

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

REGULAR SESSION

Held on November 20, 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; Everett Henry; Steve Opron

Visitors: Cassie Parker; Bob Alderman; Tom Perko; Ron Valitsky; Jeff Lang; Judy Pasqualone; Jackie and Ed Spoor

The minutes from the regular meeting held on November 6, 2017 were reviewed. Cliff made a motion to approve the minutes as written; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Steve informed the Board that the "Clyde Hill bridge" is closed for the season.

Steve reported that another load of road signs were delivered.

Steve questioned the Board about the sewer damage done to Old Orchard and what repairs can be done this time of year. Ray stated that Geneva City is looking into finding a contractor that can apply asphalt this time of year; Larry suggested concrete.

Tom Perko donated three first aid kits (large wall mount style that had various first aid items included) that he received from Cintas; the firemen plan to install the boxes in both fire stations and the community center.

Jim made a motion to pay the bills: #9927 through #9953; totaling \$70,421.12; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Cliff attended a NOPEC meeting and found out that grants might be offered again for replacing furnaces, lighting etc.

Cliff commented that he received a complaint from Glenn Hadlock regarding on the condition of Shilling Road; he stated that it washes out really bad; Steve commented that he spread stone on the area and plans to fix the situation next spring.

Ray read the following resolution:

A Resolution/Ordinance to adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Ashtabula County Solid Waste Management District

Whereas, Harpersfield Township is located within the jurisdiction of the Ashtabula County Solid Waste Management District.

Whereas, the District Policy Committee prepared and adopted a final draft of the solid Waste Management Plan in Accordance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 3734.53, 3734.54 and 3734.55.

Whereas, the District has provided a copy of the Draft Final Solid Waste Management Plan for ratification to each of the legislative authorities of the District.

Whereas, Harpersfield Township must decide whether it approves of said Solid Waste Management Plan within ninety days of receipt of the Final Draft Plan.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Trustees of Harpersfield Township:

Harpersfield Township approves the District Solid Waste Management Plan

The Fiscal Office is hereby directed to send the District a copy of this resolution to the attention of Ms. Janice Switzer, District Coordinator, Ashtabula County Solid Waste Management District, 25 West Jefferson St, Jefferson, OH 44047.

That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Trustees concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution/ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Trustees and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meeting open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Sections 121.22 of the ORC.

The Board voted thusly: Henry, yes; Pristov, yes; Gruber, yes

Ray read the following resolution:

Bicycle Route Resolution

Whereas, bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, contributing \$133 billion a year to the economics of communities that provide facilities for such tourist; and

Whereas, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various US bicycle Routes, and

Whereas, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various State Bicycle Routes to connect the US Bicycle Routes and communities, and

Whereas, ODOT has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various State Bicycle Routes and

Whereas, ODOT is supportive of AASHTO designated bicycle routes through Ohio, subject to ongoing collaboration with affected jurisdictions to inventory, analyze, and designate specific facilities the routes will traverse, and

Whereas, Harpersfield Township and the Adventure Cycling Association, with the cooperation of ODOT and other stakeholders, have proposed specific routes to be designated, a map of which is herein incorporated into this resolution by reference, and

Whereas, we have investigated the proposed route and found it to be a suitable route, and desire that the route be designated to that it can be mapped and signed, there by promoting bicycle tourism in our area, and

Whereas, we acknowledge the route may change over time because new facilities are being constructed that are more suitable for bicyclists,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Harpersfield Township Trustees hereby expresses its approval and support for the development of State and US Bicycle Routes, and requests that the appropriate officials see to it that the route is officially designated by AASHTO and ODOT. Once the Route is approved, there may be efforts to publicize the route via internet maps, incorporating the Route on local maps, etc.

Tourism agencies may be involved in these efforts.

The Board voted thusly: Henry, yes; Pristov, yes; Gruber, yes

After contacting the County Prosecutor, Ray received a letter, instructing the Board that the Board of Trustees are not to interfere or interpret the zoning policy (text) and that the situation with the Berringer Place residents and the students residing in the "dorm houses" will be handled by the Zoning Administrator.

Ray will contact the Trumbull Township Trustees to determine if they are interested in renewing the Road Agreement involving Leslie and Matson Roads.

The Board decided that we will hold our Organizational Meeting on December 21st at 2 PM.

Meeting adjourned until December 11, 2017

Raymond Gruber Jr

James Pristov

Clifford Henry

Sharon Rohrbaugh