

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

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on March 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
Guest	Sid Smyers, 152 Jones Ave.
Guest	Peter & Jean Cea, 4356 Gale Road
Guest	Mike Eafrait, 46 Nashua Court SW

From the floor – Mike Eafrait

Mr. Eafrait has been notified by the Zoning Inspector of nuisance and junk motor vehicle violations. He was in attendance to ask for additional time to clean up due to the weather. The trustees agreed that Mr. Eafrait could have an additional two weeks for cleanup of the property.

Road Report – Pete Sigman, Road Superintendent was unable to attend the meeting.

Zoning Report – Valerie Hans, Zoning Inspector

- The Zoning Inspector reported on the following items.
- The February zoning permit and fee total was \$1,623.00.
- Edward Stiles parcels. Judge Marcelain scheduled a status conference for 3/19/25 at 1:30 p.m.
- L & M Drywall – SWLCW&SD currently owns the property. Trustee Van Buren would like to meet with the new owners concerning the violation.
- 28 Donau Road – Kretzmann – The Licking County Prosecutor is filing legal action.
- 6982 Beecher Road – Cruz – Property owner is constructing a room addition without a permit. Zoning Inspector sent certified violation letter and notified Licking County Building Code.
- 150 Madison Street – Conn – Will request cleanup quotes during the month of March.
- 40 Cherokee Trail – Various Investing Company – First nuisance violation letter sent and posted to the property. Requested first nuisance resolution.

**-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2025 03 03 01 which states: RESOLUTION TO DECLARE AND ABATE NUISANCE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 505.87, Various Investing Co., 40 Cherokee Trail, Granville, Ohio 43023. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.**

- Lions Park - In 2018, the SWL Youth Football built a building at the north end of the Lion's Club park located at 8880 Refugee Road. They originally received a zoning permit; however, they never completed the building. Furthermore, they did not file plans, obtain building permits or inspections or an occupancy permit. The new volunteers at the SWL Youth Football are trying to bring this building into compliance so that it is safe and can be used by the organization. They will be issued a new zoning permit.
- 40 Cherokee Trail – Various Investing Company – First junk motor vehicle violation letter sent and posted to the property. Requested first resolution.

**-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2025 03 03 02 which states: RESOLUTION TO REMOVE JUNK MOTOR VEHICLE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 505.871, Various Investing Company, 40 Cherokee Trail, Granville, Ohio 43032. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.**

- DG Market - Fourth architectural review received a favorable recommendation and was approved.
- The Zoning Commission held a public hearing on the Wingle rezoning on 2/4/25, there were no objections to this rezoning. The rezoning was recommended for approval and forwarded to the trustees at this meeting.

Valerie Hans, Zoning Inspector, presented Harassment Training to the Board of Trustees.

**-Eric Smith moved to hold a Public Hearing on March 24, 2025 at 6:30 at the Harrison Township Hall located at 6750 Outville Road, Pataskala, Ohio 43062. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider a Zoning Amendment Application submitted by Don Wingle. The applicant is requesting to rezone the 28.66+/- acres at 3544 and 3556 Gale Road SW, Granville, Ohio 43023 from R-70 and AG to AG. A copy of the application with all pertinent information will be posted at the Township Hall.**

**The motion further states that a special meeting will be held on March 24, 2025 at the Harrison Township Hall. The special meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and if needed continue on after the adjournment of the public hearing. The purpose of the special meeting will be to discuss and/or act on the following:**

- 1. Purchase of Road Department trucks.**
- 2. Harrison Township – Reynoldsburg JEDD No. 1 and TIF Funds.**
- 3. Nuisance and Junk Motor Vehicle Violations.**
- 4. Revision of the Township Zoning Fee Schedule.**
- 5. Approve Minutes and Warrants.**

**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 03 03 03 which states: HARRISON TOWNSHIP YORK STREET CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS RESOLUTION. Ray Foor seconded the motion. The name of the Township's Cemetery is York Street Cemetery not York Road Cemetery. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.**

**-Eric Smith moved to approve the following:**

- 1. The minutes of the February 3, 2025 regular meeting.**
- 2. Payment advice #63-2025 through #106-2025.**
- 3. Warrants 19305 through 19325.**
- 4. The February Bank Reconciliation.**

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

A conversation was held concerning seed money for the newly formed JEDD Board. The township needs to seek legal advice before moving forward. The trustees will check and see if legal counsel can attend the 3/24/25 special meeting or the 4/7/25 regular meeting.

Joe Garrett with Trebel was unable to attend the meeting. He recommended that the trustees sign an Addendum to the Energy Consulting and Management Agreement Limited Agency Authority. Residents on gas aggregation are paying more than Columbia Gas at this time. Archer will charge two cents less than Columbia Gas if the addendum is signed.

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

A letter from Bricker Graydon concerning Union Ridge Solar, LLC, Ohio Power Siting Board Case No 20-1757-EL-BGN was reviewed. It covered a complaint resolution plan.

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

Being no further business, Chairman Mark Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 7:15 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 March 3, 2025 regular meeting minutes.  
Resolution 2025 03 03 01, Resolution 2025 03 03 02 & Resolution 2025 03 03 03