

HARRIS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: Saturday, May 17, 2025

Location: 321 Rice Street, Elmore

Time: 1:00 pm

In Attendance

Board Members:

Beverly Haar, Jerald Haar, DJ Greenhill II

Fiscal Officer, Laura Hazel

Employees/Visitors:

None

Chairman Beverly Haar opened the meeting at 1:09 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting, held Monday, May 5, 2025, were read by Chairman Bev Haar. Trustee J. Haar made a motion to accept the minutes, and Trustee Greenhill seconded the motion that the minutes be approved. **Motion carried.**

Finance

Trustees reviewed invoices, signed vouchers, reviewed and initialed payroll, and reviewed and signed purchase orders as applicable.

A motion was made by Greenhill and seconded by J. Haar that the attached list of billings be approved as the lawful obligations of Harris Township and that the Fiscal Officer be permitted to issue warrants in favor of the same. **Motion carried.**

Department Reports

Budget/Administrative – Fiscal Officer report (Laura Hazel)

- Vacation approved for Andy Rodriguez for 40 hours the week of June 8, 2025. Motion made by Greenhill; seconded by B. Haar. **Motion carried.**
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Zoning –Inspector's report (Paul Perry)

- No report

Cemetery – Sexton's report (Andy Rodriguez)

- Trustees reviewed pictures of 48 niche Columbarium placed by Mid-Ohio Cemetery Services LLC at Rivercliff Cemetery in Mount Gilead. All agreed for Rodriguez to come up with a plan for layout and design for proposed columbarium at Union Cemetery.
- Assistance requested for resident who wishes to ~~inter~~ disinter her husband's cremains. B. Haar to reach out to Prosecutor for guidance.

Roads – Superintendent's report (Cary Johnson)

- Johnson requested to work Monday, May 26, which is Memorial Day holiday, in trade for Friday, May 30, off as his paid holiday. Trustees approved with J. Haar making a motion to allow Johnson to take Friday May 30 as his paid holiday and B. Haar seconding the motion. **Motion carried.**

EMS – Assistant Chief's report (Mike McGinnis)

- No report

Building & Grounds – Maintenance report (Wilburn)

- No report

Open Issues

- TRQ pending for advisory opinion from county engineer on non-maintained status of Weis (east)/Mudd Rd. Fiscal Officer has posted notice of upcoming public meetings for public comment and discussion on May 17, June 2, and June 16.

Executive Session

- Trustee B. Haar moved to enter into executive session at 1:38 pm to discuss the purchase of property. Trustee Greenhill seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the vote was: B. Haar, yes; Greenhill, yes; J. Haar, yes. **Motion carried.**

At 2:16 pm, Trustee B. Haar moved to adjourn executive session; Trustee Greenhill seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the vote was: B. Haar, yes; Greenhill, yes; J. Haar, yes. **Motion carried.** No action was taken.

New Business

- Beverly Haar introduced the following resolution and moved for its passage:

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT BOND COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED BOND ISSUE

WHEREAS, Harris Township, Ottawa County, Ohio is considering issuing general obligation, limited tax bonds to fund the purchase of a building for its road and cemetery departments, under the authority of the general laws of the State of Ohio, and in particular Revised Code Section 505.262 thereof, (the “Bonds”); and

WHEREAS, the law firm of Bricker Graydon, LLP, is experienced in serving as bond counsel on financings of this type;

NO, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees of the Township of Harris, Ottawa County, Ohio, that:

Section 1 – The firm of Bricker Graydon, LLP, is hereby approved to serve as bond hereby authorizes and directs the Fiscal Officer to execute on behalf of the Board any additional items as may be appropriate or necessary to evidence such bond counsel relationship,

Section 2 – It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of the Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Revised Code Section 121.22.

Mr. Jerry Haar seconded the motion and, after discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the results were:

Ayes: Jerry Haar, Beverly Haar

Nays: -none-

DJ Greenhill abstained.

The Resolution passed, May 17, 2025.

Attested to by Laura J. Hazel, Fiscal Officer

- Rodriguez relayed comments from village residents questioning why the Township junk day can't be used by them in addition to the Village junk day, as Village residents pay taxes to both the Village and the Township. He would like guidance in how to respond to these types of questions. Upon further researching, the Village currently pays for a “Solid Waste” levy that is set to expire soon, with talk of not renewing. This provides Village residents with curbside pickup and monthly junk day dumpster, at an average cost of \$106/year. Township tax collections for the general

fund average \$40/year per household, of which junk collection is only a small part. More review on future junk collections needs to be done in anticipation of the Village changing their services to residents.

Announcements, Communications, Other

- Yeasting Road closing notification received from Ottawa County Engineers office dated May 8:
Monday, May 12 through Friday, May 16, 2025,
which was later updated on May 14 to closure from
Monday, May 19 through Friday, May 23, 2025.
- Ottawa County Engineer's approved driveway permit #25-053 for 15850 W Yeasting Rd.

Next Meeting

Regular Meeting, Monday, June 2, 2025 | 7:30 pm, Harris Township Fire Station

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by B. Haar and seconded by Greenhill. Chairman B. Haar declared the meeting duly adjourned at 2:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Haar, Chairman

Laura Hazel, Fiscal Officer

Attached: Expenditure listing

Number	Date	Total Warrant Amount	Purpose	Payee
376-2025	5/15/25	\$1,583.49	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Cary L Johnson
377-2025	5/15/25	\$755.55	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	MICHAEL PROBST
378-2025	5/15/25	\$1,240.13	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Andres F Rodriguez
378-2025	5/15/25	\$1,240.13	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Andres F Rodriguez
380-2025	5/15/25	\$2,160.38	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Jonah I Babcock
381-2025	5/15/25	\$197.46	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Hannah M Culler
382-2025	5/15/25	\$2,276.86	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Alexander M Fertig
383-2025	5/15/25	\$877.10	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Kimberly N Fertig
384-2025	5/15/25	\$399.32	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Elizabeth A France
385-2025	5/15/25	\$101.89	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Amanda R. McGinnis
386-2025	5/15/25	\$433.94	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Carl J Popielarczyk
387-2025	5/15/25	\$865.68	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Michelle R Reynolds
388-2025	5/15/25	\$778.82	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Brian Richards Jr.
389-2025	5/15/25	\$515.63	BIWEEKLY HOURLY 4/27-5/10/25	Nicholas E Zimmerman
391-2025	5/15/25	\$1,886.89	Federal withholding/employer match	United States Treasury
392-2025	4/3/25	\$194.65	fees Dec/Mar	OPERS
393-2025	4/24/25	\$186.60	Phones/Fax/Wifi 4/24-5/23	Amplex
394-2025	5/12/25	\$593.79	natural gas April	COLUMBIA GAS
395-2025	4/30/25	\$45.20	fees Feb/Apr	OPERS
396-2025	5/17/25	\$305.33	EMS wireless hook ups for EMS squads, cell phones, iPads for fire & EMS	Verizon Wireless
397-2025	5/17/25	\$150.46	EMS wireless hook ups for EMS squads	Verizon Wireless
398-2025	4/21/25	\$127.85	fees	OPERS
32228	5/17/25	\$1,279.25	EMS supplies: S/O 106020352	BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC.
32229	5/17/25	\$625.00	Training: Investigation/Murray, Inspector	Bowling Green State University
32230	5/17/25	\$866.78	Contract ambulance billing & credit card fees	GREAT LAKES BILLING ASSOCIATES, INC.
32231	5/17/25	\$208.62	Filters, Air & Fuel	Gladieux Do-It-Best Home Center
32232	5/17/25	\$16.00	shipping	Howell Rescue Systems
32233	5/17/25	\$434.34	toiletries: bath tissue, roll towels	Imperial Dade
32234	5/17/25	\$573.50	RpL: hyd hose	KALIDA TRUCK EQUIPMENT
32235	5/17/25	\$894.53	road salt	Morton Salt, Inc.
32236	5/17/25	\$150.00	FF Dependent Fund premium	TREASURER STATE OF OHIO
32237	5/17/25	\$2,638.13	442 Pump packing, LOF	W. W. Williams
32238	5/17/25	\$1,427.50	Email, M365, Proofpoint monthly service SEPT24-FEB25, Mar proofpoint, consulting	Link Computer Corporation
32239	5/17/25	\$1,781.78	EMS supplies	BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC.
32240	5/17/25	\$1,000.00	Community Labor Day Fireworks 2025	Entertain Elmore, LLC
32241	5/17/25	\$922.76	Fuel/gas April	GPM Investments, LLC
32242	5/17/25	\$601.00	Rpr Furnace: control board, gas valve	Harvey's Mechanical Service
32243	5/17/25	\$26.67	EMS medications	Bon Secours Mercy Health Inc
32244	5/17/25	\$249.34	supplies for road work	Moriarty Machinery & Supply Inc.
32245	5/17/25	\$3,426.00	CaseReview subscription 3YR 4/19/25-4/18/28	ZOLL Medical Corporation
32246	5/17/25	\$227.65	EMS medications	Bon Secours Mercy Health Inc
32247	5/17/25	\$24.72	EMS supplies: S/O 106090136 & 106090144	BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC.
32248	5/17/25	\$400.00	Rpr/Paint left rear corner squad	D&D Specialties LLC
32249	5/17/25	\$900.00	junk hauling APR	Elliott Scrapping LLC
32250	5/17/25	\$847.85	EMS billing services APR	GREAT LAKES BILLING ASSOCIATES, INC.
32251	5/17/25	\$217.50	Email, M365, Proofpoint monthly service	Link Computer Corporation
32252	5/17/25	\$331.90	fuel	LUCKEY FARMERS, INC.
32253	5/17/25	\$221.41	Medical Oxygen	O.E. MEYER CO.
32254	5/17/25	\$265.00	2025 OTA membership	OTTAWA COUNTY TOWNSHIP ASSOC.
32255	5/17/25	\$450.00	RPL siding N end of cem bldg	Scott Jones
32256	5/17/25	\$38.97	civil defense siren electricity	TOLEDO EDISON
32257	5/17/25	\$197.00	JD6415 Tire 10x16	Tri County Tire
32258	5/17/25	\$625.36	landfill fees April	Wood County Landfill
		\$38,785.71		