

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 1, 2022

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on August 1, 2022 at the Township Hall. The Chairman, Mark Van Buren, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. 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	Mark Van Buren
Trustee	Eric Smith
Trustee	Ray Foor
Fiscal Officer	Carolyn Elder
Zoning Inspector	Valerie Hans
Road Superintendent	Ben Patterson
Guest	Kim & James Reichgott, 4180 Outville Rd.
Guest	Deb Moore, 35 Gristmill Court
Guest	Cristy Meade, 245 Hillview Rd., Etna

From the floor – James & Kim Reichgott, 4180 Outville Road

Mr. Reichgott stated that he filed a variance and choose to build the walkway/hallway. He would like to use the deed restriction to have his mother in law suit in a detached garage. The township has no jurisdiction over deed restrictions. Chairman Van Buren explained that he can file a variance and pay the \$500.00 fee. The Zoning Inspector stated that the Licking County Prosecutor has advised the township to not talk about this violation since the Reichgott family has secured legal counsel.

From the floor – Christy Mead

Ms. Mead introduced herself as the president of the West Licking Historical Society. She explained that the Ohio History Connection holds “Ohio Open Doors” for museums like the Depot. The group would like to open the doors of the Harrison Township Depot on September 17, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. She also stated that the group has a website.

From the floor – Deb Moore, SWL School Board Member

Ms. Moore stated that she was in attendance to answer any questions. Chairman Van Buren inquired about tearing down the middle school. She answered yes, it will be torn down. She went on to review projects in the school district.

Road Report – Ben Patterson, Road Superintendent

Ben reminded the trustees that the pre-bid meeting for the Refugee Road Sheet Pile Wall Project will be Wednesday, August 3rd at 10:00 a.m.

The Shelly Company will begin the resurfacing project on August 2nd.

Ben reported that he is waiting on supplies for the Ashcraft culvert.
Ben wanted to set a time to interview applicants for the road worker position.

-Eric Smith moved to re-advertise the August 16, 2022, 9:00 a.m. special meeting as follows.

Purpose of the meeting:

- 1. To open, discuss and act upon bids for the Refugee Road Sheet Pile Wall Project.**
- 2. Interview potential road worker applicants, discuss road worker position and hire new employee if applicable.**
- 3. Approve minutes and bills.**

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

Zoning Report – Valerie Hans, Zoning Inspector

- The Zoning Inspector, Valerie Hans reported on the following items.
- The July zoning permit and fee total was \$15,780.10.
- Valerie presented a quote from Micro in the amount of \$4,000.00 to preform nuisance cleanup at 110 Ford Ave., Pataskala, parcel #025-076506-00.000. She recommended the trustees adopt the second nuisance resolution.

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2022 08 01 01 which states: The said Board of Trustees found and determined that the maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and debris upon the real property of 110 Ford Ave., S.W., Pataskala, Harrison Township, Licking County, Ohio, Parcel Number 025-076506-00.000, constitutes a nuisance as defined, set forth, and provided under R.C. 505.87. The resolution further authorizes a purchase order to Micro Construction LLC in the amount of \$4,000.00 to clean up the nuisance property. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

The Chairman Mark Van Buren stopped the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. to start the Public Hearing for the adoption of the Harrison Township Comprehensive Plan.

The Chairman Mark Van Buren returned from the public hearing back into regular meeting session at 6:25 p.m. The regular meeting continues. Note: Resolution 2022 08 01 02 was adopted during the public hearing.

Zoning Report – Valerie Hans, Zoning Inspector

- Zoning Report continues.
- Edward Stile properties – The court is running behind. Therefore, the hearing will be October 10th or the 17th.
- 16 Jeremey Court – Violation resolved.
- 139 Ford Ave. – JMV complaint.

