

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

REGULAR SESSION

Held on December 12, 2016

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened in regular session from 7 PM to 7:40 PM in the Harpersfield Township Administration Building. Clifford Henry, Chairman, called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Clifford Henry	Present	Raymond Gruber Jr	Present
James Pristov	Present	Sharon Rohrbaugh	Present

Employees: Peggy Miller; Everett Henry

Visitors: Aaron Miller; Louis Pristov; Ed and Jackie Spoor; Ron Valitsky; Patrick and Debbie Vautrin; Steve Ozbolt

The minutes from the regular session held on November 21, 2016, were reviewed. Ray made a motion to approve the minutes as written; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Cliff suggested to Peggy to contact Terry Palmer, Ashtabula County Health Dept., to question what info he is looking for in the letter that residents are requesting be sent to County Health Dept., pertaining to empty lots that residents would like to pull a septic system permit for prior to the new laws taking effect on January 1, 2017.

Cliff questioned Peggy if she had sent the letter to the Ashtabula County Prosecutor regarding the van body parked at the Best Motors facility? She again responded that she had not. Ray asked "Are you going to?"; she responded "yes". Both Ray and Cliff reiterated they want it sent.

Everett informed the Board that the ISO rating has been completed by Insurance Services of Ohio. This rating helps residents with their homeowners insurance premium costs. If your residents is 1000 feet of a fire hydrant it is rated a 6; if not, rated 8. This process will be done again in 5 years.

Everett explained that there was an error made in calculating the firemen payroll. This resulted in Sharon having to void the first run of checks. The calculations will be re-done and checks will get to the firemen ASAP.

Jim made a motion to pay the bills totaling: \$20,248.48; #9251 through #9337; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported the following receipts: #222-2016 through #235-2016; totaling \$21,794.62.

Sharon informed the Board that we received the \$3,000 from City of Geneva to pay for the 6 manholes included in the Berringer Place paving project; we received the \$500 for the MORE grant.

Sharon stated that we received the Certificate of Result of Election for the results of the replacement of 1 mill and increase of 0.5 mill for the road and bridge levy. Total of votes cast: 1,357 with 881 for and 476 against.

Sharon received a request for the Dept of Liquor Control asking if we would request a hearing for a name change regarding Camp Kenisee liquor permit license. The Board unanimously agreed that a hearing was not necessary.

The ballot was cast for the OTARMA board members and will be sent back.

Jim moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees of Harpersfield Township, in accordance with the provisions of law has adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 2017.

Whereas, the Budget Commission of Ashtabula County, has certified its action thereon to the Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board and what part thereof is without and what part within the ten mill limitation; therefore, be it Resolved by the Board of Trustees that the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted.

Ray seconded the Resolution and the roll call vote was as follows: Pristov, yes; Henry, yes; Gruber, yes

Jim made a motion to pay up to \$2200 for a hydrant for the Meadowbrook Lane water line being installed by Robert Schiemann; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Ray stated that the bed tax letters have been sent out to bed and breakfast and vacation rentals that are within the township.

Ray informed the Board that he has not heard back from Trumbull Township regarding the road agreement or the status of their fire department.

Ray stated that the residents on Wildwood Drive have requested a "no outlet sign" be put up.

Patrick and Debbie Vautrin attended the meeting to ask the Board for help as they cannot get a response from the Zoning Administrator regarding the zoning regulations for putting up a sign on their property. The Board pointed out that the Zoning Administrator was in attendance at the meeting and would answer their questions.

Jim presented Everett and Julie Henry as Township Citizen of the Year award.

The Board voted to hold the Organizational meeting on December 30, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

The next regular meeting will be held on January 16, 2017.

Meeting adjourned

Clifford Henry

Raymond Gruber Jr

James Pristov

Sharon Rohrbaugh