

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

REGULAR SESSION

Held on September 24, 2018

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened in regular session from 7 PM to 8:40 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: Everett Henry, Steve Opron, Larry Lister

Visitors: Julie Henry, Jeff Lang, Jenny Castanza, Renee & Rich Hanyok, Debbie Mihalick

Jenny attended the meeting to present information about NOPEC.

Larry reported on the status of the Mihalick's zoning complaint with their neighbors; he is now contacting the property owner and not the renter to attempt to resolve the matter.

Larry spoke with Dave Pelley regarding a shooting range on his property. He informed Mr. Pelley he cannot bring in groups of people even if he does not charge; he can only use the range himself and his family. After Larry took pictures of the ad signs on his truck, Mr. Pelley removed them.

Steve reported that he picked up the new 550 truck at Classic and took in directly to Concord Road Equipment for the dump bed to be installed.

Ray made a motion to pay half of the expense to purchase an air pump (\$3500 total cost); Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor. This is used with the SCBA cascade system.

Everett informed the Board that the materials have been purchased for the Fire Prevention presentation at Cork School. The total was \$797; Jim amended the previous motion of \$750 to allow the additional monies up to \$800; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor. Everett will be at Cork School on October 11th at 1:30 PM.

Sharon received word from Andy Kaschalk that we were turned down again for the grant that would have replaced turn out gear.

Ray made a motion to pay the following bills: #10522 through #10543; totaling \$19,685.40; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported the following receipts: #176-208 through #185-2018; totaling \$12,317.52.

Cliff 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 2019.

Whereas, the Budget Commission of Ashtabula County, has certified its action thereon to the Board together with an estimate by the Ashtabula 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: Gruber, yes; Henry, yes; Pristov, yes

Larry requested that a mailbox be put up at the Administration Building; Sharon voiced her concerns because no one works in the building on a regular basis to collect the mail. Sharon questioned the post office about transferring the mail to the Township office address; and it can be forwarded for one year. The Board voted to forward the mail and Jim will instruct Gary to change the mailing address for the Township on the website.

Ray informed the Board that the Ashtabula County Convention Bureau changed their fee structure and the \$25 that we voted on at the last meeting no longer exists; the choices now are \$100 or \$365. He made a motion that we pay the \$100 membership fee; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Ray stated that the video information will be sent to lodging businesses and wineries.

Cliff commented that the Federal Department of Agriculture is looking at various places in the United States to move their offices out of Washington DC and the Spire complex submitted a bid to be considered.

Cliff presented the Board with a painted picture of the Harpersfield covered bridge donated by Nancy Clark. Her Great Aunt painted it at the age of 68; she lived to 106 years old. The Board will display it in the Administration meeting room.

Debbie Mihalick attended the meeting to again voice her frustration on the lack of resolution there has been to her zoning complaint regarding her neighbor. Debbie informed the Board that she will be contacting Catherine Colgan, Ashtabula County Assistant Prosecutor, to ask for the status of the complaint.

Meeting adjourned until October 8, 2018

James Pristov

Raymond Gruber Jr

Clifford Henry

Sharon Rohrbaugh