

Hiram Township Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2022 at 7:00 PM, Hiram Township Complex

Present: Trustees; Chairman Jack Groselle, Steve Pancost, and Debra Blake. Fiscal Officer Eric Hankinson. Zoning Inspector Rich Gano. Road Supervisor Tom Matota. Public; Hiram Fire Chief Bill Byers, Frank Tench, Brant Jessel

This meeting is being recorded to facilitate the written minutes. The tape will be preserved until the minutes are approved.

Reading of the Minutes:

Read minutes from 4/19/22 Meeting. Ms. Blake motioned to approve the minutes, Mr. Pancost seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote on the Motion: All Ayes

Read minutes from 5/2/22 Meeting. Mr. Pancost motioned to approve the minutes, Ms. Blake seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote on the Motion: All Ayes.

Fiscal Officer:

- Signing of the remaining paperwork for the sale of 11616 Garfield Rd (Township Hall)
- Update on Spectrum Business Internet new facility – Will receive a quote, Spectrum will cover \$8,000 of installation cost; Township pays the remaining amount (if any).
- Otarma Coverage review on assets of the Township
- Portage County Auditor provided an Amended Budget. Mr. Groselle motioned to accept the amended budget provided by the Portage County Auditor, Ms. Blake seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote on the Motion: All Ayes. This will become **Resolution 2022-011**.

Public Comment:

Mr. Tench asked the Trustees if any progress was able to be made to correct Google Maps representing his driveway as an extension of Cadek Road. Mr. Pancost stated that he has reached out to Google but received no response as of yet. It was suggested that Mr. Tench reach out to one of the local news TV stations to bring this issue to light.

Old Business:

Ms. Blake noted that the Rapids Baseball field still does not have a Port-a-pot for the summer, but was approved back in February 2022 to have them. Mr. Hankinson will reach out to the local supplier that has done this in the past to get a Port-a-pot delivered.

Ms. Blake noted the Hiram Village Police has been responding to increased hours on Limeridge and Pioneer Trail regarding a private company's truck and equipment noise. Mr. Groselle noted that the business is located on that road and not much could be done. Mr. Groselle did ask Ms. Blake to notify the Police to monitor Norton and Udall roads for speeders going around the center of Hiram Village. Ms. Blake noted that she would pass that on.

Ms. Blake is also planning an open house of the new Township facility at 6352 SR 82. The date is set for Saturday June 18 from 12:00pm to 4:00pm. She did reach out to some food trucks, and Mr. Pancost reached out to Celebrate Portage to sponsor the event. Mr. Byers would be contacted

New Business:

Mr. Groselle signed the paperwork to sell the Township Garage at 11588 Ryder Road. With the sale of the old Township Hall, a tax lien amount was held from the profit of the sale. The Title Company is reviewing the original lien and following through to ensure it is paid if needed. Proceeds of the sale of the Old Township Hall will go into the General Fund, and sale of the Township Garage would go into the Road Fund (not levy).

The shed would possibly be moved down near the beaver dam at the back of the new Township Facility's property.

Mr. Groselle received a call about drainage in Rolling Meadows going onto the Conservation Easement.

Chip and Seal will be put out to bid via the Portage County Engineers. Estimated cost is around \$240,000 for the roads the Township wants to do this season. Ms. Blake motioned to put bids out for Chip and Seal via the Portage County Engineer, Mr. Groselle seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote on the Motion: All Ayes. This will become **Resolution 2022-012**.

Road:

Mr. Matota presented some information to the Board about a heated asphalt "hot pot". He suggested he would reach out to other Townships to see if the price could be split with another Township. He will reach out to the other Road Supervisors.

Fire Report:

Chief Byers provided copies of the current fire report and reviewed it.

Police Report:

April 2022 had 942 miles over 81.5 hours of patrol time from the Hiram Village Police.