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2022 08 01 03 which states: RESOLUTION TO REMOVE JUNK MOTOR VEHICLE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 505.871. 139 Ford Ave., Pataskala, Drennan property. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

- Zoning improvements without a permit were reported as follows:
 - 72 Ohio Ave. – Jones – Parcel # 025-076938-00.000 Swimming Pool lot under 1 acre
 - 81 Ohio Ave. – Rose – Parcel # 025-078120-00.000 Swimming Pool lot under 1 acre
 - 16 Hillgail Rd. – Ratliff – Parcel # 025-074634-00.000 Swimming Pool lot under 1 acre
- Pataskala Corporate Park JEDD Expansion.
The Board of Trustees received a request from the City of Pataskala to expand the existing JEDD. A public hearing must be held to consider public input.

-Ray Foor moved to hold a public hearing. Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of Ohio Revised Code (R.C.) Sections 715.72 through 715.81, that the Harrison Township Board of Trustees, Licking County, Ohio will hold a public hearing on September 6, 2022, at 6:30 pm at the Harrison Township Hall located at 6750 Outville Road, Pataskala, Ohio. The purpose of the public hearing will be to hear public comment on amendment and expansion of the Joint Economic Development District with the City of Newark and the City of Pataskala, Licking County, Ohio, which district is designated Pataskala Corporate Park Joint Economic Development District. The proposed contract amendment for said Joint Economic Development District with exhibits thereto, and all other documentation required by law, are available to the public at the office of the Harrison Township Fiscal Officer, 6750 Outville Road, Pataskala, Ohio, during normal business hours in accordance with R.C. 715.75. The public hearing shall be for the further purpose of allowing public comment and recommendation on the second amendment to the contract creating the district expansion in accordance with the provisions of R.C. 715.761. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

- Valerie requested and received assistance from the Licking County Health Department on the following property complaints this month.
 - 7186 Columbus Rd. - Old tires piled up on the west and north sides of the building. Health Department contacted property owner/occupant to remove tires.
 - 110 Ford Ave. - Old tires on the south side of the property. Health Department states that they can only enforce if there are 10 or more tires.

-Eric Smith moved to instruct the Zoning Inspector, Valerie Hans to start the process to rezone York Farms, Parcel #025-067920-00.003, Kevin G. Bennington Et Al Trustees back to Agriculture Zoning. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

- Valerie stated that it would cost \$10,000.00 to have Jim Lenner re-work the PUD zoning. Trustee Van Buren stated that he would like an attorney to go over that section.
- Harassment Training was conducted for the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Van Buren reported on activities of the West Licking Fire District. Hebron will be joining the district. The bid for the Taylor Road fire station came in at 6.1 million.

The Zoning Inspector added that there are two trailers on one property at 162 Ohio Ave. and the second trailer needs to be removed.

-Eric Smith moved to approve the following:

- 1. The minutes of the July 5, 2022 regular meeting.**
- 2. The minutes of the July 26, 2022 public hearing.**
- 3. Payment advice 212-2022 through 234-2022.**
- 4. Warrants 18380 through 18410.**
- 5. The July Bank Reconciliation.**

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

-Ray Foor moved to adopt Resolution 2022 08 01 04 which states: The Board of Harrison Township Trustees hereby levies an assessment against each parcel in the Outville Lighting District in the amount of \$36.00, to be paid in semiannual installments. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

-Ray Foor moved to adopt Resolution 2022 08 01 05 which states: The Board of Harrison Township Trustees hereby levies an assessment against each parcel in the Subdivision of Indian Hills Lighting District in the amount of \$44.00, to be paid in semiannual installments. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

-Ray Foor moved to adopt Resolution 2022 08 01 06 which states: The Board of Harrison Township Trustees hereby levies an assessment against each parcel in the Harrison Meadows Subdivision Lighting District in the amount of \$100.00, to be paid in semiannual installments. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

The Fiscal Officer read various pieces of correspondence and passed out Financial Reports for the trustees to review. The July Bank Reconciliation was signed.

Being no further business, Chairman Mark Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 7:30 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 August 1, 2022 minutes.

RESOLUTION 2022 08 01 01

RESOLUTION 2022 08 01 03

RESOLUTION 2022 08 01 04

RESOLUTION 2022 08 01 05

RESOLUTION 2022 08 01 06

Note: Resolution 2022 08 01 02 was adopted during the August 1, 2022 public hearing.