

Hiram Township

Regular Meeting Minutes August 7, 2012

Present: Chairman Groselle, Steve Pancost, Kathy Schulda

Chairman Groselle opened the meeting at 7:01 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for the reading of the July 17, 2012 regular meeting minutes. Minutes were read. Kathy Schulda motioned to approve the minutes as corrected. Steve Pancost seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Groselle AYE, Pancost AYE, Schulda AYE. The motion was approved. The reading of the special meeting on July 24, 2012 was done. Steve Pancost motioned that the minutes be approved with additions. Jack Groselle seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Groselle AYE, Pancost AYE, Schulda AYE. The motion was approved.

Steve Pancost motioned to approve Resolution 2012-13 to proclaim the Hiram Township Trustees' to participate in the Moving Ohio Forward Grant. Kathy Schulda seconded the motion. After some discussion a Roll Call Vote was called: Groselle AYE, Pancost AYE, Schulda, AYE. Resolution 2012-13 has been approved.

Kathy Schulda motioned to approve Resolution 2012-15 declaring the public purpose in Hiram Township opposing the Village of Hiram's efforts to tax the income of the employee of Hiram Township, and requesting the County Prosecutor's Office to represent Hiram Township in any legal action necessary that employees of Hiram Township do not owe Hiram Village income tax, for reason that the principal place of business is not at the Township Hall. Steve Pancost seconded the motion. After some discussion, a Roll Call Vote was called: Groselle AYE, Pancost AYE, Schulda AYE. Resolution 2012-15 has been approved and will be sent on to the Portage County Prosecutor's Office and to Hiram Village Council.

Guest Tim Kasper from Hiram Township asked about follow-up from the July 24th meeting with the representatives from Mountaineer Keystone concerning oil and gas drilling. A short discussion followed. The Fire Department's Chief stated that the department staff is up to date on HAZ-Mat training and can also call in resources if anything were to happen concerning the drilling or transport of anything associated with oil and gas drilling.

The President of the Hiram Council, Tom Wadkins, was present and told the Trustees THANK YOU for conducting the meeting.

A discussion concerning the Solid Waste District. Steve Pancost moved to have Jack look into working with Hiram College and Hiram Village to possibly create our own solid waste district and to keep any profit in our own solid waste district. Kathy Schulda seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion was approved and Jack will be following up.

Fire Report: Chief Byers reported that all is going well with the Fire Department. The gator is working well to help stop grass fires. Kay Ziska sent a report showing that in the second quarter, receipts for EMS was \$15,556.61 and the total for the year is \$21,930.07.

Old Business:

Steve: He will be meeting with Regional Planning about finishing our updated plan.

Steve has also met with representatives of the Couch property and a conversation is ongoing.

Kathy: She asked about placing new ads for a secretary for the Board of Zoning Appeal and Zoning Board. Ads will be placed in the Record Courier and the Villager again.

The Thrasher/Rapids road property is still an issue and we will meet with representatives from Middlefield Bank, Health Department, Building Department, Fire Department and the County Prosecutor's Office.

New Business:

Jack: He started a discussion concerning the Regional Planning Office. There is concern about the County Commissioners taking over control of it.

Zoning Report: Rich will be working with Chris Merduri from the County Prosecutor's Office to start court action. Rich's letter is attached.

Road Report: Tom said that the chip and seal is done for this year. Some of the chip and seal has been done with bigger stone.

Kathy Schulda motioned to pay the bills. Steve Pancost seconded the motion. Groselle AYE, Schulda AYE, Pancost AYE. The attached bills were paid.

Mr. Al Schrader, Attorney at Law, Scot A. Stevenson Co., LLC, was given the floor and he asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2012-16 authorizing execution of an agreed judgment entry to resolve three (3) separate lawsuits in the Portage County Court of Common Pleas, including one involving annexation, one involving the sunshine law and one involving the appropriation of property. After some discussion, Steve Pancost motioned to approve Resolution 2012-16. Kathy Schulda seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Groselle ABSTAIN, Pancost AYE, Schulda AYE. Resolution 2012-16 was approved.

He asked that Resolution 2012-17 to proclaim the Hiram Township Trustees' intention to strictly adhere to the Ohio Sunshine Law and Public Records Act. After some discussion, Steve Pancost motioned to approve Resolution 2012-17. Kathy Schulda seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Groselle AYE, Schulda AYE, Pancost AYE. Resolution 2012-17 was approved.

electronic	Employees	Wages	13866.19
7944	Windstream	Phone	113.46
7945	Frank Gates	BWC fee for Frank Gates	620.00
7946	Arms Trucking Co.	59.90 Tons of 6M Slag	1362.73
7947	Frontier	Phone	141.58
7948	Verizon	Phone	312.38
7949	Russell Standard Corp	HFRS-2 Material	42030.36
7950	Southeastern Equipment Co., Inc.	Parts	78.42
7951	kepich Ford	Parts	43.60
7952	Dale Johnson	Roller operator	775.28
7953	Village of Hiram	Fuel	59.99
7954	Village of Hiram	Water	11.47
7955	Garrettsville Hardware	Supplies	27.56
7956	Gee-Ville Auto Parts Corp	Parts	133.34
7957	Dexter Company	Poly Convoluted	320.00
electronic	OPERS	Employee amount May	1685.82
electronic	OPERS	Employer amount May	2359.74
electronic	OPERS	Employee amount June	1706.72
electronic	OPERS	Employer amount June	2389.42
7958	Silica Septic Tank service	Tank pumping	185.00
7959	Rich Strainer, LLC	Repair steps and paint	154.37
7960	Western Reserve	Fuel	1,559.88
7961	Burnham/Flower of Ohio	Bond	641.00
7962	Dominion	Gas	2.94
7963	Shalersville Asphalt co.	404	236.34

Mr. Schrader also stated that his services for the Hiram Township Trustees are coming to an end and he thanked everyone.

Adjourn: Chairman Groselle adjourned the meeting at 8:39 pm.