

Hiram Township

Regular Meeting (Corrected) Minutes February 19, 2013 7:00 PM

Present: Chairman Kathy Schulda, Steve Pancost and Jack Groselle

Chairman Schulda opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes for the February 5, 2013 Trustee Meeting were read. Jack motioned that the minutes be approved. Steve seconded the motion. Kathy AYE, Steve AYE, Jack AYE. The minutes were approved.

Doug Brewer talked about the Hiram Community Trust and the opportunity for grant funds. After some discussion, it was decided that the Township Trustees would apply for funds to have an AED unit installed at the Township Hall and the Township Garage. The deadline for proposals is April 12, 2013. Last year the Trust awarded about \$50,000.00 to local groups. Doug was also asked to stay on as the Township Trustees Representative for the next term. He will think about it and will check to see if he can stay on per term limitations.

The MORE – Managing Ohio Risk Exposures Risk Management Grant Program from the Ohio Township Association may also be a source for grant money for AEDs. It offers grants of up to \$500.00 and can be applied for until December 1, 2013.

Fire report: They are still working with the new Fiscal Officer to be able to generate the reports we are asking for concerning the expenses of the Fire Department. The Village has increased funding for the EMS. Monsanto has also given the Fire Department a \$2,500.00 grant thru Dale Brookover who applied for the grant to be used on fire equipment.

The survey about what is needed for the updated plan for Hiram Township will be on the web site soon and also in the Weekly Villager March 1, 2013 issue. The next ongoing meeting of the Zoning Board and Board of Zoning Appeals with Todd Peetz will be March 12<sup>th</sup> at the Townhall at 7:00PM.

Old Business: Kathy opened the only bid received for a new Plow Truck. It was from Cerni Motor Sales, Inc., Youngstown, Ohio. Jack made the motion to pass a resolution to except the bid from Cerni for the plow truck and from The Gledhill Road Machinery Co for the bed and hydraulics to go on the new truck. Steve seconded the motion. After a short discussion, a roll call vote was called: Jack AYE, Steve AYE and Kathy AYE. The following resolution was approved:

**Resolution 2013-5 was approved to except the bid from Cerni Motor Sales, Inc. for a new 2014 7400 SFA 4X2 (SA525) plow truck and the bid from The Gledhill Road Machinery Co. for the needed bed and hydraulics equipment for the new plow truck.**

The Purchase Orders will be given to Tom Matota and he will place the order for the truck and other equipment for it. He hopes to have the new truck by spring.

Jack motioned to pass a resolution to turn down the current solid waste plan. Steve seconded the motion. After a short discussion, a roll call vote was taken. Jack AYE, Steve AYE and Kathy AYE. The following resolution was approved:

**Resolution 2013-6 was approved to turn down the current version of the Portage County Solid Waste District Plan.**

Steve said that he has talked with a Couch representative and the discussion has started regarding buying some property from them. The Western Reserve Land Conservancy, 3850 Chagrin River Road, Moreland Hills, Ohio 44022 may help with this process. Steve will continue to pursue more discussion.

Steve also went to the last Regional Planning Commission meeting with nothing to report.

New Business: Steve has been talking with Chris Merduri about the possibility of annexing the Township Garage property from the Village. He will pursue this, but added that the Village would need to agree.

Kathy asked that the list of Hiram Officials be updated. Stan said that he will take care of that.

Jack attended the Soil and Water Storm Water meeting and reported that they talked about what to do with road kill. We no longer pick up road kill and any road kill should be removed from the road right-of-way and put lime on it. A statement concerning what to do with road kill will be put on the web site.

Over the last two years, the Portage County engineers have been able to put all the road ditches into the County GIS web site.

It was also noted that 2 people have been issued orders from the Portage County Health District, to update their septic systems because of the storm water inspections.

Steve said that the Seneffs have removed the shed.

The Solid Waste Plan was discussed again and it was agreed that the fees for recycling bids should be up so that curb side service is more attractive.

Kathy said that the Portage County Health District's Advisory Committee Meeting is March 20<sup>th</sup> at the Elks Club in Ravenna. The doors will open at 6:30 and dinner will be at 7:00PM with the meeting and program to follow.

The tire pickup is coming and we will be setting a date with the Village to continue this.

Pander Trucking was finally contacted and they will be meeting to discuss any repairs of Allyn Road will take place on the 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM.

Road Report: Tom shared with the Board a card that had been received by the Road Department. It read in part "Keep up the good work". Nice job Guys! It was from Joseph Patella. Tom also reported that the salt usage has been on the high side this year. Tom also was appreciated about getting a new plow truck ordered.

Jack motioned to pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Steve. By voice vote the motion was approved by all. The following bills were paid:

8163	Ohio Edison	110 040 363 910	38.36
8164	Hiram Village	Fuel Jan & Feb	498.31
8165	Industrial Connections, Inc.	Paint	5.89
8166	Quick Service Welding	Parts	57.00
8167	Medical mutual	3/1-4/1/13 Premium	4127.84
8168	Kepich Ford	Truck repair 2011 F-150	333.19
8169	Tom Matota	Supplies salt, Drv Abstr, lock	52.81
8170	Cargill	2/4/13 1ACQ00048607	923.79
<b>TOTAL</b>			

Chairman Schulda adjourned the meeting at 8:21 PM.