

Hiram Township

Regular Hiram Township Trustees Meeting Minutes for

July 16, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Hiram Township Hall

Present: Chairman Kathy Schulda, Steve Pancost and Jack Groselle

Chairman Schulda opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

This meeting is being taped to facilitate the written minutes. Once the written minutes are approved, the tape will be reused.

The minutes from the July 2, 2013 Trustee's meeting were read. After a short discussion, Jack motioned to approve the minutes. Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Kathy AYE, Steve AYE and Jack AYE. The minutes were approved.

**Fiscal Officer:** We have received a letter from Reserve Energy Exploration letting us know that, at this time, they are not moving forward with the lease of the property on Munford Road.

Hiram Village has sent us notice that the income tax for 2012 is past due and we need to send them.

The fence code change and the 2014 budget will be advertised so a hearing can be conducted at our next regular meeting.

The Portage County Solid Waste Plan Meeting will be July 24, 2013 at 3:00 PM with the location to be determined.

The next meeting of the Hiram Township Board of Zoning Appeals and the Hiram Township Zoning Board with Todd Peetz will be July 23, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall.

Mr. Don Prall has asked to become a member of the Hiram Township Board of Appeals.

**Guest:** Don Prall asked if anything can be done about getting signage not to use jak brake. The Ohio Department of Transportation will be contacted concerning this.

Sharon Steiner and Karen Knall expressed concern over the flooding that occurred by 5929 and 5964 Schustrick Road. Permission was given by Karen Knall to go on her property and do any needed work to help ease any future flooding. Tom said that he will look into this and do what he can.

**Old:** Stan was asked to find out about the code numbers concerning the archiving of our records. He will check this week.

Jack will meet with Mr. Koscher, his brother and Rocky sometime soon to discuss the zoning issues on his property.

Kathy did not meet with Mr. Pander, but has been told that Pander Trucking has been sold and Mr. Pander will still bring us a check. Kathy hopes to meet soon with Mr. Pander to collect a check from him to help repair any road damage done by his company.

Steve asked about someone else being approached to work on the mausoleum at the cemetery. Steve will bring someone else in to look at it.

**NEW:** Kathy has read that the new health care law may require the Township to cover all our workers, full and part time. We will check with Dave Auble when the time comes to redo our health insurance.

She also had a copy of the Article from the Ohio Township News "Headstones Needing a Facelift". This will be given to Richard Masters who has been so interested in preserving the Indian Maiden. This could turn into a very nice community project for the right group.

Kathy has talked to Chris Meduri about getting a siren by Village Gate. Chris will send a letter to the owners and we will need to get a resolution so he can pursue this issue.

Chris also has assured us that any action taken in the Hiram Township Hall is legal.

At this point in time, we will not do any action concerning additional police protection.

Some questions concerning the budget for 2014 were discussed. An extension has been filed with the Auditor's Office because of the lack of time of notice for a hearing today.

**Zoning Report:** Rich asked about the possibility of updating our forms. Stan had checked with the Portage County Regional Planning Office and was told to look at Brimfield township web site. Stan will check and see what he can find.

It has been found out that any noise issue in the Township may be charged with disorderly conduct if three or more people complain to Police. Rich will be meeting with Chris Meduri about some issues.

Rich is continuing to work on several zoning issues.

**Road Report:** A lot of work has been done to keep up with the storm damage to the roads. Several roads had a wash out by the edge and this area needs to be filled in. Tom is keeping a record of it separately if any FEMA or other Federal or State money comes available. He is also concerned with some damage being out of the right of way and if the Township has the responsibility to repair it. Kathy will check with the Rolling Meadows Association concerning this. Chip and seal has fallen behind schedule because of this other work needing done.

Tom is getting a new radio for the new truck and will put the radio out of the old truck into the bucket truck. This will aid in communication between the people in the different vehicles.

**Fire Report:** The June Fire Department Report shows a total of 39 runs with 12 in the Township and the average response time of 4 minutes 20 seconds.

Jack motioned to pay the following bills. Steve seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion to pay the following bills was approved.

electronic	Wages 7/11/13		4634.31
8304	Village of Hiram	Fire 85 % of	24153.88
8305	Village of Hiram	EMS 90%	25574.70
8306	Middlefield Farm & Garden	Parts	25.19
8307	Wise Chevrolet, Inc.	Parts	58.75
8308	Ohio Edison	3 bills	258.24
8309	Clerk of Courts Portage County	Donald Koscher Lien	32.50
8310	Roberta Zuver	April, May	30.00
8311	Auditor treasurer of Ohio	Jul, Aug, Sept Software fee	795.00
8312	Ohio Department of Transportation	Contract service	7.93
8313	Western reserve Farm co-op	Fuel	1445.69
8314	Medical Mutual of Ohio	Premium 8/1 - 9/1/13	4127.84
8315	Oscar Brugmann Sand & Gravel	#2 crushed sandstone 13.42 T	152.32
8316	Gee-ville auto Parts	Parts	64.61
8317	Marboro Supply	Parts	891.30
8318	East Manufacturing Inc	Supplies	18.08
8319	East Ohio Gas	2 bills	58.44
8320	Auburn Pipe	Supplies	413.82
8321	Village of Hiram	Fuel June 2013	85.51
8322	Frank Gates/Avizent	Service Fee	630.00
TOTAL			63458.11

Steve motioned to go into Executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of changes or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, per ORC Section 121.22(G)1). Jack seconded the motion. A roll call vote followed: Kathy AYE, Steve AYE, Jack AYE. The Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Road Crew Supervisor and Zoning Inspector went into Executive Session at 8:27 PM.

The Executive Session ended at 8:36 PM. No action was taken.

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 8:37 PM.