

Hiram Township

Regular Hiram Township Trustees Meeting Minutes for

May 7, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Hiram Township Hall

Present: Chairman Kathy Schulda, Steve Pancost and Jack Groselle

Chairman Schulda opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

This meeting is being taped to facilitate the written minutes. Once the written minutes are approved, the tape will be reused.

The minutes from the April 16, 2013 Trustee's meeting were read. After a short discussion, Jack motioned to approve the minutes as corrected. Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Kathy AYE, Steve AYE and Jack AYE. The minutes were approved as corrected.

**Fiscal Officer:** A Zoning Board Meeting has been advertised for May 28, 2013 and will be held at the Hiram Township Hall at 8:00 PM. The continuation of the joint meeting of the Hiram Zoning Board and Hiram Board of Zoning Appeals will continue at the Hiram Township Hall on May 28, 2013 at 7:00 PM with The Director of the Portage County Regional Planning Commission, Todd Peetz.

Major Dale Kelly of the Portage County Sheriff's Office called and is interested in speaking with the Trustees concerning added police patrol for the Township. Kathy said it would be alright and asked Stan to invite him to a Trustee Meeting. This will be taken care of soon.

Charles Patterson has told me he is working with the Building Department on drawings for his remodeling of this home on Rapids/Thrasher Road.

Tom Briggs is moving and has sent us a note saying that he is resigning from the Board of Zoning Appeals. The alternate members will be asked if they want to replace him. Stan will take care of this.

**Guest:** Mr. Robert Walker, EMS Coordinator for Robinson Memorial Hospital, talked about the concerns of the Hiram Fire Department and diverting Ambulances from going to Robinson. Bob said that Robinson has never been closed and they are the safety net for the community.

Mr. Joe Casteel, Regional Project Coordinator for Reserve Energy Exploration, asked about the lease agreement for oil and gas below the 9.200 acres owned by the Hiram Township Trustees north of Norton Road and west of Mumford Road that contains a cemetery. This is a No Surface Occupation lease. After some discussion, Jack motioned to approve signing the lease approved by Chris Merduri from the Portage County prosecutor's Office. Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was done. Jack AYE, Steve AYE, Kathy NAY. The motion to sign the "No surface Occupation Oil & Gas Lease" with Reserve Energy Exploration Company was approved.

Chief Ed Samec from the Hiram Village Police Department gave a presentation about the possibility of providing additional police coverage for Hiram Township. Discussion followed for a time. After more

information is gathered, the proposal will be further reviewed. The question about traffic ticket money coming to the Township was asked. Kathy will check with Chris Merduri about this issue.

**Old:** Kathy is still talking with Chris Merduri about a tornado siren by Village Gate.

Kathy also said the Diane King from the Ohio Department of Agriculture has closed any case against the Moore's and the airport on April 30, 2013. Kathy is waiting to talk to Chris Merduri about the Township's next move concerning the Moore's airport.

Steve has left messages with people from the Village concerning getting together to discuss the income tax issue. So far no communication has happened. The Trustees will continue to try to set up a meeting with people from Hiram Village.

The people that use the ball field will be asked to put all stuff from the field and all trash into the dumpster by the Church and not over the fence onto the neighbor's property. Stan will send a letter to the Hot Stove Baseball people.

Kathy asked for the name of the company that Pander Trucking should send any money for road repair. It is Ronyak or Shalersville asphalt.

Steve is still trying to reach Mrs. Spencer about the Couch property.

Kathy went to the Commissioner's meeting with Solid Waste. Still no numbers for dumpsters. And the Commissioners said we cannot get a bid for recycling on our own.

**NEW:** Discussion about the Koscher property and cleaning it up continued. It was mentioned that he no longer lives on the property. Chris Merduri says we already have a 2007 judgment to start this.

A shale oil meeting will be at Maplewood on May 8, 2013.

**Zoning Report:** Rich will be getting an estimate for cleaning up the Kocher property.

The back hoe is still sitting out at the Seneffs and Rich is talking to Chris Merduri about it.

Rich is working on several other issues. He is asking about some help with the fencing code.

**Road Report:** Jack motioned to except the liquid bid from JASA Asphalt Materials. Steve seconded the motion. After a short discussion a roll call vote was taken. Kathy AYE, Steve, Aye, Jack AYE. The motion was approved to except the bid for liquid from JASA Asphalt Materials.

Tom said the truck will be in soon. He also thanked Jack and the Groselle Family for letting him park equipment over the winter.

**Fire Report:** Chief Byers said all is going well. The March report showed 37 total runs with an average response time of 5 minutes 19 seconds.

Jack motioned to pay the following bills. Steve seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion to pay the bills was approved. Stan was asked to check on the added fees to the Frontier bill and not pay it at this time.

Electronic	Salary April 2013		4285.56
Electronic	Wages 5/2/13		4645.03
8229	Cerni Motor Sales, Inc.	2014 7400 Plow Truck	79879.69
8230	Ohio Township Association	Fiscal Officer Sourcebook	30.00
8231	Ohio Edison	2 bills	50.15
8232	Stamm Contracting Company	3.5 Gal Spray	189.75
8233	Hiram Village	Water April	11.47
8234	Windsream	Phone Garage	53.79
8235	Powerplan	Murphy Tractor parts	37.17
8236	Geeville Auto Parts	parts	37.57
8237	D and R Supply Inc.	Cold Mix	572.60
8238	Garrettsville Hardware	shop supplies	11.64
8239	Oscar Brugmann Sand & Gravel, Inc.	Top soil	60.69
8240	Wise Chevrolet	Parts	269.83
8241	Stamm Contracting Company	supplies	189.75
8242	Zeigler Earthworks	top soil	42.00
<b>8243</b>	<b>Frontier</b>	<b>Stan's phone</b>	<b>92.98</b>
8244	Western reserve	Duraturf	69.95
8245	Verizon	cell phones	51.66
8246	Dominion Gas	Gas 2 bills	204.04
8247	Concrete Cutting Systems, LLC	Asphalt Blade	98.00
8248	Ohio Edison	2 bills	291.11

Total                                      Does not include Frontier.                                      \$91,681.45

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 8:56 PM.