

Hiram Township

Regular Meeting July 5, 2011

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

Chairman Pancost opened the meeting with the reading of the minutes of the June 21, 2011 meeting. Minutes approved as read.

Chairman Pancost recognized Mr. Jack Groselle who asked if the meeting minutes would continue to be posted on the Hiram Township website. Diane Rodhe, Fiscal Officer confirmed the continued web-posting of meeting minutes.

Chairman Pancost recognized Ms. Sandy Wagoner who asked who is responsible for injury if someone falls from the backstop at the baseball field in Hiram Rapids. Ms. Wagoner has noticed kids climbing the backstop on more than one occasion. Mr. Pancost stated that he would check with Chris Meduri.

Mr. Doug Brewer presented a Hiram Township Ledger dated 1819 to Mr. Richard Masters to be kept in the Hiram Historical Society Archives.

Old Business:

2012 Tentative Budget was discussed. Ms. Schulda motioned to approve the budget. Mr. Bosma seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE, Mr. Bosma AYE.

Ms. Schulda gave an update on Portage County Solid Waste Management. Chris Meduri will review and approve the contract before going out for bids.

Ms. Schulda will be attending the Portage County 911 meeting at the Justice Center on July 6, 2011.

Mr. Pancost will be consulting with Chris Meduri regarding the planting of trees in the right-of-way on Udall Road.

Mr. Bosma observed four tractor trailers sitting on Allyn Road. It is unclear if the trucks were discharging or loading. He encouraged all residents to be aware of increased drilling activity in the area. Ms. Schulda volunteered to further investigate the truck activity on Allyn Road.

New Business:

Fire Report:

Hiram Fire Chief Bill Byers stated nothing to report.

Zoning Report:

Hiram Township Trustees will host a Public Hearing to review and accept zoning changes.

Ms. Schulda motioned to hold the meeting at 6:30 pm before the Township Trustee Meeting on August 2, 2011. Mr. Bosma second the motion with the condition that the Public Hearing Notice is posted in the Weekly Villager at least two times before August 2, 2011. Roll call vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Bosma AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE.

Mr. Garey reported that Mr. Robert Seneff has declined to sign the proper building permit and Mr. Bosma suggested that the situation be turned over to Chris Meduri for further review.

Mr. Garey reviewed the three most recent building permits in the township.

Road Report:

Mr. Matata reports that the new pickup truck has been delivered. The backhoe has been in Canton for repair and is not complete. The septic system has been pumped and window repair is planned for the Townhall and the Township Garage.

Mr. Matata asked if the township has a policy regarding American flags marking the graves of Veterans. His specific concern is “who maintains or replaces the flags if they become damaged or missing?” Mr. Richard Masters has been responsible for placing the flags on the graves and the flags are provided by the Veterans Administration. Ms. Schulda motioned to leave the flags in place all year and purchase replacement flags for the damaged flags that have been properly disposed of. Mr. Bosma second the motion. Roll call vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Bosma Aye, Mr. Pancost AYE.

Mr. Bosma motioned to pay the bills and adjourn the meeting. Ms. Schulda second the motion. Roll call vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Bosma AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE

The following bills were paid and the meeting adjourned:

7310	pickup truck	Kepich Ford	19563.35
7311	compressor	Eaton Compressor	2078.00
7312	Wages	Matata	1506.19
7313	Wages	Firtik	1144.54
7314	Wages	Roosa	1045.32
7315	Wages	Bello	1084.32
7319	Wages	Bosma	848.85
7320	Wages	Pancost	848.85
7321	Wages	Schulda	848.85
7322	Wages	Brewer	800.00
7323	Wages	Garey	610.00
7324	Parts	TL Service	59.15
7325	Sealing Equipment	Russell Standard	1885.96
7326	Truck decal	United Safety	75.00
7327	Electric	Ohio Edison	190.61
7328	Phone	Windstream	224.84
7329	Natural Gas	Dominion	58.00
		Total	\$32871.83

