

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
 LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
 MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 2025

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on February 3, 2025 at the Township Hall. The Chairman, Mark Van Buren, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and lead 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	Pete Sigman
Guest	Jason Dagger, RWE Clean Energy, LLC
Guest	Harold Martin, 5127 Palmer Road
Guest	Mike Martin, 5130 Palmer Road
Guest	Peter and Jean Cea, 4356 Gale Road
Guest	Kristy Hawthorne, L.C. Soil & Water
Guest	Connor Roth, RWE Clean Energy, LLC
Guest	Aubrey Ward, RWE Clean Energy, LLC
Guest	Jen Lynch, RWE Clean Energy, LLC
Guest	Lilly Swearington, OSU Student

From the floor – Jason Dagger, Senior Director, RWE Clean Energy, LLC
 RWE Clean Energy, LLC took over the Union Ridge Solar Project in October 2024 on Watkins Road. Mobilization will begin on February 17th. The company has been doing business in the United States since 2004. They are the third largest renewable energy company. Jason Dagger introduced his associates Aubrey Ward, Jen Lynch and Connor Roth, Utility-Scale Development Manager is the lead on this project. Trustee Van Buren inquired if they will complete all of the buffering that was agreed on with the prior company. RWE stated that they are committed to the project and will be a good neighbor. A game fence will be used along Watkins Road.

From the floor – Kristy Hawthorne, Licking County Soil & Water
 Kristy stated that she will work with RWE on flood plans and permits. She will be involved with the project.

Road Report – Pete Sigman, Road Superintendent
 Pete reported that the townships one year trial with Traffic Logix is up.

1 Year Cloud Access for Radar Signs	\$1,800.00
2 Year Cloud Access for Radar Signs	\$3,400.00

3 Year Cloud Access for Radar Signs	\$4,200.00
7 Year Cloud Access for Radar Signs	\$8,600.00

-Eric Smith moved to approve a purchase order to Traffic Logix Corporation for \$4,200.00 to have cloud access for the road radar signs with a three year renewal. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Pete presented information regarding the following companies to purchase a truck from his road report.

Peterbilt 548, Ohio Peterbilt

The 548 is a newer model in the Peterbilt lineup and was engineered with upfit in mind, the frame protrudes past the hood for a solid plow mounting system. The Peterbilt was priced with a 350 hp Paccar engine that utilizes a lighter graphite block offering more payload and is said to be more efficient, all other trucks were priced with a 350 Cummins (steel block). Peterbilt offers what no other manufacturer offers in a “t” handle shifter that is mounted beside the driver as opposed to on the dash. From an operator’s standpoint there is nothing about the 548 Peterbilt I didn’t like, the seat and seating position were the most comfortable I experienced, visibility was exceptional for a hooded truck. Peterbilt adds extra insulation to the cab for sound deadening and thermal efficiencies. Peterbilt does not offer a heated windshield, when questioned the salesman stated the HVAC system is far superior to competitors and heated windshield is unnecessary. The Peterbilt 548 will be available in May/June. **\$132,187.55**
Note; (frame length incorrect in quote, salesman did not believe there would be a price difference based on 1’ of frame).

International HV 507 SFA, Rush Truck Center

The International HV 507 is the updated version of the longtime favorite 7400. International has built a truck with upfit in mind, the truck is very well built. International offers a twist style shifter mounted on the steering column to the right side of the steering wheel, not a deal breaker but a definite learning curve. The steering wheel positioning and range of motion was the best I experienced. Visibility is less than the Peterbilt and freightliner but better than the 7400 it replaced and superior to the Western Star. Annoyances: Traditionally international cab insulation is not great leading to a very noisy cab. I asked about upgrading the driver’s seat to an air seat with more adjustability, international will not allow the dealer to upgrade just the driver’s seat, the passenger seat also must be upgraded at a cost of an additional \$800 totaling the upgrade to \$1600. (Peterbilt cost of upgrade \$264) The international will be available in May **\$104,772.53**

Westernstar 47x, Fyda Freightliner Zanesville

The 47x is a very nice higher end truck, the Western Star feels like it sits too high I feel visibility would be an issue. Western Star offers the same column mounted shift as International. With a price tag higher than Peterbilt, I don’t see the Western Star a contender. Available July/August time frame. **\$138,664**

Freightliner M2, Fyda Freightliner Zanesville

The new M2 is a massive upgrade over the previous version. The interior felt nice, visibility is probably the best of the group. The freightliners frame is short offering little for plow mount an issue we are already having with our current m2. The range of motion in the steering column is less than impressive. Freightliner only offered a pushbutton transmission. Priced higher than the international I don't see the M2 an option. Available July **\$112,635**

-Eric Smith moved to use ODOT pricing to purchase a new truck and to upfit the truck. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

-Eric Smith moved to purchase a truck International HV 507 SFA from Rush Truck Center for \$104,772.53. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Pete shared information to unfit the truck along with his opinions.

