

# HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

## REGULAR SESSION

Held on December 13, 2021

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened in regular session from 7 PM to 10:10 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
Edwin Spoor	Present	Sharon Rohrbaugh	Present

Employees: Larry Lister; Frank Henry

Visitors: Lynda & Cliff Henry; Paula Pristov; Ed Pristov; Louise Pristov; Jackie Spoor; Peggy & Jim Bunner

The minutes from the regular session held on November 15, 2021, were presented; Ray and Jim approved them as written.

Frank showed the Board the hand held imaging camera; he said the firemen were very impressed with the quality of the image for such a small unit; the new imaging camera was installed; furnace repairs were made in Station 2 and he signed up for an annual inspection to hopefully avoid problems in the future; he used \$2100 of the CEI funds to purchase three new Marks pagers.

Renee requested that she receive newsletter articles by the end of January.

Sharon questioned if there were any alternates on the BZA and Larry stated that Ashley Kline and Ron Gilbert were alternates for that Board.

Ed made a motion to pay the following bills: #12688 through #12785; totaling \$77,265.90; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported the following receipts: #272-2021 through #299-2021; totaling \$59,130.54.

Sharon questioned the Board to renew the State Road Occupational DOT group consortium contract. The Board unanimously agreed to renew.

Sharon informed the Board that she received a response from ZaneBenefit and they will have the same HRA plan for 2022 allowing the Township to reimburse employees for their individual health coverage.

Sharon asked the Board to set the date and time for the Organization Meeting; the Board agreed to December 31, 2021 at 10 AM.

Ray gave an update on the increase in co-vid cases and hospitalizations; no new information regarding the Lodge and if no changes occur in the next few weeks, ODNR will take over management of the Lodge effective January 1, 2022; the status of the grange building has now been turned over to the Ashtabula County Prosecutor.

Ray stated that we received \$2561 in grant funds from the Solid Waste Department and \$1,000 from NOPEC grant; both of these grants were used to help with the cost of the Clean Up Day event.

Ray made a motion to renew the fire dispatch contract with the City of Geneva for years: 2022 - \$9,850; 2023 - \$10,200; 2024 - \$10,550; Ed seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon voiced a situation that was brought to her attention in a conversation with Chief Henry; our firemen are responding to emergency calls in Trumbull Township and he is concerned about doing this when we do not have coverage for our own residents as the amount of fireman responding to calls can sometimes be very limited. He would like this to be addressed between the Board of Trustees for both Townships agreeing on mutual aid. The Board agreed to discuss this with the new Trumbull Twp Trustees.

Ed informed the Board that Sara Ackerman has resigned from the Zoning Commission effective January 1, 2022.

Ed spoke with resident on Leslie Road who would like to have a cul-de-sac at the end of the road instead of backing up the trucks in residents driveways. Ed will discuss this with Cody.

Ed commented that plans have been submitted for the Dollar Store and that the lot was split for the store and the new water tower.

Jim stated that American Electric will repair the street lights on Spire driveway.

Ed made a motion to have First Energy install two street lights; one at Bishop Road and LaFevre Road at a cost of \$1442.54 and one at Rt. 307 and LaFevre Road at a cost of \$1656.61; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Peg Bunner informed the Board that Alexander Drive is getting damaged with the trucks working on the subdivision; she is asking if the brush can be trimmed back on LaFevre Road and Rt. 84 and Lynda Henry requested the tall weeds be cut back at Rt. 307 and LaFevre Road.

Jackie Spoor reported that 71 kids visited Santa at the Xmas at the Park event.

Ray made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters; Ed seconded; the Board voted thusly: Gruber, yes; Spoor, yes; Pristov, yes

Ray made a motion to adjourn the executive session and to resume the regular session; Ed seconded; the Board voted thusly: Gruber, yes; Spoor, yes; Pristov, yes

Meeting adjourned until the Organizational Meeting on December 31, 2021

James Pristov

Raymond Gruber Jr

Edwin Spoor

Sharon Rohrbaugh