

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JUNE 5, 2023

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on June 5, 2023 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	Joe Garrett, Trebel
Guest	Deb Moore, 35 Gristmill Ct.
Guest	Larry Kretzmann, SWLCWSD
Guest	Gregory Carr, 8225 Gale Road

From the floor – Joe Garrett, Trebel

Mr. Garrett reviewed the current electric aggregation program. He stated that over 80% of residents participate in aggregation. Seventy-four residents opted out of the program. He reviewed the current rate of \$6.28 per kWh for a twelve month contract from May 2024 till May 2025.

-Eric Smith moved to sign a 12 month contract for electric aggregation. The rate will be \$6.28 kWh with Energy Harbor LLC. with the term beginning May 2024 meter read dates through May 2025 meter read dates. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

-Eric Smith moved to sign a 2 year contract for natural gas aggregation with Archer Energy at \$0.585 per Cef. The period will cover August 1, 2023 through May 31, 2025. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Road Report – Ben Patterson, Road Superintendent

Ben reported that the shelter house needs the roof replaced and he will look into estimates for a metal roof.

The Middleground culvert project is waiting on engineering from the county.

Ben presented estimates for a new steam power washer to wash the trucks.

1. Hotsy Equipment Company \$9,650.00
2. Enzo's \$13,543.80

The road department would like to look at more options before a decision is made. Ben reported that the old fuel tanks must have a permit issued by the State Fire Marshall before they are moved from the property.

Mosquito tests have been negative for West Nile Virus. The dry weather is helping keep the mosquito count low.

Zachary Builders Limited is requesting a change order for \$430.85 for the siding on the old administration building. They will attend the next meeting.

-Ray Foor moved to approve the following:

- 1. The minutes of the May 16, 2023 regular meeting minutes.**
- 2. The minutes of the May 16, 2023 public hearing minutes.**
- 3. Payment advice 164-2023 through 192-2023.**
- 4. Warrants 18727 through 18749.**
- 5. The May Bank Reconciliation.**

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

Trustee Van Buren reminded everyone about the Licking County Township Meeting on June 17th at Van Buren Acres. It will start with lunch at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting to follow. Trustee Van Buren mentioned purchasing a speed wagon for the township and that the price might be too much.

From the floor – Larry Kretzmann, SWLCWSD
Mr. Kretzmann reviewed activities of the district.

The Zoning Inspector, Valerie Hans had contacted Ramaker concerning CIMS software for the cemetery records. A Zoom meeting took place with the salesman from Ramaker. He explained the CIMS Platinum software and the cost. The total base services would cost \$5,200.00 plus \$1,000.00 per year. The trustees felt that this software was cost prohibitive.

-Ray Foor moved to select the \$10,000 coverage limit for Crime Coverage for the OTARMA insurance policy. Eric Smith 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 reviewed the following items.
- The May zoning permit and fees total was \$2,957.05.
- 23 Jefferson Court – There is a junk motor vehicle on the property. Violation notice will be sent and a hearing will be held at the July 3rd meeting.
- 5103-3 York Road – Grass has been mowed and she is working with property owners to get debris removed.
- 8987 Wesleyan Church Road – Agricultural Building exemption granted.

- The ZC has met twice to discuss the Small Solar Farm code revisions as well as AirBnB code revisions. Valerie stated that the AirBnB on Kennedy Drive has been closed by the HOA. The ones on Blacks Road and in Indian Hills are still operating. The trustees want violation letters sent.
- Scotland Ridge Subdivision – Valerie has made them aware that the roads in phase one will need to be brought up to county road specs prior to continuing on with the development.

The fiscal officer reviewed the Auditor of State Fraud Risk Reporting and Responsibilities letter with the Board.

The fiscal officer read various pieces of correspondence and passed out Financial Reports for the trustees to review. The May bank reconciliation was signed.

Being no further business, Chairman Mark Van Buren adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Minutes are unofficial until approved by the trustees.

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn I. Elder
Harrison Township Fiscal Officer