

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

REGULAR SESSION

Held on December 10, 2018

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened in regular session from 7 PM to 8:35 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: Larry Lister; Steve Opron; Everett Henry

Visitors: Jeff Lang

The minutes from the regular session held on November 19, 2018, were reviewed. Ray made a motion to accept the minutes as written; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Larry reported that the Lush Haven transcript is complete and he has forwarded it to Catherine Colgan, Assistant Prosecutor.

Larry gave the Board a proposal from CT Consultants to conduct a zoning seminar for the zoning commission and board of zoning appeals board members. The session would be held on a Saturday and the fee for these services will be \$2,200.

Mike Parker applied for a zoning permit for a garage he plans to build in the spring of 2019; Cliff stated that the previous denied zoning variance has to be settled before Larry can issue a zoning permit.

Steve was contacted by Tina Collins, she claims that a tire and rim on her car was damaged by a pot hole on State Road; she is asking for reimbursement for the \$165 it cost her to replace the tire and rim. The Board instructed Steve to let her know she needs to submit bills as proof and we will submit to OTARMA.

Steve gave the Board the Board a quote from American Electric to install five more outside light fixtures on the Adm/fire station building. The Board decided to table this for now.

Everett informed the Board that Larry Lister will serve on the Fire Dependent's Board (as the outsider) that is necessary to complete the needed Board members.

Everett reported that NAD will supply the reflective house numbers for Berringer Place and Everett and Larry will install them in the spring.

Jeff Lang asked if the fire department would supply and install fire alarms in homes; Everett responded that the department will not be liable for installation.

Cliff made a motion to amend "Health Care Reimbursement Plan" adopted on November 16, 2015:

First paragraph to read:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees have determined that it would be in the best interest of Harpersfield Township officials and employees to receive reimbursement of specified medical care expenses; be it known that a vote was taken, and all were in favor.

Ray seconded, the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Ray made a motion to renew the DOT Consortium agreement with State Road Occupational Medical Facility for the provision of medical testing and examinations for the employees of the Township. The Township desires the State Road Facility to offer and perform random selection for medical testing and examinations. Cliff seconded the motion, the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported receiving the Certificate of Result of Election on a replacement of 1 mill of an existing tax and an increase of 0.5 mill for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire equipment and apparatus, payment of volunteer firefighting, and any other payment related to fire department costs.

Total number of votes cast: 1209

For the tax levy: 775

Against the tax levy: 434

Jim confirmed that the bike trail construction is complete.

Cliff made a motion to pay the following bills: #10649 through #10740; totaling \$43,058.55; Ray seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Sharon reported the following receipts: #239-2018 through #254-2018; totaling \$83,605.82.

Ray received the total cost of \$225,000 to install the water line on Bishop Road; will look into grants or wait for businesses to pay for this project.

Ray made a motion to put a full page ad in the Ashtabula County Visitor's brochure at a cost of \$1,900; these monies will be taken from the permissive tax; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Ray made a motion to authorization Catherine Colgan, Assistant County Prosecutor, to copy Eddy Echert on emails and other correspondence regarding the merger of JEDD board's agreement; Cliff seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Ray heard from Tim Martin, Ashtabula County Engineer, that there will be a different approach to the repairs to the covered bridge instead of tearing it down and rebuilding.

Ray spoke with Brian, CT Consultants, and the JEDD III sewer project figures have not been finalized yet; he will ask Catherine Colgan, Ashtabula County Assistant Prosecutor, to do two debt agreements to allow the township to pay our half of the sewer loan payments.

Ray spoke with Roger Corlett, Ashtabula County Auditor, and because Spire will be making PILOT payments, he will delete the Spire valuation from the Township valuation spread sheet information that is used for tax levy funds.

Cliff spoke with Ron Valitsky about the disabled vehicle he has parked and left on township property; Ron told Cliff that the vehicle was sold and would be removed.

Jeff Lang complained about the Deer Leap sign being too bright; when the white letters appear on the sign it is blinding to drivers. Can the Trustees contact ODOT to find out if they have regulations on the amount of lumens a sign can display.

Jeff questioned if the construction company working at the Harpersfield dam will repair parking area after they complete working on the dam; Trustees said yes they would be responsible to make things as they were prior to construction.

Ed Spoor asked if the Trustees would contact the dumpster pick up company that empties the recycling bin at 5:30 AM and ask if they could do it later in the morning. Ray will contact company.

Meeting adjourned until December 28, 2018

James Pristov

Raymond Gruber Jr

Clifford Henry

Sharon Rohrbaugh