

Hiram Township

Regular Hiram Township Trustees Meeting Minutes for

May 21, 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 minutes are approved, the tape will be reused.

The minutes for the May 7, 2013 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 motion was approved.

Fiscal Officer: Chris Merduri, Portage County Assistant Prosecutor, has been talking to the Portage County Regional Planning Commission. He has suggested that we send a letter to them asking to keep money set aside for the raising of property on Rapids/Thrasher Road. Stan will send this letter to them.

Talked with Charlie Paterson about his property at 12877 Thrasher/Rapids Road and he is working on plans with the Building Department.

Old: Discussion about police protection was discussed. The Sheriff will be coming June 4, 2013 to present a proposal for added protection. The question about any traffic ticket income was talked about and will be looked into to see if the Township can get some of the income. More to come from Chris. Also had some discussion concerning a License fee going to the Township.

It was asked that an ad be placed in the paper and on the website for new Board of Zoning Appeals and Zoning Board Members. Stan will take care of this.

The Middlefield Bank Property may be going up for Sheriff's Sale. Chris is trying to get a legal instrument in place so we are notified of an upcoming sale. This is so we can inform any buyers of the condemnation on the property. A Status Conference has been scheduled on September 18, 2013 at 9:00 AM in Courtroom #2. And Chris is working on a MOU with Middlefield Bank.

The lien on the Koscher property was discussed. Chris said it is still valid and may be an option of getting the property cleaned up.

Chris will be sending a letter concerning the Moore's property and the airport this week.

It was reported that Mrs. Spencer is not interested in selling any part of the property on Ryder Road. She would ask \$800,000.00 for the 17 acres.

New: Jack had gone to the Storm Water Task Force meeting. The Ohio EPA has audited Ravenna City and found just a few things to work on. Storm Water Credits were also discussed.

The reduced audit cost was discussed. We would not qualify for this until we have very clean audits.

It was asked that we look into the Star Ohio and Star plus programs offered by the State Treasurer of Ohio. Additional training would be required. Stan will look into it and report back.

Tips for improving our website were in the Ohio Township News.

Hiram Village has asked about having a shredder day. Mantua just had one. Kathy will check with them as to how well it went.

No one is sure if fireworks will be offered this year in the Village for the 4th of July. We hope to know soon. Discussion followed if we would donate to the fireworks cost.

Zoning: Rich will be meeting with people to get bids for cleaning up the Koscher property. He has issued 2 permits and taken in an application for a variance.

Rich is still working with Chris on other issues.

Fire Report: All is going well. The April report showed 32 runs with an average response time of 5 minutes 35 seconds.

Road Report: The tire pick up filled a large dumpster with tires that will not end up in our road ditches.

The Solid Waste District also has A shredder that can be used by the Townships, Villages and Cities.

Tom is going to be starting work on a crossover pipe on Vaught Road. He said it will cost about \$1,000.00 in supplies to do the work.

The Road Crew will be taking the Truck to Galion soon to get the dump box for it. The truck is looking good.

He asked about the income tax issue and wants to get some resolve on the issue. Discussion continued with no resolution coming out. Kathy said may want to tie this together with the police contract.

Kathy said that at a Village meeting, Mr. Reese said that the Village would not need to conform to the 50 foot buffer set for the property that has been taken by the Village from the Township.

Jack motioned to pay the bills. Steve seconded the motion. After a short discussion the motion was approved by voice vote.

electronic	Wages 5/16/13		4693.76
8249	Ohio Edison	4 bills	392.46
8250	Portage Portable Toilets, Inc	Park toilet	390.00
8251	Airgas Great Lakes	Supplies	50.88
8252	PCRP	Copies	80.57
8253	Kauffman Tire	Supplies	68.00
8254	Medical Mutual of Ohio	6/1-7/1/13 premium	4127.84
8255	Municipal Signs	Safety supplies	133.40
8256	East Manufacturing, Inc.	Supplies	247.00
8257	Village of Hiram	April fuel	163.38
8258	Chagrin Pet + Garden Supply, Inc.	Supplies	98.91
8259	Arms Trucking Co., Inc.	8 Slag 799.34 Ton	20583.03
8260	Middlefield Bank	Fire Truck Payment	16410.45
8261	API	Supplies	96.34
Total			47536.02

Kathy adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.