicle.

Road Report: Tom Matota asked about the 2% income tax and if he should tell the road crew workers to have it withheld. Jack and Steve both told him not to worry about it.

He addressed the web site of the Solid Waste District and how it should be updated.

Some of our stolen stop signs have been recovered because of the sticker that was placed on them with the Township information.

May have a problem with the liquid material bids but will wait to see what is received.

Beaver Run off of Asbury Road is too wet but they will deal with the dam when weather permits.

The 5 foot pipe under Rolling Meadows needs attention and will need to get into the common area to address it. A letter will be sent to the homeowners association to make them aware of the upcoming work to be done. It will be sent to Roger Angel.

The paperwork for the two trucks was signed and sent per a grant that may pay for 80% of new trucks. The Engineers' office is handling this.

Kathy Schulda moved to pay the bills. Steve Pancost seconded the motion. Roll Call: Jack Groselle AYE, Steve Pancost AYE, Kathy Schulda AYE. The following bills were paid:

2012-4-3 Meeting Payments			
electronic	OPERS	Employer's Contribution	2400.77
electronic	OPERS	Employee's Contribution	1714.85
electronic	IRS	March Withholding	1317.00
7802	State of Ohio Income Tax	March Withholding	457.09
electronic	Groselle	Salary	848.85
7803	Pancost	Salary	848.85
electronic	Schulda	Salary	848.85
electronic	Rodhe	Salary	1485.45
electronic	Gano	Salary	450.00
electronic	Matota	Wages	1508.83
electronic	Firtik	Wages	1145.56
electronic	Roosa	Wages	1029.32
electronic	Bello	Wages	847.52
7791	Windstream	Township Garage Phone	112.74
7792	Momar	One Step 10 Gal	586.62
7793	API	Material	227.69
7794	Power Tool and Supply	Grinder	199.00
7795	Quick Service Welding & Machine	Plate Steel w/ hole punched	125.00
7796	Airgas	Parts	45.83
7797	Staples	Office Supplies/Chair	250.15
7798	Ohio Edison	electricity	302.47
7799	Anthem Life	Life Insurance	76.40
7800	Ellet Radiator Service, Inc	Fuel Tank Repair	515.00
7801	Bennet Land Title Agency	Title Search	100.00
7804	Hiram Twp. Trustees	General Fund 5% Investment 1/1/12	13844.74
	Total		31288.58

Adjourn: Chairman Jack Groselle adjourned the meeting