

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

REGULAR SESSION

Held on February 19, 2018

The Board of Harpersfield township convened in regular session from 7 PM to 8:17 PM in the Harpersfield Township Administration Building. James Pristov, Chairman, called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

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

Employees: Steve Opron

Visitors: Judy Pasqualone; Ed and Jackie Spoor; Ron Valitsky; Jeff Lang; Mike and Barb Parker

The minutes from the regular meeting held on February 5, 2018, were reviewed. Ray made a motion to approve the minutes as written; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

As Larry was absent, Sharon read from a note that he left; he has contacted the Prosecutor's Office regarding the property located at 1970 South Broadway; he issued one zoning permit (for the remodeling at McDonald's).

Steve reported on quotes he received for road signs: "Road Closed to Semi's" and "Open to Bridge"; Price from Newman Signs - \$150 and from County Engineer - \$87. The Board decided to get two of the "Road Closed to Semi's". Therefore, Cliff made a motion to purchase three signs from the County Engineer for \$130; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Steve reported quotes for the 8 foot snow plow blade for the pick up. Best Truck Equipment (8 ft snow plow blade with set of Boss plow wings) - \$5750 (\$5350 if we install) and O'Reilly Equipment (8 ft snow plow blade with removable plow wings-installed) - \$6,000. Cliff made a motion to purchase the 8 foot snow plow with boss plow wings from Best Truck Equipment (and Cody will install) at a cost of \$5350; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Steve stated that he was having problems with the clutch on the 2010 Mack dump truck; took it to R.W. Sidley and they told him there was no clutch adjustment and recommended a new clutch be installed. R.W. Sidley cost - \$3000; Truckmen - \$3353; Cody and get the clutch assembly from Custom Clutch under \$900 and install it in our garage. Ray made a motion to purchase the clutch assembly from Custom Clutch; Cliff seconded; the Board agreed unanimously in favor.

Ray and Steve reported that a section of South River Road (near Voss Road) washed out and it was determined that the culvert needed to be replaced. The road was closed for a couple of days while the new culvert was installed. Steve recommended that the guardrail be replaced as well. Lake Erie Construction Company gave a quote of \$3282.50 to replace the guardrail and posts. Ray made a motion to have Lake Erie Construction Co. replace the guardrail; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Cliff made a motion to pay the bills: #10141 through #10166; totaling \$16,233.49; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported the following receipts: #16-2018 through #28-2018; totaling \$25,193.82.

Ray made a motion to adopt:

Be it resolved by the Board of Township Trustees that to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of said Board of Trustees, during the fiscal year, ending December 31, 2018, the following sums be and the same hereby set aside and appropriated for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made for and during the fiscal year, as follows:

General Fund	576,068.14
Motor Vehicle	17,897.94
Gas Tax	129,280.29
Road & Bridge	446,323.12
Cemetery	10,980.08
Road Sign Grant	14,804.60
Zoning	17,169.43

Fire Levy	88,384.00
Motor Vehicle – State	16,645.76
Street Lighting Assessments	14,507.37
Fire Truck Bond Levy	64,005.31
JEDD III income tax	46,069.48
Total appropriations for 2018:	1,442,135.52

Cliff seconded the motion – roll call: Gruber, yes; Henry, yes; Pristov, yes

The Board reviewed Draft 7 that Rep. John Patterson created for the Spire tax exemption; no comments were made and Ray will let Rep Patterson know that we support the bill.

The Board received the following addendum from Trumbull Township:

This addendum is made to the 2017 road maintenance agreement between the Board of Trustees of Harpersfield Township and Trumbull Township. For the year 2018, the obligations of the parties shall remain the same as their respective obligations I 2017, with the exception that Trumbull Township shall provide a tractor, mower, and manpower for 60 hours.

Cliff made a motion to accept the addendum as written; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Ray contacted Austinburg/Geneva/Saybrook Townships requesting information about “comp time” for employees. All three townships stated that they do allow their employees to use this and Ray will ask for a copy of their policies.

Cliff spoke with David Foote who lives on Barnum Road; he informed Cliff that when we had the road paved his concrete driveway was cut and they asphalt was not meet; as this is the responsibility of the Township, Cliff will get quotes.

Cliff will forward address 5959 Cork Cold Springs Road to Judge Schroeder to be included in the land bank process.

Cliff received notification from NOPEC that they will give up to \$15,000 to a charity event if sponsored by the Township. Cliff is considering setting up a booth at the beef roast. He will get more info.

Jackie Spoor questioned the Board about the \$10 per meeting fee for use of the town hall building. Jackie informed the Board that the Friends of the Park will now hold their meetings at NAD (they felt that \$120 could be spent on other things).

Mike and Barb Parker attended the meeting to discuss the zoning situation they are having with the Board of Zoning Appeals regarding a variance they need to build a garage that would be built in front of their house structure. They applied for a zoning permit in August and the BZA heard the variance request in October (all Board members voted no); Mike never received anything in writing as to why he was denied. Cliff commented that the Zoning Clerk is new and probably does not know she was to have sent the paperwork to Mike within 30 days. Mike re-applied in November and has not heard anything about that either. Ed Spoor commented that the BZA should have voted to continue the hearing as Mike was not able to attend the hearing (he was out of state). Ray informed Mike that the Board of Trustees are separate from the Board of Zoning Appeals and cannot instruct them of their decisions. Mike will be meeting with an attorney to contemplate the next step as he feels that the BZA did not follow proper procedures and never notified him why he was denied. Cliff will meet with Larry and email Assistant Prosecutor Colgan for opinion in this matter.

Meeting adjourned until March 5, 2018

James Pristov

Raymond Gruber Jr

Clifford Henry

Sharon Rohrbaugh