

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2017

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on October 2, 2017 at the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Eric Smith and he led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Fiscal Officer called the roll, and the following members and guests were present.

Trustee	Eric Smith
Trustee	Mark Van Buren
Trustee	Ray Foor
Fiscal Officer	Carolyn Elder
Zoning Inspector	Tom Frederick
Road Superintendent	Ben Patterson
Guest	Vickie Noble
Guest	Jim Watkins, 83 Shull Ave., Gahanna
Guest	Jim Dean 121 Brandon, Pataskala
Guest	Brad Williams, 4671 Beaver Run Road
Guest	Drew Clark, 174 Wintergreen
Guest	Eric Fahner, 667 Forward Pass Road
Guest	Tom Dyer, 360 Forward Pass Road
Guest	Larry Kretzmann

From the floor – Eric Fahner

The Beechwood Trails Subdivision sign, which is on an island, on Citation in the road right-of-way was damaged from an accident. Mr. Fahner attended the meeting to share an estimate with the trustees. The estimate was to replace and install the sign, from Branham Sign Company in the amount of \$1,733.90. The township will receive an insurance settlement check for \$1,733.90 from Farmers Insurance of Columbus, Inc. The check was issued to Harrison Township because the sign was in the township’s road right-of-way (property owner).

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve paying Branham Sign Company \$1,733.90 (which will be paid by Farmers Insurance to the township) for the replacement and installation of a new sign for the Beechwood Trails Subdivision. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

From the floor – Jim Watkins

Mr. Watkins was in attendance concerning Ellington Village, Section 4, Part 1 and 2 which has 38 lots. Mr. Watkins explained that they wish to place a T Turnaround on the north side of Ellington Village, Section 4, Part 1. The turnaround size would be designed to meet the fire department criteria and have the same base as the standard typical section of the roads. The T

Turnaround would be temporary until spring, when Part 2 would be paved. Mr. Watkins was seeking approval to bond only the asphalt for the T Turnaround. Trustee Van Buren would like the letter to state that the road and T Turnaround will not be turned over to the township until it is completely finished. Tom Frederick will respond with a letter of approval from the trustees.

From the floor – Jim Dean

Mr. Dean lives at 121 Brandon Drive. He explained that a tree was down on an adjoining property owner, Philip Watts, which is blocking a ditch. Mr. Dean contacted Mr. Watts and the tree has not been cleared. Trustee Van Buren will visit Mr. Dean's property.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve the following:

- 1. Minutes of the September 19, 2017 special meeting**
- 2. Payment advice #154-2017 through 157-2017**
- 3. Bills and payroll, warrants 15898 through 15937**

Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Zoning Report – Tom Frederick, Zoning Inspector

The September zoning permit and fee total was \$3,101.88.

Tom presented 5991 Columbus Road as a nuisance property.

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2017 10 02 01 which states: RESOLUTION TO DECLARE AND ABATE NUISANCE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 505.87. Mark Van Buren seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

Tom presented estimates to mow the nuisance property at 5991 Columbus Road as follows:

1. A Guy and His Truck, LLC \$600.00
2. Lane's Lawn and Landscape \$350.00

-Mark Van Buren moved to adopt Resolution 2017 10 02 02 which states: WHEREAS, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section (ORC) 5579.06, if the owner, lessee, agent, or tenant having charge of land in the township on which noxious weeds, wild parsnip, wild carrot, oxeye daisy, wild mustard, or other harmful weeds are growing in accordance with ORC 5579.05 fails to comply with ORC 5579.05(A), the Harrison Township Board of Trustees shall cause the weeds to be cut or destroyed and may employ the necessary labor, material, and equipment to perform the task. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

Tom reviewed actions taken by the Licking County Planning Commission.

Variance #2017-039-V: A variance from Section 301.4 (A,2) of the Subdivision Regulations to allow the division of an existing 50 acre parcel (#025-068082-00.001) to be divided without any frontage along an improved public roadway, but rather with 60 feet of frontage along the stubs of two existing platted right-of-ways (Meridian Drive and Dark Star Drive). The Board

conditionally approved the application.

Tom stated that the BZA met on September 26, 2017 to rule on a Variance Request for 1043 Carryback, which they denied. This is a lot in Beechwood Trails near the swimming pool. They used the edge of pavement to measure the setback.

