

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

REGULAR SESSION

Held on April 3, 2017

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened in regular session from 7 PM to 8:15 PM in the Harpersfield Township Administration Building. Raymond Gruber Jr, Chairman, called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

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

Employees: Larry Lister; Steve Opron; Everett Henry

Visitors: Ron Valitsky, Jeff Lang, Patricia Lung, Spencer Gale, Felix Paneto and Jessica Furman, Ed Spoor

The minutes from the regular session held on March 20, 2017, were reviewed. Cliff made a motion to approve the minutes as written; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Larry reported that the BZA approved a variance for Mr. Johnson; he assisted John Wilder with a lot split; he stated that the BZA will have a variance hearing for Dale Sunderlin on April 18, 2017.

Larry informed the Board that Catherine Colgan, Assistant County Prosecutor, sent paperwork to Best Motor regarding the truck van body. Larry asked the Board if he should communicate with them now and Board responded no, that the County Prosecutor will have to handle the matter now.

Steve informed that Board that Jim Doherty Trucking will supply the dumpsters for our Township Clean Up Day event. Steve also stated that he plans to open South County Line Road (Clyde Hill bridge) on April 14th.

As the Board decided to purchase stone for the roads on a "per needed basis" versus bidding process, Steve called around to various suppliers and the lowest quote is with T. W. Benson Trucking. Cliff made a motion to allow Steve to order stone on an as needed basis from T. W. Benson Trucking for 2017; Jim seconded, the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Steve stated that the road crew took down the snow fence and several rolls need to be replaced. Ray authorized Steve to purchase ten rolls including posts if needed. The Board suggested getting prices from Tractor Supply and Austinburg Mill. Jim seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Steve reported that Trumbull Township road crew has completed the 80 hours of roadside mowing.

Matt Rahija met with Bob Virant regarding generators that we received from HDT as donations and we were going to pass along to the County. Bob said that it is not practical to convert and use the units for residential purposes as they were constructed for military use. Everett will inform the County.

Jim made a motion to pay the bills totaling: \$12,560.52; #9545 through #9562; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported the following receipts: #44-2017 through #51-2017; totaling \$7,681.25.

Sharon commented on the Cybersecurity Training class that she recently attended. She elected to attend this class as one of the mandatory 12 hour classes that she has to attend. It was very informative and "eye-opening" as to what is happening in the "cyber" world.

Cliff attended the annual Ashtabula County Health Department meeting and gave a update on the home septic system situation.

Cliff stated that he has completed the Job Classification for the Zoning Administrator position. The Board reviewed and discussed and upon agreement of contents; Cliff made a motion to accept the Job Classification for Zoning Administrator as presented and to be effective immediately; Jim seconded; the Board voted thusly: Gruber, yes; Pristov, yes; Henry, yes

Jim received a question about the Brakeman Cemetery on Rt. 84. The Township does not maintain this and no one is familiar with it. Everett commented that he climbed up to it about 40 years ago and remembers that it pre dates civil war – could be an old Indian burial ground – no one is sure what it is. Ray said he would do some research and see what he could find out.

Cliff made a motion to have the Township participate in the 2018 Township calendar; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Ray reported on a meeting he attended at the Geneva Area Schools regarding the Spire property tax issue. Ray read the counter proposal that the school board agreed on and it has been sent to the Spire attorney. He gave an update on the County's tax revision and appraisal of the Spire property.

Ray attended a class for the Township to participate in a grant program with no matching funds that will allow the Township to replace all road signs of any kind. He will meet with Steve to make a complete list and submit before the June 9th deadline.

Ray has asked Steve and road crew to put the flags back up over the I-90 over pass by the end of April.

Ray received a complaint from Dick Virant regarding one of his neighbors that has numerous vehicles parked in the yard.

Jeff Lang questioned if the Board knew what was creating the large "BOOM" noise that numerous residents heard over the weekend. The Board (and/or any one in attendance) knew what had made the sound.

Mrs. Lung attended the meeting to request that the Township does not re-open South County Line Road (at the Clyde Hill bridge); the Board told her that as it is a public road that is not possible. She asked about the recycling bins returning, the Board stated that the County said it should start back up but no date has been announced. She also stated that the roadside mower made a mess, Steve will check it out and clean up the mess.

Spencer Gale informed the Board that a section of the roof collapsed on the Rohrbaugh house structure on Old Orchard Drive. This allowed a garbage stench smell to become even worse; rats are worse; neighbors have contacted the Bank and were told that the structure is in to "good condition" to condemn.

Felix Paneto showed the Board a letter he received from an attorney representing Harpersfield Development (company planning to build hotel). The letter is notifying Mr. Paneto that the property owner plans to start surveying and to undertake various site work on their property. They are informing Mr. Paneto "If you have any personal property that you believe may be located on Harpersfield Development's property you are hereby put on notice to remove the same immediately. Harpersfield Development will not be liable for any of your personal property located on their property that is destroyed or damaged by its site work on its property". Mr. Paneto has extended his property line onto Harpersfield Development and has used it as his own for the past 19 years and is not in agreement that Harpersfield Development is asking him to remove his personal property from land that he has maintained (but now owned) for all these years. Ray invited Mr. Paneto to the next JEDD III meeting to voice his concerns.

Meeting adjourned until April 17, 2017

Raymond Gruber Jr

James Pristov

Clifford Henry

Sharon Rohrbaugh

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BID OPENING

Held on April 3, 2017

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened for a special meeting to open bids for 15,000 gallons of AEP and 50,000 of CRS-2 dust control products to be used on Township roads throughout 2017.

The following were present:

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

Employees: Larry Lister; Steve Opron

Visitors: representatives from Suit-Kote and Martuccio

The following sealed bids were opened at this time:

Frank Martuccio Asphalt & Paving Inc.

Hermitage, PA

15,000 gallons (more or less) of AEP \$1.233 per gallon

50,000 gallons (more or less) of CRS-2 \$1.262 per gallon

Both products are priced delivered and applied as directed

Suit-Kote Corporation

Meadville PA

15,000 gallons of AEP \$1.233 per gallon

50,000 gallons of CRS-2 \$1.279 per gallon

Both products are priced delivered and applied

Russell Standard Corp

Union City, PA

15,000 gallons of AEP \$1.547 per gallon

50,000 gallons of CRS-2 \$1.703 per gallon

Both products are priced delivered and applied

The Board reviewed and discussed the bids and Cliff made a motion to accept the bids from Frank Martuccio Asphalt and Paving for both the AEP and CRS-2 dust control products for 2017; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Raymond Gruber Jr

James Pristov

Clifford Henry

Sharon Rohrbaugh