

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 22, 2023

The Harrison Township Trustees met in regular session on August 22, 2023 at the Township Hall. The Chairman, Mark Van Buren, called the meeting to order at 9:00 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.

Trustee	Mark Van Buren
Trustee	Eric Smith
Trustee	Ray Foor
Fiscal Officer	Carolyn Elder
Zoning Inspector	Valerie Hans
Road Superintendent	Pete Sigman
Road Department	Ben Patterson
Guest	Tim Hoskinson, 4783 Wesleyan Church Rd.
Guest	Larry Kretzmann, SWLCW&SD

From the floor – Tim Hoskinson, 4783 Wesleyan Church Road

Mr. Hoskinson stated that there were rumors that the trustees did not want the Outville Power Show to take place at the township complex. He wondered if this is true.

The Zoning Inspector stated that she spoke with Dustin Martin and he said that his father had sold most of his equipment and they were not having the show this year.

Mr. Hoskinson stated that the group was not told this. Mr. Hoskinson would love to have the Outville Power Show at the complex in 2024. It would be an antique tractor show with a possible tug pull.

The trustees have always supported the show so that residents could attend and enjoy.

From the floor – Larry Kretzmann, SWLCW&SD

Mr. Kretzmann reported on activities of the district.

He stated that the Wagram wastewater plant will be re-bid or the process stopped due to stricter EPA regulation requirements.

Road Report – Pete Sigman, Road Superintendent

Pete presented an estimate from Enzo’s Cleaning Solutions, LLC for a hose reel to go with the new pressure washer in the amount of \$745.00.

-Eric Smith moved to approve a purchase order to Enzo’s Cleaning Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$745.00 for a hose reel for the pressure washer. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Pete reported that the F150 has blown a manifold gasket and will get an estimate for repair. Chaney Mechanical has serviced the heating and cooling units. The old Administration Building needs an air conditioner motor. There is a PO in place for repairs.

Pete reported on the condition of the roads in Ellington Village that need maintenance before they are dedicated to the township.

Pete ask if he could add more information to the permit applications from the road department. He is hoping to avoid issues that arise during the construction work. The trustees agreed.

Trustee Foor inquired about the need for a flagger or mowing ahead signs when the road crew mow the hills on Wesleyan Church Road. Pete feels strongly that we should not flag for liability reasons. Trustee Van Buren suggested following the mowers with hazard lights on the pickup truck.

Trustee Foor stated that Bill McCloud on Hollow Road would like to fill in the ditch to mow. Discussion took place and Mr. McCloud is welcome to attend a meeting. The trustees are sticking to their policy to keep ditches open.

Zoning Report – Valerie Hans, Zoning Inspector

Discussion was held concerning a Saturday funeral that cost the township more than the fee of \$250.00. The trustees agreed to raise the fee to \$1,000.00 and require all memorial services to end by 2:00 p.m.

-Mark Van Buren moved to adopt Resolution 2023 08 22 01 which states: HARRISON TOWNSHIP, YORK ROAD CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS RESOLUTION. Eric Smith seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2023 08 22 02 which states: This AGREEMENT is made by and between the Board of Harrison Township Trustees (the “BOARD”) and Crispin Iron & Metal Recycling Center – 629 New Haven Avenue, Newark, Ohio 43055 (the “CONTRACTOR”), for the disposal of junk motor vehicles within Harrison Township. 23 Jefferson Court, Pataskala, Family Realtors LLC. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2023 08 22 03 which states: This AGREEMENT is made by and between the Board of Harrison Township Trustees (the “BOARD”) and Crispin Iron & Metal Recycling Center – 629 New Haven Avenue, Newark, Ohio 43055 (the “CONTRACTOR”), for the disposal of junk motor vehicles within Harrison Township. 201 Riva Ridge Road SW, Pataskala, Sarah M. & Mary J. Humphreys. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2023 08 22 04 which states: WHEREAS, R.C. 505.87(A) provides that a board of township may provide for the abatement, control, or removal of

vegetation, garbage, refuse, or debris from land in the township if the board determines that the owner's maintenance of that vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris constitutes a nuisance. 201 Riva Ridge Road SW, Pataskala, Sarah M. & Mary J. Humphreys. This motion further approves a purchase order to Tizeri, Inc. for \$750.00 to clean up the nuisance property if the property owner does not comply. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

The Zoning Inspector reported that Ellington Village Condominiums have not mowed their property this summer. She obtained estimates from Property Rescue for \$750.00 and Jeff Shomaker for \$1,400.00 to mow the property. This will be discussed at the next meeting. 40 Cherokee Trail is a nuisance property that will be discussed at the next meeting. The quote from Property Rescue was \$750.00 to mow the property. Valerie has sorted through the road department records and is ready to hold a Records Commission meeting.

-Eric Smith moved to hold a Harrison Township Records Commission Meeting on October 2, 2023 at 5:45 p.m. at the Harrison Township Hall. Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The motion passed.

Trustee Van Buren discussed the BWT swimming pool. They have concerns about the possibly of having a major issue that could put them out of business.

-Ray Foor moved to approve the following:

- 1. The minutes of the August 7, 2023 regular meeting.**
- 2. Payment advice 255-2023 through 267-2023.**
- 3. Warrants 18808 through 18824.**

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

The fiscal officer and trustees discussed lighting assessments for Outville, Indian Hills Subdivision and Harrison Meadows Subdivision.

-Ray Foor moved to adopt Resolution 2023 08 22 05 which states: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Harrison Township Trustees hereby levies an assessment against each lot in the Outville Lighting District in the amount of \$50.00, 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 2023 08 22 06 which states: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Harrison Township Trustees hereby levies an assessment against each lot in the Indian Hills Subdivision Lighting District in the amount of \$75.00, 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 2023 08 22 07 which states: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Harrison Township Trustees hereby levies an assessment against each lot in the Harrison Meadows Subdivision Lighting District in the amount of \$90.00, 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.

-Eric Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2023 08 22 08 which states: HARRISON TOWNSHIP CREDIT CARD POLICY. Peter Sigman, Road Superintendent, was issued a credit card and Benjamin Patterson's authority to use a credit card will end 8/22/2023 (Close account). Ray Foor seconded the motion. Roll call: Van Buren YES, Smith YES and Foor YES. The resolution was adopted.

The fiscal officer has signed a contract with the Auditor of State for Wilson, Phillips & Agin, CPA's to perform the township's 2022-2023 audit for \$4,300.00.

The fiscal officer reported that Licking County has issued the itemized report on distribution of estimated undivided local government funds for calendar year 2024. The townships estimate is \$21,862.67.

The fiscal officer reported that 2022 medical bills have been received pass the March 31, 2023 HRA deadline.

-Ray Foor moved to approve paying two medical bills received by employees after the HRA deadline.

- 1. Carolyn Elder in the amount of \$1,481.64**
- 2. Eric Smith in the amount of \$90.53**

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

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 10:56 a.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 22, 2023 minutes.

RESOLUTION 2023 08 22 01

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