

Hiram Township

Regular Hiram Township Trustees Meeting Minutes for

December 17, 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 December 3, 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: Stan went to the UAN training held by the Ohio Auditor of State.

Talked with Mark Finamore and he will send letter to us concerning the issues discussed.

The Joint Meeting of the Zoning Board and the Board of Zoning Appeals with Todd Peetz from the Portage County Regional Planning Commission was held and the Comprehensive Plan has been sent onto Regional Planning and will soon come before the Trustees for final approval.

Dawn from the Solid Waste has asked for a letter of support for the scrap tire grant. Stan will send a letter of support.

Josh Johnson shows that the web site had 111 visits from October 19 till November 18, 2013. Do we have a way to increase traffic to the web site? We will ask any reporters to include it in any newspaper articles.

The letter sent from Medical Mutual shows that our fees will increase by about 2.72% plus any increase in the change of premium. Dave Auble, Ohio Health Benefits, LLC, will be asked to come to our January 21, 2014 meeting to inform us of any changes coming.

It was announced that Commissioner Tommie Jo Marsilio will be present to swear in Kathy and Steve to their new terms as Trustees.

Old: The people are asking for \$500,000.00 for the ten acre parcel just west of Hiram Village. All feel that is a little high. Stan will send a letter with a counter offer.

Kathy went to the Solid Waste meeting with the County Commissioners. They discussed a five year contract that may only be good for three months. They are still under control of EPA until they get approval from them.

Stan will meet with Karen Demian to try to finish up the work in organizing our records and being able to destroy the ones no longer needed.

New: Steve said that a zoning inspector meeting put on by the Portage County Regional Planning Commission will be January 14, 2014. He thinks it would be good information for Rich.

Zoning: Rich has given all the paperwork to the Moores. He will check on a building going up on St. Rt. 700. And nothing new from Chris Merduri on the Middlefield Bank, Sennek or Koscher properties. Rich will talk to him. More stuff in Seniff's back yard.

Fire Report: December 22 at 5:00 PM, the Fire Department will help Santa deliver gifts to Hiram Village and Hiram Township kids. Any questions should be directed to the Fire Department at 330-569-9826.

Road Report: Tom has issued a permit to Dominion East Ohio Gas to dig in the Hiram Township Right of way. They are adding some gas lines and will keep them at least four feet deep. Most of it is plastic lines and they are running tracing wire alongside of any lines.

Tom and Stan will be checking the inventory and updating the asset confirmation list. A copy will be sent to the Portage County Engineer's Office.

Salt storage is still an issue, but the Road Crew will do the best they can in keeping up with any bad weather. A new light has been added to the back area of the garage.

Kathy has received several comments on how good the township roads are being maintained. She thanked Tom and the Road Crew for the great work.

Discussion continued on the chip and seal and the double chip and seal being done to the roads. Tom said the single chip and seal is about \$9,000.00 per mile and the double chip and seal is around \$18,000.00 per mile. This is a lot cheaper than if we were to hire this work out.

Jack motioned to pay the bills. Steve seconded the motion. After a short discussion the motion was approved by voice vote.

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electronic	Wages 11/24/13-12/7/13	Paid 12/11/13	6635.76
8508	Ohio Edison	4 bills	173.07
8509	Hiram Village	Water	11.80
8510	Hiram Village	Fuel November	221.55
8511	Roberta Zuver	Oct/Nov	40.00
8512	Middlefield Farm & Garden	Parts	20.47
8513	Mantua Harware Lawn & Garden	Parts	69.73
8514	Ohio Diesel Injection Service	Parts	386.90
8515	Cross Truck Equipment	Parts	28.14
8516	Morton Salt Inc.	Salt 2 bills	1234.09

8517	Stan Carlisle	Travel UAN Meeting	220.62
TOTAL			9042.13

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM.