Hiram Township

Regular Meeting February 1, 2011

Present: Ms. Schulda, Mr. Pancost

Excussed: Mr. Bosma

Chairman Pancost opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the reading of the minutes of the January 18, 2011 meeting which were approved as read.

Mr. Brewer, Fiscal Officer, asked the Board to approve a supplemental budget amount of \$40,155.15, an amount of the NOPEC Grant. Ms. Schulda made a motion to approve of a supplemental budget appropriation of \$40,155.15. Mr. Pancost seconded the motion. Voice vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE.

Resolution # 2011-07 to approve of a supplemental budget appropriation in the amount of \$40,155.15 has passed.

Old Business – Ms. Schulda reminded the Board of the neighborhood watch program being put on by Portage County Sheriff, Mr. Dave Doak to be held at the Nelson Community Center on February 3, 2011 at 7 P.M. Ms. Schulda said a meeting on oil and gas well drilling will be held at Ravenna High School on February 7, 2011.

Mr. Pancost nominated Mr. Tom Franek to serve as an alternate on the zoning board of appeals for the year 2011. Ms. Schulda seconded the nomination. Roll call vote: Mr. Pancost AYE, Ms. Schulda AYE.

Resolution 3 2011-08 names Mr. Tom Franek to the Board of Zoning Appeals as an alternate for the year 2011.

New Business – Ms. Schulda has met with County officials to try to draft a bond policy for oil well rigs and equipment operating in the Township. A bond would be required to set up a drilling operation in the Township. Should there be damage to a Township Highway by drilling equipment or trucks servicing the well head there may be a way of having funds to repair the damage. Ms. Schulda asked if she should pursue this item. Mr. Pancost agreed that this is a good idea and asked her to go ahead and develop a bond policy for the Township.

Chairman Pancost recognized Fire Chief Bill Byers. Chief Byers said the new fire truck may be done this week and if it is it will be picked up and be at the fire station by Saturday. Chief Byers gave an oral safety forces report for the month of January.

Zoning Report – Mr. Garey checked on the Koscher property and said what he could see it appears the some work has been done to clean it up. Mr. Garey also contacted Mr. Dye to ask about some vehicles parked on his property. Mr. Dye said they were in running condition.

Roads Report – Mr. Matota reports that license checks were performed for all road crew members with the results being kept by the Fiscal Officer. Mr. Matota asked the Board to approve of the installation of electric outlets to power the garage doors. The Board agreed and asked him to schedule it to be done. Mr. Matota said the welder used by the crew needs to be reconditioned, estimated cost \$1500.00. This will be done by the manufacturer, Lincoln Electric. Mr. Matota said that we have used nearly all the salt already that we had anticipated to use for the entire winter season.

Chairman Pancost recognized Mr. Richard Masters, Hiram historian. Mr. Masters has secured new markers for Veteran grave sites as well as flags for them to be used at River Side Cemetery.

Ms. Schulda made a motion for an executive session to discuss appropriation of real estate at 7:50 P.M. Mr. Pancost seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE. The Board returned from executive session at 8:10 P.M.

Ms. Schulda made a motion to allow Mr. Al Schrader, Attorney at Law, to prepare a real estate bid for land that relates to recent appraisal information generated by the Township Board and present such bid to the land owners. Mr. Pancost seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE.

Resolution # 2011-09 allows for a real estate bid to be developed by Attorney for the Township, Mr. Al Schrader, and presented to the current land owner has passed.

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Ms. Schulda made a motion to pay the bills and adjourn. Mr. Pancost seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ms. Schulda AYE, Mr. Pancost AYE. The following bills were paid.

7022	wages	Matota	2270.18
7023	wages	Firtik	1416.18
7024	wages	Roosa	1121.76
7025	wages	Bello	1105.32
7026	salary	Bosma	500.00
7027	salary	Pancost	848.85

7028	salary	Schulda	848.85
7029	salary	Brewer	800.00
7030	salary	Garey	610.00
7031	real estate tax	Portage County Treasurer	62.51
7032	street lights	Ohio Edison	296.57
7033	electric use	Ohio Edison	123.66
7034	sirens	Ohio Edison	43.25
7035	check printing	Handley Printing	201.14
7036	long distance	Sprint	77.27
7037	tool	Airgas Inc.	247.00
7038	copier toner/maint.	Crosby_Mook	142.00
7039	W-2's	Escott Co.	125.00
7040	Ohio Tax	Treasurer Ohio	201.72
7041	gravel	O.K. Brugmann	72.93
7042	flag pole lighting	RCCA	250.00
7043	salt	Morton Salt Inc.	4434.49
7044	fuels	Hiram Village	882.61
7045	phones	Windstream	218.17
7046	life ins.	Anthem Life	300.60
7047	state tax	Treasurer Ohio	814.00
7048	parts	Ohio CAT	46.90

Total \$ 18,091.97