

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 4, 2015

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on May 4, 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, 4774 Outville Road
Guest	Andrew King
Guest	Bob Kniffin, 110 Penrod Ave.
Guest	Chris Remmer
Guest	Larry Kretzmann, SWLCW&SD
Guest	Alvaro and Sonia Cruze
Guest	Gordon Postle

From the floor - Andrew King

Mr. King introduced himself and is running for the office of the Licking County Prosecutor.

From the floor - Chris Remmer

Mr. Remmer works for the Licking County Prosecutor and inquired if the township has any issues or concerns. He is considering running for the office of the Licking County Prosecutor.

From the floor - Bob Kniffin

Mr. Kniffin is a resident of Penrod Avenue. He was inquiring about the Licking County Sheriff's office issuing parking tickets to those who park on the street. He wanted to know if this will continue to happen. He inquired if a one day permit could be obtained. Trustee Van Buren stated that a resident had called him and inquired about this issue. Trustee Van Buren stated that the Board has declared no parking on the streets. Trustee Smith stated that no permit could be issued and that Sergeant Day has stated that new staff is responding to complaints. Trustee Van Buren will check with the Prosecutor about additional options.

From the floor - Alvaro and Sonia Cruz

Mr. Cruz stated that he had moved the two pillars inside the gate but did not move the mailbox. He stated that the mailbox looks mean but is fake stone and is not solid concrete. He spoke about his gravel driveway and Trustee Smith responded that the gravel in the road ditch needs

to be removed or the township will remove it. The mailbox is in the township's right-of-way at the edge of the traveled portion of the road pavement at 6981 Beecher Road, Pataskala. The trustees are concerned that the position of the stone column is a danger and potential obstruction to the traveling public and for the township's snow plow. Trustee Van Buren stated that he would go and look at the property.

From the floor - Larry Kretzmann, SWLCW&SD

Mr. Kretzmann stated that the well head protection plan was basically for Etna Township. He added that Harrison Township could sign on the district's plan and be covered. Jersey Township has annexation concerns. The Deagle Fannin annexation was discussed and Tom stated that 233 houses were proposed in that PUD. Trustee Foor ask about the arbitrator and what the time line might be. Mr. Kretzmann stated that 3 arbitrators, 3 attorneys and 3 judges are needed.

From the floor - Gordon Postle

Mr. Postle attended the meeting to observe.

**-Mark Van Buren moved to approve the following:**

- 1. minutes of the April 20, 2015 special meeting**
- 2. mid month payroll, payroll and bills, warrants 13928 through 13968**
- 3. V21, DD58 and DD59**

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

Zoning Report - Tom Frederick, Zoning Inspector

April permit and fee total was \$1,588.64.

The Smyers Cemetery Deed was signed and notarized.

**-Mark Van Buren moved to adopt Resolution 2015 05 04 01 which states: The York Road Cemetery Rules and Regulations, Section 5 will be updated. It currently reads:**

**5. Grave Marker**

**Monuments may be placed on fully paid for plots. Monuments in certain designated areas must be flush with the surface of the ground. Up-right monuments are permitted in all other sections. Foot markers and military markers must be flush mounted. The Township is not responsible for any damage to monuments. Current residents, former 20-year residents and business owners in Harrison Township are eligible to purchase graves at the Resident Fee.**

**With updates it will read:**

**5. Grave Marker**

**Monuments may be placed on fully paid for plots. Up-right monuments are permitted with a maximum height of 36 inches. Foot markers and military markers must be flush mounted. The Township is not responsible for any damage to monuments. Current residents, former 20-year residents and business owners in Harrison Township are eligible to purchase graves at the Resident Fee.**

**Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.**

Trustee Foor brought up the issue of conditional use. Trustee Smith had a list of items that he would like to be changed to conditional use.

Under Article 15.6, Permitted Use B-1

- 6.) Laundromat
- 8.) Motor Vehicle Sales
- 9.) Motels/Hotels
- 12.) Public Storage Facility

Article 15.1

	NB	LB	GB
Dry Cleaning	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	P
Grocery Stores	C	<u>C</u>	P
Laundromat	C	<u>C</u>	P
Motor Vehicle	NA	<u>C</u>	P

Suggested changes are underlined.

Tom Frederick reported that the Home Q Servicing property at 6669 Outville Road needs to be boarded up before school is out. There is no contact name or address for the property owners, so any actions would have to be advertised in the newspaper as a legal notice.

Trustee Foor stated that Fred Townsend was upset about not being able to have advertising flags for their business. Mr. Townsend thought it should be on a case by case determination. Mr. Townsend was also concerned about Elite Towing and if anything could be done.

Road Report - Presented by Chairman Eric Smith in Ben Patterson's absence.

**-Ray Foor moved to adopt Resolution 2015 05 02 02 which states: AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN ODOT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.**

The Chairman reported that 3 contractors have requested bid packets for the resurfacing project. AEP is working on repairing damaged roads in the township.

Licking County Commissioners Resolution 80.43 states that Cherokee Trails SW (TR-612) in Harrison Township shall be maintained by the Harrison Township Trustees.

Licking County Commissioners Resolution 79-486 states that a Transportation Improvement District with appointed District Board of Trustees in Licking County .

At the last regular meeting Megan Roschek with OTARMA quoted the township annual

premium insurance quote at \$12,858.00. Sharon Doughty with The Ohio Plan quoted the annual renewal cost at \$14,360.00. Trustee Van Buren is concerned about changing companies and having lawsuits from prior years covered.

**-Mark Van Buren moved to renew the township's insurance with The Ohio Plan and pay the 2015-2016 premium of \$14,360.00. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.**

**-Mark Van Buren moved to transfer \$5,000.00 from the checking account to the HRA account to cover expenses for Trustee Ray Foor (added to the Anthem insurance policy). Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Smith YES, Van Buren YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.**

The Fiscal Officer presented a letter from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control giving the trustees the opportunity to request a hearing for Luck of the Irish Inc. No action was taken.

The Fiscal Officer reported that the 2.0 mill Road & Bridge levy based upon 2014 valuated totals brings in an estimated \$297,967 per year. This levy currently costs the owner of a \$100,000 home \$47.38. If the trustees would decide to place a replacement levy on the ballot based upon the 2014 valuation it would bring in an estimated \$387,012 (an annual increase of \$89,0454). This replacement levy would cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$70 per year (an annual increase of \$22.32 per \$100,000 valuation). The trustees decided to proceed with a renewal levy and not have an increase in taxes.

A letter from Time Warner Cable was reviewed. It stated that Time Warner and Comcast has terminated their agreements and Time Warner Cable will continue as the operator of the cable system in our community.

The Fiscal Officer ask for a meeting of the Harrison Township Records Commission be called in order to proceed with disposal of records.

**-Eric Smith moved to hold a Harrison Township Records Commission meeting on June 16, 2015 at 8:45 a.m. 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 bank statements. The trustees reviewed and signed the Statement of Pooled Securities as of March 31, 2015.

Being no further business, Chairman Eric Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Minutes are unofficial until approved by the trustees.

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn I. Elder  
Harrison Township Fiscal Officer

Resolution 2015 05 04 01 and Resolution 2015 05 04 02 are a part of the May 4, 2015 minutes.