

MINUTES OF THE HOWLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Howland Township Board of Trustees held their Regular meeting on August 25, 2010 at 4 PM at the Howland Township Administration Building, 205 Niles-Cortland Road N.E, Warren, Ohio.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - Present
Sally B Wehmer - Present
Matthew G Vansuch- Present

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PUBLIC HEARING (immediately following regular meeting): Purpose of the hearing is to find facts and hear arguments for and against the demolition of structures (listed below) declared "unfit for human habitation" by the Trumbull County Health Dept. and are targeted for demolition under the Trumbull County Development Block Grant Neighborhood Stabilization Program

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to excuse Fiscal Officer Samuel Delaquila for personal reasons.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to suspend the reading of the August 11, 2010 minutes and accept as written.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to authorize the Fiscal Officer to pay all outstanding invoices incurred and approve all warrants issued.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Sally Wehmer and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on **Resolution 2010-93**

Approve to enter into a contract between Howland Local Schools and the Howland Township Trustees for the purpose of providing a Howland Township Police Officer to serve as a School Resource Officer for the period August 30, 2010 until June 8, 2011 and Howland Local Schools agree to pay \$31,283.00 towards the cost of an officer and \$814.00 towards equipment.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to vote on
Resolution 2010-94

Approve and accept the "Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor" for the next fiscal year commencing January 1, 2011.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Sally Wehmer and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on
Resolution 2010-95

Approve to purchase Health, Dental and Life insurance for all full-time employees with Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield for the period September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011. This includes a Comprehensive Employee Wellness Incentive Program, promoting positive outcome in overall employee health and cost reduction (see attached).

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Sally Wehmer and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on
Resolution 2010-96

Authorize Fiscal Officer Samuel Delaquila Sr. transfer the following monies within the General Fund 1:

01-A-27 (Transfers) to 01-A-11A (Community Activities)	\$2,500.00
01-A-25 (Contingency Acct) to 01-M-03(Contract-Paving)	\$800,000.00
01-A-25 (Contingency Acct) to 01-A-06 (Insurance)	\$70,000.00
01-A-25 (Contingency Acct) to 01-A-26 (Other)	\$40,000.00

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to vote on
Resolution 2010-97

Per the recommendation of Administrator Darlene St. George, approve to renew the contract with Community Solutions Association for the period August 1, 2010 to July 31, 2011 at an annual cost of \$1,800.00 Community Solutions will provide a "Comprehensive Employee Assistance Program" for Township employees.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Sally Wehmer and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on
Resolution 2010-98

WHEREAS, the following list of properties have been cited during the month of August, 2010 in violation of the Howland Township Zoning Ordinance Section 8, A-8; Howland Township Resolution 2003-58 (Abatement, Control or Removal of Vegetation), and Howland Township Resolution 2002-93 (Establish Fines) where the yards have not been maintained; and

WHEREAS, Howland Township have received complaints from neighbors of said properties that the condition poses a safety and health threat to the neighborhood where the high grass promotes excessive breeding of mosquitoes, other insects, snakes, rodents and excessive pollen. The unsightly appearance of the properties is detrimental to the aesthetic value of the neighborhood and would cause a depreciation of property values; and

WHEREAS, the Howland Township Zoning Office has not heard from any of the property owners, by telephone or mail.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

Howland Township declares and finds the following properties to be a nuisance.

<u>Address</u>	<u>Parcel ID</u>
908 Niles-Cortland Rd NE	28-036325
700 Niles-Cortland Rd NE	28-409070
2287 Fairgreen Dr NE	28-077851
682 Clifton Drive NE	28-365900
646 Clifton Drive NE	28-339160

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to vote on **Resolution 2010-99**

Per the recommendation of Police Chief Paul Monroe, approve to purchase through the State Cooperative Purchasing Program from Taylor Chevrolet, Inc., a 2010 Police Chevy Impala at a cost of \$21,000.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

The following reports were received from Trustees, Administrator, Department Heads and public comments:

School Resource Officer: All students and faculty love Eric Bowker.

Trustee Vansuch: School and football season starting. Need to beware of the children in school zones.

Trustee Clark: Cablevision has a Hot Line to help anyone who has a problem. You can call or e-mail your complaint. There is information in the lobby.

Effective November 1, 2010 the Township will be offering natural gas at a rate of \$6.25 and \$6.11 for seniors (over 65). Residents who already in the Direct Energy plan with Howland Township will automatically receive this price. If you are in another plan or the Trumbull County Plan, you must call to receive rate. Information will be mailed to all residents.

Fire Chief Brown: Last fireworks will be display for the Scrappers will be September 3rd. We covered the Band night at Howland and our EMS will be available at all football games. This is gratis to the schools. We will have our open house on October 16th from 11 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Police Chief Monroe: Thank the Fire Dept for the training on the removal of metal base.

Public Works Director McCann: Starting skim patch in September. Large list.

Resident Earl Thomas: Thank the Public Works Dept for cleaning up the Allenwood/ Brookwood area. There is high grass and Essential Earth on East Markets St. just east of Rt. 46 on the left.

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to adjourn at 4:20 P.M. the regular meeting and recess into a Public Hearing to hear arguments and find facts for and against the demolition of structures (listed below) declared "unfit for human habitation" by the Trumbull County Health Dept. and are targeted for demolition under the Trumbull County Development Block Grant Neighborhood Stabilization Program for the following properties:

987 North River Road	Parcel ID 28-212300
2957 Niles Road S.E. (rear structure)	Parcel ID 28-573212
2805 Perkins Jones Road	Parcel ID 28-196900

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

Public Hearing minutes (attached in their entirety):

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to pass Resolution 2010-100 (attached in its entirety) at the Public Hearing to hear arguments and find facts for and against the demolition of structures (listed below) declared "unfit for human habitation" by the Trumbull County Health Dept. and are targeted for demolition under the Trumbull County Development Block Grant Neighborhood Stabilization Program for the following properties:


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Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to adjourn the Public Hearing at 4:55 P.M.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark - yea
Sally B Wehmer - yea
Matthew G Vansuch - yea

Approved by:  Dated: 8/26/10
Vivian McDowell, Financial Office

Approved by:  Dated: 8/30/10
Rick Clark, Chairperson