

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

Held on September 8, 2025

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened in regular session from 7:00 PM to 8:22 PM in the Administration Building. Edwin Spoor, Chairman, called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Edwin Spoor

James Pristov

Lisa Linehan

Mickey Mihalick

Employees: Larry Lister; Frank Henry

Visitors: Rich & Renee Hanyok, Angelo Tutolo, Mark & Debbie Mihalik, Gary Somnitz, Jeff Lang, Kim Gregory, Ed Pristov, Matt Rahija, Jonathon Ehrenfeld, Steve Sanders

Jim made motion to accept the minutes as written; Lisa seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Frank stated that last month there were 17 calls; 159 for the year. Truck 662 is getting transmission worked on at Countryside. The bill will be several thousand dollars to get fixed. Fire prevention coming up next month and it's their year to buy stuff for the kids. The cost will be \$600.00 to \$700.00. Jim said to pay out of Fire Levy Fund. Frank stated that work is pretty much done at Corkscrew Taphouse and Motel 6 is coming along.

Matt asked for internet on Station 2 on Cork Cold Springs. There is a state program for internet for Government services for \$49.00 a month. Currently we are paying 89.00. We can save \$40.00 if we switch and then pay an additional \$50.00 for service at Station 2. Jim made a motion for Matt to move forward on getting the service; Lisa seconded. Matt will get with Mickey to work on the government discount program to consolidate phone/internet bills.

Steve Sanders, CEO from Spire; along with Jonathon Ehrenfeld gave a presentation on the Community Park project. The recreational park will sit on Spire property; there will be a 15-year lease with the City of Geneva, per the community grant, which gives everyone in the community access to the park.

Jim made a motion to pass resolution 2025-4 (Safe Streets); Lisa seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor. Roll Call; Lisa yes, Jim yes, Ed yes.

Mickey received a CRA proposal agreement from Greg Myers with Growth Partnership for 50% 7-year exemption. The Trustees believe this property is in TIFF and that this proposal would not apply.

Lisa made a motion to pay the bills; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Mickey reported that the Cemetery grant for \$1,000 was awarded for leveling stones and footers.

Mickey presented resolution 2025-05 accepting 2nd half of property taxes. Jim made a motion to accept resolution; Lisa seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.

Lisa reported:

1. SPIRE meeting: Storage Pods: Dumpsters are arriving this week to dispose of unclaimed belongings. There may be a need for a couple storage containers to be used temporarily to hold anything of value that might be found during the clean out. Grounds crew is getting quotes to repair the trail around the pond, as well as a section in the back. Plans are in the works to create a concrete driveway across the trail where SPIRE plans to construct a building on the other side of the trail to house equipment during the winter. All the students have moved back into the dorms as of two weeks ago. Phran Park sketches – need to clarify designated parking
2. Logo?
3. Quote for township t-shirts from Aulternative Graphics – 10 shirts @\$22 each for one color screen print; \$29.50 for multiple color screen print. Jim made a motion to give Lisa authority to make decision on shirts; Ed seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.
4. Verdantas zoning grant meeting: everyone from the panel was present. Verdantas went over their audit. Harpersfield received much praise for how thorough our zoning text is – one of the better ones they see. Their suggestions consist of improving clarity and usability, as well as any concerns generated from the panel. Our next meeting is scheduled for November 5th at 6:30.
5. Complaint about Doherty's dumpsters at the roundabout – it should be screened

Old Business:

- A. Cody got quotes for installing LED lights at the old township building - \$750 for the six inside and 2 for each outside door. They will install. We can use NOPEC grant money to

fund. Lisa made a motion to purchase and install the lights; Jim Seconded; The Board voted unanimously in favor.

B. Ohio Conference on Travel @ The Lodge:

- a. Wine Tasting on Oct 2nd – 500 1oz plastic shot glasses for \$22; need about 12 - 18 bottles of wine. Lisa made a motion to purchase the glasses; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor.
- b. Maker's Night with 300 gifts: Calendar, Community Magazine, Gift Basket, small baskets of grapes – still waiting for final approval on grape giveaway. Should know by Wednesday afternoon.

Jim attended the fire meeting. Their golf outing was very successful.

Jim reported NAD had 36 calls in Harpersfield for August with a response time of 6.4 minutes and 240 calls for the year. Overall NAD had 2321 calls so far this year.

September 20th NAD is having an Open House from 2:00 to 5:00. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. There will be equipment demos as well as meet and greet with the staff.

Jim received a call from Mrs. Rockwell regarding lights out on Clay Street. The lights have been repaired.

Jim stated that the Jedd meeting will be September 17th at 1:00 at Geneva City.

The 2026 calendars will be in this Wednesday.

Ed reported that Jackie Spoor and Rhonda Baehr will be stepping down as Chair and Co-Chair of Share a Christmas. Cindy Redmond will be taking over as Chair this year. Everett and Julie Henry will no longer be doing the hygiene program.

Ed reported that ODOT is not changing/lowering the Route 84 speed limit at this time.

Ed reported that the water tower; South River Rd and Brant Rd water projects should be going out to bid within the next week to 2 weeks. There should be water to Debonne by November.

Debbie Mihalik congratulated the quick work on a zoning issue Larry is working on but questioned why their complaint is still dragging. Lisa commented that work is in progress with her complaint.

Angelo Tutolo asked if anything has been done about signage on 534 and State Rd. Jim said that he talked with Bill Strubbe and was told he was putting it on the list to the sign committee.

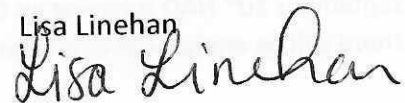
Lisa made a motion to go into executive session at 8:22; Jim seconded; the Board voted unanimously in favor. Roll call; Jim yes, Lisa yes, Ed yes. The Board voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 9:33.

Meeting adjourned until October 20, 2025.

Ed Spoor



Lisa Linehan



Jim Pristov



Mickey Mihalick

