

Hiram Township

Regular Hiram Township Trustees Meeting Minutes for

October 1, 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 minutes are approved, the tape will be reused.

The minutes for the September 17, 2013 meeting were read. After a short discussion, Jack motioned to approve the minutes as corrected. Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Kathy AYE, Steve AYE and Jack AYE. The motion was approved.

Fiscal Officer: The next Board of Zoning Appeals will be October 8, 2013 at 8:00 PM to journalize the last two variances that have been approved.

The joint continuation meeting of the Hiram Township Board of Zoning Appeals and the Hiram Township Zoning Board with Portage County Regional Planning Commission Director Todd Peetz will be October 8, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Hiram Township Hall.

Handed out employee information sheet and asking each person to make any corrections.

Resolution 2013-18 accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor was presented to the Trustees. This is for the year 2013. After some discussion, Jack moved for the adoption of the resolution. The motion was seconded by Steve. A roll call vote was taken: Kathy AYE, Steve AYE and Jack AYE. The following resolution was approved:

Resolution 2013-18 was approved accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor for the year 2013.

Resolution 2013-19 accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor was presented to the Trustees. This is for the year 2014. After some discussion, Jack moved for the adoption of the resolution. The motion was seconded by Steve. A roll call vote was taken: Kathy AYE, Steve AYE and Jack AYE. The following resolution was approved:

Resolution 2013-19 was approved accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor for the year 2014.

Resolution 2013-20 accepting the annual Township Appropriation was presented to the Trustees. Questions as to if this was for the year 2013 or 2014 and other concerns were asked. Stan will get the answers to these questions and bring it back to the Trustees.

The Building, Health, and Fire Departments have been contacted and they are willing to go to the Middlefield Bank Property and write up a report saying what is needed to get an occupancy permit for the dwelling.

Stan was asked if he had talked to the utility companies concerning being taxed and except from late fees. He said that he was planning on putting a letter in each statement. He was instructed to contact each utility by phone and ask what each one needs from us to accomplish this. He will call each company before the next meeting.

Stan was also asked to contact the Portage Emergency Management Agency about any news concerning any payment from the July 10th storm. He will see Annette Pantronic, Director, tomorrow and report back to the Board.

Stan left the meeting because of a family issue and Kathy will bring the information to Stan after the rest of the meeting.

Old: The Portage County Engineer's Office said that nothing needs done concerning the easement of Hankee Road just west of St. Rt. 700. It should not be pursued until the time work is needed done. The south side is in good shape, but the north side may need some work soon. When something does fail, it will need to be replaced.

Kathy has found 2 letters that Mike and Ed both acknowledge that they were to put up the siren by Village Gate and they were pay for it. But nothing from the BZA. Kathy will continue to look.

Kathy talked to Chris about the resolution and that the Hiram Village Solicitor does not want to talk to us and does not want to deal with the Township. Chris has not received anything from The Village Solicitor. Jack will talk with Mayor Bertrand again to try to get some movement on this issue.

Kathy has talked to the County Commissioners about the recycling issue. Kathy then called Andrew at the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and he called Bill and told him not to buy any new trucks. He is to purchase used if need be and no single stream. Quote (they are to limp along). We are under our old contract until the EPA gets a new contract in place.

New:

Jack asked about anyone wanting to do the Farmland Preservation. The Township can sponsor someone if the county does not do it.

Jack asked that the Moore's application fee be waived for the variance hearing. All agreed to waive the fee. Jack will inform the Moore's about this. Rich will be informed that an application may be coming.

Steve had someone call about replacing a garbage can. Steve said that the can was replaced by the Kimble.

An e-mail was received about a solid waste meeting in Commissioner's Office on October 24, 2013 at 9:30 AM.

Zoning: A new pile of dirt is on site at the Seneff's house as well as the tractor and other miscellaneous junk. Kathy will contact Chris.

Fire Report: The squad will be back in service soon.

The culvert on St. Rt. 82 just south of Hiram Village is in need of repair and the Ohio Department of Transportation will be working on this. The road will be closed while work is being done. It may be closed for four to six weeks.

Road Report: Tom has an area ready for collecting used oil. He has a 300 gallon tank for storage. A company will be emptying it on an as needed basis. They are in our area every Monday. Please have people leave the container(s) and the Road Crew will empty it into the tank. If people want the container back, just let them know. The information will be added to the web site.

Tom has added liquid to the sides of Allyn Road and has about \$27,838.00 in the work on Allyn Road. Tom also talked about the creek area on Schustrich Road and Buckeye has pipe running by. Tom met with Buckeye and what to do about fixing any problem in this area. Buckeye engineering will look at the situation soon to see what to do to help. Tom hopes to get some information from Buckeye in the next month or two.

The old dump truck is at the Edinburg Auction site and will be sold on October 19, 2013.

Jack motioned to pay the bills. Steve seconded the motion. The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Electronic	Salary	10/1/2013	4387.12
Electronic	Wages	10/3/2013	4627.44
8390	Postmaster of Hiram	2 Rolls of stamps	92.00
8391	Stan Carlisle	Dell office equipment	171.19
8392	Record Publishing Co.	2 legal adds	24.00
8393	Ohio Historical Society	Just the Basics Webinar	20.00
8394	Industrial Connections, Inc.	Supplies	156.03

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.