

# Hiram Township Trustees

## Regular Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2022 at 7:00 PM, Hiram Township Complex

**Present:** Trustees; Chairman Jack Groselle, Steve Pancost, and Debra Blake. Fiscal Officer Eric Hankinson. Road Employee George Firtik. Public; None

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

### **Reading of the Minutes:**

Minutes from 7/19/22 meeting are not ready for this meeting, so reading of those minutes will be postponed until the September 19<sup>th</sup> 2022 meeting.

### **Fiscal Officer:**

- Port-a-Pot is at the Hiram Rapids Church has been delivered, removal will be December 2022 after Hiram RCCA Christmas event. To return March/April 2023.
- Sent Josh Meeting Minutes to post on web site
- Spectrum Internet for new building – Construction completion pushed back to 8/19/22
- Dept. of Commerce letter for renewal of liquor license. Letter doesn't actually mention the party involved.
- 2023 Budget Planning – special meeting Tuesday 8-23-22 @ 7:00pm
- NEU Grant of \$126,203.10 was electronically deposited on 7/12/22
- Contact info for current Board Members & Alternates of the Township Zoning Board and The Board of Zoning Appeals provided to the Board of Trustees

### **Public Comment:**

None

### **Old Business:**

Mr. Pancost mentioned that a check, from Celebrate Portage, should be coming to the Township to cover the cost of hosting the Open House back in June 2022.

Mr. Pancost contacted the Portage County Engineers regarding the Udall Road Speed Study. He has received some of the information from the study already. The Speed Limit requested is to be 40MPH.

Mr. Pancost received some new information regarding the cemetery lights. A new meter was installed and this bumped the cost to a minimum of \$80 per month. A discussion was had regarding using solar lighting but that is not very reliable in the particular usage circumstances wanted. Mr. Hankinson was asked to lookup how much the Township paid yearly to the Hiram RCCA for the list on the Flag pole. However, the light has been off for at least 6 months so Mr. Pancost will

follow up with the RCCA since the light is off, they should know their monthly electrical bill and be able to determine the cost of having the flood light on the flag pole.

Mr. Groselle mentioned that he is still receiving calls regarding Kimble not picking up trash on Friday in certain parts of the Township. Mr. Pancost and Ms. Blake will also be contacting Kimble when they receive calls from Township residents.

Mr. Groselle attended the meeting with the Portage County Budget Commission for the distribution. Townships all agreed to keep things the same. Everyone involved agreed to the terms at the end of the meeting, and the agreement is for the next 10 years.

**New Business:**

Mr. Pancost attended a recent Regional Planning Committee meeting. RRNOSO was one of the topics of the meeting – Rural Residential Neighborhood Open Space Overlay. It appears that this will become part of the County Zoning Code but more information to come in the future.

Mr. Groselle received a letter stating that the Potato Stomp will be on Headwaters Trail this year mostly.

Mr. Groselle received a letter and calls regarding University Hospitals wanting surrounding communities to contribute money to a new Life Support Ambulance Station at UH Medical Center (Ravenna). Mr. Pancost stated that more information is needed before a discussion would be had.

Road repaving will be done, by Portage County, on a section of Pioneer Trail in the near future.

Ms. Blake motioned to pay the bills. Mr. Pancost seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote on the Motion: All Ayes.

**Road:**

Mr. Firtik mentioned that the water suppling the new main Township building is still having terrible issues with iron (sediment and chunks of material in the water).

H. Luli Construction will start the Chip & Seal process on the Roads identified in the Bid.

**Zoning:**

Mr. Gano was not present at the meeting to report.

**08-16-22 Meeting Payments and Receipts**

<b>Warrant</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
11862	Steven Pancost		\$3,000.00
11863	Centerra Co-op		\$1,961.26
11864	Village of Hiram Water		\$14.66
11865	Verizon Wireless		\$92.91
11866	Industrial Connections, INC.		\$27.07
11867	Superior Dental Care		\$137.12
11868	Municipal Signs & Sales		\$174.00
11869	Stanwade Metal Products		\$78.55
11870	Bica's Lock Shop		\$364.00
11871	Miller and Company		\$147.00
11872	Mantua Hardware Lawn and Garden		\$59.99
11873	Ohio Edison		\$1,034.68
11874	Cuyahoga Asphalt Materials		\$2,299.59
11875	Marboro Supply		\$3.20
11876	Federal Field Services		\$1,817.50
electronic	Middlefield Bank		\$133.83
electronic	Windstream		\$82.12
electronic	Wages		\$14,268.37