

Hiram Township

Regular Meeting Minutes October 16, 2012 7:00 PM

Present: Chairman Groselle, Steve Pancost, Kathy Schulda

Chairman Groselle opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the October 2, 2012 minutes. Steve Pancost motioned to approve the minutes as corrected. Kathy Schulda seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Groselle AYE, Pancost AYE, Schulda AYE. The minutes were approved.

A letter was read by Stan from Randy and Cindy Guyette. The letter talked about the hard work and diligence of the crew on the update of Schustrich Road. Great job guys!

Jim Zuccaro of Summit Insurance, a representative for the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority, was on hand to answer any questions concerning our insurance policy with them. The rate was discovered to be lower than last year by \$714 making it \$14,630.00 for the year.

Josh Johnston was also on hand to talk about our website. We owe Data Voice nothing and have not used them for at least the last two years. A letter will be sent to them to see if they will return last year's payment.

Charles Patterson, who owns 12877 Thrasher/Rapids Road, has hired a contractor and will continue to make improvements onto the house. He will need approval from the Hiram Fire Department, The Portage County Building Department and the Portage County Health Department before anyone could move into the structure.

Hiram Fire Department Report: September had 45 runs with an average response time of 4 minutes 16 seconds. The Halloween Party will be at the Station at 7:00pm October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Old Business: Steve said that the Forestry Plan has a survey that people are asked to fill out to help improve the plan.

He also said we still don't know if we will be getting any of the \$500,000.00 grant to help with any demolition of condemned properties.

Kathy asked about any new oil well permits. It was discussed that they can be found on the Ohio Department of Natural Resources website.

She also wanted to make sure that if anyone bids at Sheriff's sale on a condemned property, they should be told of what is needed to bring it up to code. She also asked that all paperwork concerning this property and the Middlefield Bank's legal action, be turned over to Chris Merduri as soon as possible.

Kathy will be going to the State Tax Committee to plead her case concerning the Village income tax issue. She also said Chris talked to the Village Solicitor and they are not interested in any percentage of an income tax payment.

Jack talked to Jeff Strainer about working on the Town Hall. He has agreed to do the work for \$2,000.00 if he can get it done this fall.

New Business: Steve said the Regional Planning Commission will host a zoning meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow.

They have also received a grant of \$94,000.00 to map all existing industrial buildings. This is a big help in introducing our communities to outside groups and what the area has to offer.

Zoning Report: Rich is waiting for service to Cynthia Sanderson concerning storing of vehicles on the property. Kathy asked about Mr. Mays and his wanting to build an out building which would meet zoning size requirements but not Rolling Meadows bylaws. This will be the responsibility of Rolling Meadows to enforce the rules of the Rolling Meadows Association.

Road Report: Tom commented on a check received from Kepich Ford. A refund of \$167.94 was received for repairs done on our 2011 F150 brakes. Thanks Kepich!

Repairs are continuing on different areas of Hiram Township and repairs and new tires on equipment will be continuing this fall and winter. Tom also mentioned the need to be replacing one of the plow trucks possibly next year. The cost would be in the range of about \$125,000.00.

Kathy motioned to pay the bills. Steve seconded the motion. By voice vote the motion was approved and the following bills where paid.

			41198.00
electronic	OPERS August	Employees 10%	1742.70
electronic	OPERS August	Employers 14 %	2439.76
electronic	OPERS September	Employees 10%	1689.06
electronic	OPERS September	Employers 14 %	2364.66
electronic	Wages		4543.37
8035	OTARMA	Insurance 12-13	13916.00
8036	Ohio Edison	180 & 402	100.21
8037	Frontier	phone	88.35
8038	Auburn Pipe	Supplies	35.12
8039	Hiram Village	Water	11.47
8040	Hiram Village	Fuel	63.68
8041	Ohio diesel	Parts	98.04
8042	Western Reserve	Fuel	1630.55
8043	Garrettsville Hardware	Supplies	86.56

8044	Wise Chevrolet	Supplies	109.78
8045	TL Service Center	Parts	133.86
8046	Ohio CAT	Parts	74.63
8047	Bureau of Worker's Compensation	Coverage	2652.27
8048	Verizon Wireless	Cells	112.62
8049	Zeigler Earthworks	Top Soil	70.00

Chairman Groselle adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.