

Hiram Township

Regular Meeting Minutes September 20, 2011

Present: Steve Pancost, Tom Bosma

Chairman Pancost opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the September 6, 2011 meeting minutes. Tom Bosma motioned to accept the minutes and Steve Pancost seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as read.

Fiscal Officer Report: We have received 18 applications in response to the "Help Wanted" ad in the Villager. The trustees will respond to the applicants. Reminder for the new township phone number of 330-527-5700.

Announcements: Roberta Zuver presented information on behalf of Portage County District Library. The PCDL will be on the Nov 8 ballot with a 1 mill, 5-year levy supporting five PCDL branches in Aurora, Garrettsville, Randolph, Streetsboro, and Windham.

Sandy Wagoner was recognized and she thanked Tom Matata and the roadcrew for their assistance with the flooding on the weekend of Sept 10<sup>th</sup>.

Doug Brewer was recognized with his question regarding the income tax notice that he and other township employees have received from the Village of Hiram. After discussion, it was determined that Chairman Pancost would be in contact with Chris Meduri to find out what action is being taken at this time and Chairman Pancost will include Doug Brewer in the group that is seeking representation.

Fire Report: The fire department reports a total of 44 calls for the month of August with 27 of those calls being in the Township. The average response time for the Township calls is 5 minutes, 53 seconds. The fire department is planning for road closings and detours while communicating the same with mutual aid departments.

Old Business: Nothing to report

New Business: Chairman Pancost announced a Citizen Alert received from the Environmental Protection Agency regarding an upcoming meeting about emission standards in the region. Chairman Pancost also announced a public meeting being held sponsored by the Geauga County Parks District at Swine Creek on Thursday, September 22 regarding the Western Reserve Land Conservancy.

Kathy Schulda has completed the OTARMA Insurance review and the church in Hiram Rapids will continue to be insured for \$120,000 plus liability by the Hiram Township Trustees.

Chairman Pancost reported that Kathy Schulda received a concerned citizen phone call regarding a parked car blocking the view of the intersection at Asbury and Pioneer Trail. The car has been moved.

Chairman Pancost reported that there is a rumor going around that the Village and the College are planning to proceed with Annexation. This is only a rumor. The truth is that the attorneys, Tom Chema,

Steve Pancost, and others will be meeting to discuss the three active law suits in an effort to get things resolved without going to court.

Zoning Report: The shed has not been removed from the Seneff property, therefore, the following resolution was passed. **Resolution 2011-24: On September 20, 2011, Tom Bosma motioned to approve civil prosecution of Robert Seneff for violations of the Township Zoning Code or junk motor vehicle resolution. Chairman Pancost seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bosma AYE, Pancost AYE. See attached document for signatures.**

Road Report: Tom Matata reports that the township pickup truck is in for scheduled repair and he has negotiated with John Deere on the repair bill for the backhoe. It was agreed that Hiram Township would pay a total of \$4474.00 of which \$3758 is for parts and \$716 is for transportation and labor. The chip and seal work has been completed with the exception of the “wings” and the weather is the only reason it is not completed at this time. Culverts have been replaced on Allyn Road (2 crossover and 4 driveways).

Adjourn: Tom Bosma motioned to pay the bills and adjourn the meeting. Chairman Pancost seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Pancost AYE, Bosma AYE. The meeting was adjourned and the following bills were paid:

2011-09-20 Meeting Payments

7500	Hart Industries Inc	Materials	280.00
7501	Ohio Dept of Job & Family Service	Employer's Int Pmt	4.03
7502	Ohio Dept of Taxation	Income Tax	553.70
electronic	IRS	Federal Income Tax	1,389.00
7503	Matata	Wages	1,758.59
7504	Firtik	Wages	1,269.38
7505	Roosa	Wages	1,176.39
7506	Bello	Wages	1,232.90
7507	Ohio Edison	Street Lights	256.76
7508	Treasurer State of Ohio	State Income Tax	795.00
7509	Portage Regional Planning	Zoning Books	245.00
7510	Airgas Great Lakes	Propane Gas	203.30
7511	Village of Hiram	Fuel	90.89
7512	The Weekly Villager	Help Wanted Ad	14.00
7513	Industrial Connections	Tarps	154.06
7514	Oscar Brugmann Sand & Gravel	Materials	981.51
7515	Gee-Ville Auto Body	Parts	171.93
7516	Quick Service Welding	Welding Repair	16.00
7517	Quick Service Welding	Stone Protectors	45.00
7518	Russell Standard Corp	Asphalt	9,209.55
7519	Frontier	Phone, DSL	173.35

7520	Ohio Plan Healthcare Consortium	Healthcare	4,317.84
7521	OPERS Employee	Employee Contribution	1,810.97
7522	OPERS Employer	Employer Contribution	2,535.34
7523	Doug Brewer	Consultation	525.00
7524	Carter Lumber - NOPEC FUND	Windows	5,525.23
7525	Carter Lumber - post NOPEC FUND	Windows	1,868.77
			36,603.49