

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on September 8, 2015 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, Zoning Secretary
Guest	Tim Williams
Guest	Alex Coe
Guest	Vicki and Darren Coe

Zoning Report - Tom Frederick, Zoning Inspector

September fee and permit total was \$4,106.73.

Tom reviewed nuisance properties. Tom started with 61 Allen Ave., Pataskala. Property owner, Mr. Tim Williams was in attendance and stated that the property would be mowed by September 15th. The regular person that mows had been on vacation. The trustees took no action on this property.

The second nuisance property was Dalgarn's Nursery, 6490 Columbus Road.

Tom presented an estimate from Quality Yard and Home Maintenance for cost to mow 61 Allen Ave for \$325.00 and 6490 Columbus Road for \$175.00.

-Mark Van Buren moved to adopt Resolution 2015 09 08 01 which states: RESOLUTION TO DECLARE AND ABATE NUISANCE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 505.87. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve the following:

- 1. Minutes of the August 18, 2015 special meeting**
- 2. Minutes of both of the August 18, 2015 Public Hearings**
- 3. Payroll and bills, warrants 14155 through 14208**
- 4. DD 69, DD70, DD71 and V26**

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

Tom reported that the Final Plat of Ellington Village Section3, Part 2 was Conditionally

Approved by the Licking County Planning Commission. Tom ask for an additional walking path and questioned the retention area. There was no discussion at the meeting concerning his comments.

Tom reported that he has a draft copy of architectural standards and will check with an architect concerning fees involved to continue.

Tom presented an estimate from Quality Yard and Home Maintenance to mulch, edge out, spray weeds and prune trees to maintain the mound as you enter the township complex. The estimated cost was \$3,320.00.

Tom has a resident that would like to reserve a shelter house and set up a petting zoo with pony rides. The trustees stated that they would need to fill out a Grounds Usage Agreement as well as a Indemnification Agreement with proof of insurance (1 million dollar coverage).

Road Report - Ben Patterson

The 2004 Sterling L7500 truck sold on GovDeals for \$47,060.00.

-Mark Van Buren moved to approve the commission payment to GovDeals for selling the 2004 Sterling Truck in the amount of \$3,529.50. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Ben reported that Union Township has purchased a holding tank and is using the same product material used in the Dura-Patcher. Ben will find out if our township can pick up material at their location and pay Asphalt Materials directly.

A request from Century Link for a permit was for a county road instead of a township road.

-Mark Van Buren moved to amend PO50051, payable to Pearce Company, LLC from \$65,000.00 to \$78,000.00. Adding \$13,000.00 due to extra berming going on in the township. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Ben reported that the estimate for the tree trimming project in the road right of ways from Asplundh Tree Trimming was \$207,834.00. Trustee Foor stated that the township should cut any dead ash trees because of the liability. The trustees discussed maybe choosing one smaller project or road to complete at a time.

Ben reported that property of Alvaro Cruz residing at 6981 Beecher Road continues to be an issue with the road ditch. The County Prosecutor will mail a letter.

Ben stated that the road department is in need of part time help.

-Mark Van Buren moved to run an advertisement in the Columbus Dispatch and The Advocate requesting resumes for a part time road worker. Included in ad. Must have a Class B CDL. Compensation based on experience. Duties include snowplow operator plus. Applications can be obtained at www.harrisontownship.net and questions can be directed to Ben Patterson, Road Superintendent at 740-927-8280. Send resume and application to Carolyn

Elder, Harrison Township Fiscal Officer at 3886 Outville Road, Granville, Ohio 43023 by the September 29, 2015 deadline. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Ben was contacted by a resident on Cherokee Trail requesting permission to build a wall support in their front yard along the road. The trustees responded that nothing should be placed in the road right of way.

From the floor - Alex Coe

Alex Coe belongs to Boy Scout Troop 141 and is looking for a Eagle Scout Project to complete. He inquired if the trustees have or know of any space that could be used by teenagers in the Village of Kirkersville. He is interested in making an area for skateboarding. Trustee Van Buren responded that the township has no property in Kirkersville but there is space at the township complex. Trustee Van Buren stated that he would like to see a basketball pad and hoop in the playground area. The township could furnish the concrete and gravel for the project.

Trustee Van Buren reviewed drainage issues at the Welsh property off of Ashcraft Drive. Trustee Van Buren called the City of Pataskala concerning the issue of vacating Apple Blossom Road. Apple Blossom Road will be used as an emergency exit so the trustees do not wish to spend money trying to vacate the road.

The current BWC claim was reviewed.

The fiscal officer shared a letter from the Licking County Convention and Visitors Bureau about the 2016 Greater Licking County Travel Magazine.

-Ray Foor moved to approve renewing the township health insurance with Anthem at a premium of \$6,426.02 monthly (December 1, 2015 renewal date). Increase of 5.9%. The motion further states that the renewal date will be changed from December 1, 2016 to October 1, 2016 on the recommendation from Jim Organ, One Source Advisors. Mark Van Buren seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

The fiscal officer reported that the Licking County Auditor has notified the township that the budget amount of Local Government Funds for 2016 is \$16,759.89.

-Mark Van Buren moved to adopt Resolution 2015 09 08 02 which states: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

-Mark Van Buren moved to accept the \$1,000.00 (paid June 1, 2015) from Homewood Corporation for their zoning amendment application (total expenses were \$1,025.14). The

township also held hearings on the same date which would have incurred expenses. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

The Fiscal Officer read various pieces of correspondence and passed out Financial Reports for the trustees to review. The trustees reviewed and signed the July and August bank statements.

Being no further business, Chairman Eric Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes are unofficial until approved by the trustees.

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn I. Elder
Harrison Township Fiscal Officer

Resolution 2015 09 08 01 and Resolution 2015 09 08 02 are a part of the September 8, 2015 minutes.