

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JUNE 22, 2021

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on June 22, 2021 at the Township Hall. The Chairman, Mark Van Buren, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.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.

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| Trustee | Mark Van Buren |
| Trustee | Eric Smith |
| Trustee | Ray Foor |
| Fiscal Officer | Carolyn Elder |
| Zoning Inspector | Valerie Hans |
| Road Superintendent | Ben Patterson |
| Guest | Vickie Noble |
| Guest | Joe Garrett, Trebel |
| Guest | Tom Frederick |

Road Department Report – Ben Patterson, Road Superintendent

-Eric Smith moved to approve a purchase order for \$40,000.00. The purchase order is for 600 ton of rock salt on the ODOT State Contract 018-22 at \$60.47 per ton to American Rock Salt Company LLC for the 2021-2022 winter season. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

From the floor – Joe Garrett, Trebel

Mr. Garrett explained that the township’s electric aggregation will expire in December. There is concern that the price will go up. He presented and recommended a twenty-four (24) month contract with Volunteer Energy with a fixed rate of \$0.04599. The township’s current rate is \$0.0498. Residents that would like to opt out will have the opportunity to do so. Letters will be mailed to residents in the middle of October 2021.

-Eric Smith moved to contract with Volunteer Energy with a fixed rate of \$0.04599 for 24 months for Harrison Township’s Electric Aggregation. This will take effect with the December 2021 flow and will show up on the January 2022 bills. The motion further states that Trustee Eric Smith will sign documents. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Road Department Report continued– Ben Patterson, Road Superintendent

Ben reviewed the resurfacing project with The Shelly Company. The roads that are a part of the contract are 24’ wide and the engineer provided the estimate with 22’ wide roads. A few other roads were measured too long. Amounts of product are working out about the same as the original bid.

Ben informed the trustees that Newark Township would like to buy the snow plow truck (truck #2). The trustees would like for Ben to obtain a value for the truck and see if Newark Township would like to make an offer.

Ben reported that the 310 backhoe needs repair and that he will price a new one.

Ben presented estimates for a new berm box for the new plow truck as follows:

1. The Dexter Company \$9,400.00 plus stainless steel brackets
2. ACE Equipment \$11,255.00

-Ray Foor moved to approve a purchase order for 10,000.00 to The Dexter Company for a berm box and stainless steel brackets. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Ben reported that the Water and Sewer District has a one-year bond to cover issues that might arise from the Hollow Road Project. In some places the ditch is very close to the edge of the road. Ben will document probable issues.

Zoning Report – Valerie Hans, Zoning Inspector

Valerie reported that the PUCO would like to hold a public hearing for the Union Ridge Solar Project at the Township Hall sometime between August 9th and September 17th.

Zoning for shipping containers was reviewed.

Trustee Van Buren reviewed activities of the West Licking Fire District.

-Eric Smith moved to approve the following:

1. **The minutes of the June 7, 2021 regular meeting**
2. **Payment advice 156-2021 through 162-2021**
3. **Warrants 17945 through 17956**

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

The trustees discussed the position of Zoning Inspector with Valerie Hans as well as their expectations.

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 11:55 a.m.

Minutes are unofficial until approved by the trustees.

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn I. Elder

Harrison Township Fiscal Officer

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