Tom presented a Cemetery Lot Deed for Sylvia M. Page, Lot number B, Section 009 and a Cemetery Lot Deed for Winston F. Page, Lot number A, Section 009 to be signed by the trustees. Both lots were 30 years residents and they paid the \$500.00 (each) opening and closing fee for future use.

Tom reviewed a notice from the Licking County Planning Commission concerning public hearings on proposed text amendment to the Licking County Subdivision Regulations and Licking County Subdivision Improvement Regulations to be held on October 23, 2017.

Tom presented the Storm Water MS4 Annual Discharge Fee Preliminary Notice. The township will need to pay a \$125.00 fee by January 30, 2018 once an invoice has been received.

-Ray Foor moved to allow the Zoning Inspector and Assistant Zoning Inspector to attend the Ohio Township Zoning Inspectors meeting with a \$30.00 (each) registration fee. Mark Van Buren seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Road Report – Ben Patterson, Road Superintendent

The fiscal officer presented County Resolution 92-46 which stated that the Licking County Commissioners denied the establishment of Terrier Court (TR1168) and Moor Lane (TR1169) in Scotland Ridge Subdivision, Phase I in Harrison Township.

Ben presented an estimate from Willis Engineering to perform the topo survey and base map for the township sanitary sewer project at a cost of \$1,250.00.

Ben presented an estimate from Nolan E. Wamsley for a maximum of three days to draft the plans for this sanitary sewer project at a cost of \$720.00.

Both of these contractors were chosen by Leo Conkel who was approved at the September 19, 2017 special meeting. Once these services are preformed the township can competitively bid the project.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve \$1,250.00 to Willis Engineering and Surveying to perform the topo survey and base map for the Township Sanitary Sewer Project. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve \$720.00 to Nolan E. Wamsley to draft the plans for the Township Sanitary Sewer Project. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Trustee Van Buren reported that the Licking County Engineer cannot perform engineering services for the Creek Road Retaining Wall Project. The Engineer will check with a firm that the township can hire. Discussion was had concerning the 1000' length that might be needed. Trustee Van Buren reported on the storm water flooding on River Forest. The only solution is to pursue a ditch petition or for the residents to file a civil suit against the City of Pataskala. A comment was made that residents should be invited to an informational meeting about a ditch petition.

Ben announced that the bids are in for the FY2018 Winter Fill Road Salt Contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation, Contract 018(18). Licking County's bid was awarded to Cargill for \$48.73 per ton.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve \$18,000.00 to Cargill for the FY2018 Winter Fill Road Salt Contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation, Contract #018(18) at a price of \$48.73 per ton. The township has the option to order 10% over the 300 tons ordered. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Resolution 2015 10 05 01, with Union Township, concerning a liquid emulsion storage tank will expire on October 5, 2017.

-Mark Van Buren moved to adopt Resolution 2017 10 02 03 which states: The Board of Union Township Trustees agrees to make available a liquid emulsion storage tank to The Board of Harrison Township Trustees. Harrison Township is authorized, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §5549.02(B). Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

Ben presented an estimate from Atech for inspection and replacement of fire extinguishers.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve \$2,000.00 for inspection and replacement of fire extinguishers as needed. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Ben stated that the road department did not need new safety boots but would like to have new safety jackets for the winter.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve up to \$400.00 for the Road Department to purchase three new safety jackets for winter. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

From the floor – Larry Kretzmann, SWLCW&SD

Mr. Kretzmann stated the district has received over one million dollars in tap fees. The new water plant will save \$75,000 per year by not using salt. Discussion of ongoing projects took place.

West Licking Fire District

Trustee Van Buren reported that the Arc Building is moving forward and that the district received the site bids for the Morse Road location.

The Construction Notice for East Broad – Kirk 138 kV Transmission Line Extension Project by AEP Transmission was reviewed.

-Eric Smith moved to renew Vickie Noble’s bond as Assistant Zoning Inspector. Mark Van Buren seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

-Mark Van Buren moved to accept the two year renewal from Consumers Life which will renew on January 1, 2018 with no change in premium rates. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

The Fiscal Officer passed out a Medicare Coverage Disclosure Notice to all employees with Health Insurance.

The Fiscal Officer read various pieces of correspondence and passed out Financial Reports for the trustees to review.

Being no further business, Chairman Eric Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Minutes are unofficial until approved by the trustees.

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn I. Elder
Harrison Township Fiscal Officer

The following resolutions are a part of the October 2, 2017 minutes:

Resolution 2017 10 02 01

Resolution 2017 10 02 02

Resolution 2017 10 02 03