Henderson Products-Bucyrus Ohio

Henderson offers a complete build at National Purchasing Partners contract price, build sheet attached. The price is a complete build with all needed hydraulics lights controls plows and spinner pre-wet system that is integrated in the bed and control system. Henderson specializes in snow and ice removal builds and assures me when we face an issue they will know what the problem is based on our description and have parts in stock.

Things I added to a standard build; electric joystick plow controls, dump body height sensor, hydraulic lines to run a broom. CPS spreader controls.

If we issue a PO soon build date is estimated in November **\$115,117.00**. Price may vary a little depending on chassis we choose (couple hundred not thousands). Henderson offers money back for upfront payments. Yet to receive the offer in writing, Jim salesman with Henderson told me we would receive 5% off the price if we pay before the build date.

Ace Zanesville Ohio

Ace will build a truck spec'd very similar to our freightliner, quote puts the pre-wet system between the cab and bed like the county runs. The Ace quote may vary depending on chassis we choose, Josh is still waiting on a quote from the hydraulics company which also may change the quote. Running this style pre-wet system will change the frame length of the chassis, I don't believe the chassis price will change much if at all when I share the upfit specs with the manufacturer. Freightliner build, Ben purchased the Plow from Gledhill direct to obtain source well pricing. Then paid ace to install. Gledhill is not set up with source well yet this year, I was given a verbal quote of \$15,000- \$17,000 for the plow. I was told it would be the lower end of that closer to \$15,000. Ace will also install Joystick plow controls and CPS spreader controls with pre-wet system integrated.

Total Ace; **\$107,575.00** (assuming \$15,000 plow price) hydraulics and chassis may alter the quote some I don't anticipate by much at all.

-Eric Smith moved to upfit the truck with a system from Henderson for up to \$120,000.00. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Discussion will take place at the next meeting before purchase orders are issued.
Pete reviewed a price list for 2025 from Martin Trucking for stone material.
Pete reviewed the 2025 Culvert Report.

-Eric Smith moved to approve the Culvert Report presented by the Road Superintendent. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

-Eric Smith moved to approve the 2024 Township Highway System Mileage Certification. Harrison Township is responsible for 49.612 miles of road. The Certification was signed and will be returned to the Licking County Engineer. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

-Eric Smith moved to approve up to \$150.00 each for the three full time road department employees to purchase safety work boots. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Pete reviewed the condition and measurements for Kellers Road with the trustees.

Zoning Report – Valerie Hans, Zoning Inspector

- The Zoning Inspector reviewed the following items.
- The January zoning permit and fee total was \$1,677.50.
- Ed Stiles – Judge Marcelain scheduled a status conference for 3/19/25.
- 4765 National Road, L & M Drywall – They have made an offer to the township. The trustees were not interested in a settlement, they want the parking lot to be paved according to the zoning resolution.
- 28 Donau Road, Kretzmann – the LC Prosecutor is notifying of filing legal action.
- DG Market has resubmitted for their fourth round of Architectural Review.

-Eric Smith moved to approve the township opening an Amazon Business Prime account. There will be no cost to the township because the township is a member of the Ohio Township Association. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Trustee Smith attended the first Harrison Township–City of Reynoldsburg Joint Economic Development District Board Meeting. The JEDD Board will need approximately \$10,000 to get started.

Joe Garrett with Trebel was unable to attend the meeting. Trebel would like the township to sign an addendum to Energy Consulting and Management Agreement, Limited Agency Authority.

-Eric Smith moved to sign the Addendum to Energy Consulting and Management Agreement, Limited Agency Authority with Trebel. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

-Eric Smith moved to approve the following:

- 1. The minutes of the January 6, 2025 regular/organizational meeting.**
- 2. The minutes of the January 6, 2025 public hearing meeting.**
- 3. Payment advice 7-2025 through 61-2025.**
- 4. Warrants 19284 through 19304.**
- 5. The January Bank Reconciliation.**

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

-Eric Smith moved to approve supplemental revenue reported on the Townships Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources from the Licking County Auditor.

**General Fund \$7,966.00
Road & Bridge Fund \$31,115.00**

These funds are additional property taxes reported by the Licking County Auditor.

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

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2025 02 03 01 which states: HARRISON TOWNSHIP ANNUAL PERMANENT APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

The trustees reviewed all employee driver abstracts.

The fiscal officer passed out Financial Reports for the trustees to review.

Being no further business, the Chairman Mark Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Minutes are unofficial until approved by the trustees.

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn I. Elder
Harrison Township Fiscal Officer

Resolution 2025 02 03 01 is a part of the February 3, 2025 minutes.