

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

### REGULAR SESSION

Held on February 21, 2011

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened in regular session from 7 PM to 7:45 PM in the Harpersfield town Hall. Edward Demshar, Chairman, called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Edward Demshar	Present	James Pristov	Present
Clifford Henry	Present	Sharon Rohrbaugh	Present

Employees: Peggy Miller, Everett Henry

Visitors: Aaron Miller, Trudy and Matthew German, Ed and Jackie Spoor, Jeff Lang, Ron Valitsky

The minutes from the regular meeting held on February 7, 2011, were reviewed. Jim made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and to approve the minutes as written; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Peggy reported issuing one agricultural zoning permit.

Everett informed the Board that Fire Fly Fire Equipment is repairing a pump on Unit 662. NAD hosted a CPR class, 26 persons attended, Tim Park was the instructor.

Bortnick Tractor Sales brought a Model M8540 Kubota tractor to the Road Dept for them to look over to determine if it was going to be adequate enough to perform all of the functions they need in a tractor. Everett believes that this model will do the job for the Township. Cliff made a motion to purchase the Model M8540 Kubota tractor from Bortnick Tractor Sales for the amount of \$36787.40; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor. Cliff made a motion to purchase the Alamo 74" professional flail mower to be mounted on the Kubota tractor from Southeastern Equipment Co. at a cost of \$22221.54; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor. Cliff made a motion to purchase extra items for the tractor (rear wiper, wheel weights, air ride seat, backup/strobe lite); Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Cliff made a motion to pay the following bills: #5519 thru #5548; totaling \$17,077.86; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported receiving the following receipts: #14-11 thru #20-11; totaling \$5,915.22.

Sharon contacted Verizon and they offer a 15% monthly discount to govt. municipalities. The phone will have to be in Everett's name, but the monthly invoice will be sent to the Township address for payment. The cell phone that Everett now has is with Alltel and the coverage is very poor. Everett uses the phone for the road dept. and the fire dept. Cliff made a motion to allow Everett to purchase a new cell phone from Verizon; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon commented that the Township received 46 resumes to be reviewed for the road department position that will be open upon Earl's retirement.

Cliff commented that the Chamber of Commerce Business Expo was excellent and the Friends of the Park had a booth set up.

Cliff stated that the public meeting for the Rt. 534 Corridor Study was very informative.

Jim commented that the <sup>12</sup>18<sup>th</sup> round for the fire grant has been awarded and since we have not heard anything regarding the grant means that we are still in the "running" to receive grant funding. Let's keep our fingers crossed!

Jim was contacted by a resident that is very interested in being buried in a mausoleum; not a vault in the ground. Jim suggested that the Board create a policy regarding this type of situation, a mausoleum will require a different type of maintenance and locations in the cemetery should be considered, also mentioned was a cremation wall. More research and thought will be put into this request.

Ed stated that the only way a traffic light will be installed at the GaREAT complex driveway will be if the complex pays for it.

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The Board voted to have a work session on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM to review the resumes that the Township received.

Jackie Spoor stated that the Friends of the Park will hold a Pasta Dinner Fundraiser on February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center.

Terry DeVan attended the meeting to ask the Board for permission to remove a tree from the Park dam area. The Board informed Mr. DeVan that the Township does not have the authority to grant permission for this as the park is under the Ashtabula County MetroParks system.

Sharon will contact the Illuminating Company to report the street light at Voss Road and Cork Cold Springs Road is blinking and Ron Valitsky reported that the one in Unionville Cemetery on Rt. 84 is out.

It was also announced that the Harpersfield Lenten dinners will start on March 11<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting adjourned until March 7, 2011.

Edward Demshar

James Pristov

Clifford Henry

Sharon Rohrbaugh