MINUTES OF THE HOWLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Howland Township Board of Trustees held their Regular meeting on May 11, 2011 at 6 P.M. at the Morgandale Fire Station, 2180 Wilson Ave., Howland Township, Ohio

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark - Present

Sally B Wehmer – Present Matthew G Vansuch- Present

A motion was made by Sally Wehmer and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to suspend the reading of the April 27, 2011 minutes and accept as written.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – yea Sally B Wehmer - yea Matthew G Vansuch - yea

A motion was made Sally Wehmer and seconded by Matthew Vansuch 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 Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Sally Wehmer to vote on **Resolution 2011-55A**

Per the recommendation Administrator Darlene St. George and Fire Chief George Brown, accept the bid for Thermal Imager from:

Finley Fire Equipment

\$7,940.00

Other Bid Received:

Fire Force, Inc.

\$8,685.00

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 2011-56**

Per the recommendation Administrator Darlene St. George and Fire Chief George Brown, accept the bid for Self Contained Breathing Apparatus from:

Finley Fire Equipment \$65,814.20

Other Bid Received:

Warren Fire Equipment \$68,025.00

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 2011-57

Per the recommendation of Administrator Darlene St. George, approve to hire Scott Heinemann as a seasonal employee at an hourly rate of \$8.00, with no benefits. Scott Heinemann will be scheduled on an "as needed basis".

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 2011-58**

WHEREAS, the following list of properties have been cited during the month of May 2011 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 has 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, THEREFORE, BE IT RELSOLVED that:

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

Address	Parcel ID
546 Greenleaf	28-378400
1156 Roseway	28-378300
1092 Roseway	28-522100
8595 Carriage Hill	28-581240
1350 Patchen	28-126230
1380 Patchen	28-508300
4007 Ravenwood	28-443310
698 Clifton Ave.	28-171670
2446 North Road	28-456037
1413 Westover	28-377950
560 North Rd. NE	28-003562
2175 Reeves Rd.	28-600485
8533 East Market	28-198250
4027 Jeanette	28-575520

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – yea Sally B Wehmer - yea Matthew G Vansuch - yea

Summary of Meeting:

Trustee Clark: Township received award from Workers Comp for having no accidents in 2010.

We are currently researching costs with Lyden Oil to see if we can receive a better rate for gas and diesel fuel for Township vehicles.

Kim Mascarella – Zoning & Planning Director: 11 current demolitions in Morgandale area. Farmers Market – start 2 weeks earlier this year – June through Saturday – every Saturday.

Paul Monroe – Police Chief: We have increased traffic patrols. More visible to let High School students know that we are out there.

David McCann – Public Works Director – Finishing up Limb & Branch pick-up. Main roads (Rt. 46, King Graves, North Road, etc) are now being picked up. Mowing and cleaning up cemetery for Memorial Day.

Resident – Sal Ciferno: Questioned the ownership of house located at 2126 Ewalt. House has been vacant for 5 years. Mascarella stated that she would look into ownership.

A motion was made by Sally Wehmer and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to adjourn the Regular

Meeting at 6:32 P.M.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark - yea Sally B Wehmer - yea Matthew G Vansuch - yea

Approved by:

Fiscal Officer Robert Costello

Approved by:

Rick Clark, Chairperson

Dated: **5**/17/1/