

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP BOARD TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

Held: Township Civic Center

Date: February 21, 2024

Time: 7:30 pm

OPENING

The Harrison Township Board of Trustees met in regular session with Chairman, Thomas C. Losekamp, calling the meeting to order. Answering the roll call were: Kenneth W. Fohl, Larry E. Kinnett and Thomas C. Losekamp.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Kinnett made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2024 organizational and regular meeting. Mr. Fohl seconded the motion, roll call – all yeas.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Losekamp made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer's Financial Report, which includes the payment of the bills. Mr. Fohl seconded the motion, roll call – all yeas.

VISITORS

Jolene Winter from Brater-Winter Funeral home informed the board that funding for indigent burials from the State of Ohio has ended. There may be a new proposal for funding in the future.

Gail Chuck from Harrison Township proposed and encouraged the board to adopt green space development in the Township. She also proposed a meeting with the City of Harrison and the Township to discuss a green space development. She also was concerned about certain properties within the Township that have property maintenance issues.

Mike Ringel of Harrison Township read a letter from a resident of Harrison Township in regards to concerns of response time from the Hamilton County Sheriff Department. After some discussion the concern will be forwarded to the Sheriff's Department for further review.

Kim Sovern from the Harrison Recreation Commission presented a proposal to renovate the grounds at the Harrison Community Center. Under consideration included a splash pool, additional parking, basketball courts, restroom, ball fields, etc. The approximate cost for the improvements is 4.3 million dollars. Due to the project cost it was determined that the proposal will be completed in phases. Funding sources such as grants are being explored and will determine which phase will be cost effective. The commission is requesting some financial assistance from the Township.

POLICE REPORT

Sgt. Oliver Albert of the Hamilton County Sheriff's office reported that there were several incidents in Harrison Township. There was criminal damaging. Death investigation, telecommunications fraud and identity fraud. There was a total of 3 auto crashes. There were 129 calls for service in Harrison Township during this period. Deputies responded to 78 of those calls for service and logged out 51 calls for service due to Be on the Look Of, public services, EMS etc. The average response time to responded calls for service was 9 minutes, which is down 2 minutes from last month.

FIRE REPORT

Mr. Kinnett reported there were 13 fire runs and 56 EMS runs for a total of 69 runs in the Township for the month of January.

ZONING REPORT

No Report

NUISANCE REPORT

No Report

BUSINESS REPORT

Mr. Losekamp met with the Hamilton County Auditor to determine how much millage it would take to fund the proposed Sheriff Contract. It was determined that 4 mills would be needed. Different aspects of the proposal were discussed and will be reviewed at a later date.

CORRESPONDENCE

The owner of the Blue Note on Dry Fork Road is proposing to purchase property adjacent to theirs. Several questions and zoning issues must be addressed to determine the next steps.

A proposal from the First Suburbs Consortium of Southwest Ohio to join the organization was given to the board for consideration.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Mr. Kinnett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fohl seconded the motion, roll call - all yea. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Attest:

Thomas C. Losekamp, Chairman

Richard J. Dole, Fiscal Officer

Larry E. Kinnett

Kenneth W. Fohl