

MINUTES OF THE HOWLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Howland Township Board of Trustees held their Regular meeting on April 13, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at Howland Township Administration Building, 205 Niles-Cortland Rd. N.E., Howland Township, Ohio

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark – Present
Dr James Lapolla – Present
Matthew G Vansuch- Present

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A motion was made by Dr. James Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to suspend the reading of March 23, 2016 minutes and accept as written.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla – yea
Matthew G Vansuch –yea

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

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla - yea
Matthew G Vansuch – yea

A motion was made by Dr. James Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2016-26

Authorize the following transfers by the Fiscal Officer within the General Fund 1:

01-A-27 (Transfers) to 01-J-03 (Zoning – Other Expenses)
01-A-27 (Transfers) to 01-J-05A (Zoning Engineering Fees)

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla – yea
Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Dr. James Lapolla to vote on Resolution 2016-27

Approve the payment to AECOM(URS), Invoice 37725070, dated March 28, 2016 and received April 4, 2016 for the amount of \$3,042.03.

Roll Call: Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla – yea
Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2016-28

Authorize the Fiscal Officer to advertise the following Fire Department item for sale on LightGov:

Fourteen (14) Acer Travelmate 2480 Laptops with power cords. Manufactured with Windows XP Professional with one (1) Acer Travelmate 2480 Laptop with power cord that does not work. Starting bid is \$350.00 and sold as is.

Roll Call:
Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla – yea
Matthew G Vansuch – yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Dr. James Lapolla to vote on Resolution 2016-29

Approve the resignation of the following Fire EMS/Fire Training Instructions, effective April 13, 2016.

Dennis Johnson	Russell Moser	Joe Deuble	
Larry Manaro	Dan Suttles	Roman Swerdan	Rick Yauger

Roll Call:
Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla – yea
Matthew G Vansuch – yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Dr. James Lapolla to recess into Executive Session at 6:35 P.M. for the purpose of discussing the appointment of personnel.

Roll Call:
Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla – yea
Matthew G Vansuch – yea

The Board of Trustees of Howland Township returned from Executive Session at 6:55 P.M. with the following resolution being passed.

Trustee Vansuch: I had been questioned if we were going to conduct a nationwide search. I was here when we hired Fire Chief Jim Pantalone and had a nationwide search. We were in a different situation and at that time with different issues in the department. I do not believe there are any issues in the police department. We have always known there was a possibility that Chief Monroe would be successful in this campaign. We have seen Asst. Chief Roberts in the last year take control and stepped up when asked to do so. I think it is a testament to our employees that we are able to promote within. Chief Pantalone is a perfect example and I think

Asst. Chief Roberts will do the same.

Trustee Clark: I concur. This was a unanimous decision. I felt Nick is the logical person to fill the spot. He has been a great Asst. Chief and he is well qualified. We always had a history of promoting from within. It is good for morale and makes common sense.

Trustee Clark shared a letter they received.

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Dr. James Lapolla to pass Resolution 2016-30:

The Board of Trustees established it is their intention to designate Asst. Police Chief Nick Roberts as the successor for Police Chief Paul Monroe if he resigns as Howland Township Police Chief to become the Trumbull County Sheriff.

Roll Call:
Rick G. Clark – yea
Dr. James J Lapolla – yea
Matthew G Vansuch – yea

A motion was made by Matthew Vansuch and seconded by Dr. James Lapolla to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 P.M.

Summary of Meeting:

Trustee Vansuch: Attended grand openings at Gander Mountain and Milania's Closet in the former Cord Camera building. Was not able to attend Scorchers.

Trustee Lapolla: Health & Wellness Committee are in the process of finalizing their summer agenda.

Feel that we need have a Township newsletter. A reduced size, front and back page. Feels it would be vital to residents who do not get the Tribune or have computers.

Trustee Clark: Community garage sale will be May 19th to May 21st and residents can sign up in the lobby of the Administration Building.

Next meeting the Trustees will meet with Mr. Migliozi of the Trumbull County Health Board to discuss mosquito spraying in Howland Township, along with standing water and prevention measures.

Dan Dickton from the Youngstown Regional Airport spoke about the new air service to Chicago which will begin June 1st.

Met with the Trumbull County Commissioners at the Recycling Center located on North River

Road. Will work with the County and Geauga-Trumbull County Solid Waste to try to keep the facility open. The manager would like to retire and the facility is not financially feasible for him.

Trustee Vansuch: Need to address the Leaf Pick-Up Program. Do not want to wait until summer and scramble to try and find money for this service. Need to find other options.

Administrator Darlene St. George: The Golden Triangle project is moving forward. Met with Wheatland Tube to discuss putting in an access road for truck traffic on Dietz Road. Flex Strut is expanding their business and needs water. Looking at running water down Mill St and putting in a fire hydrant. On the corner of Larchmont and North River Road Fastenal is constructing a building. Old companies are expanding and new companies are moving in.

Fire Chief James Pantalone: Received a grant to purchase 76 bike helmets for \$2,500. On May 14th, from 10 AM to 2 PM, at the Howland Township Park we will sponsor a bike safety rodeo, and pass out helmets.

Safety Town will be held from June 6th to the 10th.

Public Works Director David McCann: Working on spring and summer operations. Doing sidewalk repairs on East Market Street. Some areas have heaved up and present a walking hazard. Limb & Branch Pick-Up will begin on the Eastside, Monday, April 18th.

Zoning Director Kim Mascarella: Aldi's will be replacing their facade and also adding 3,500 square feet of retail space. Stonebridge Bar & Grill has broken ground on the corner of Kenyon and Rt. 46. It is a casual dining restaurant and will be approximately 7,300 square feet. Mercy Health is planning a 50,000 square feet expansion. It is in the final review stages and plans to open in spring of next year

Resident Randy Ash, 355 Amber Drive: There was a study a few years ago on the corner of Mines Road and State Route 46. It was a study to have a dedicated left hand turn lane going in both directions across State Route 46. Many new businesses are located there and the traffic has increased. There are times that you have to sit through 3 traffic signals to get through the intersection. Is the Township able to do anything.

Trustee Clark: The Trustees will research this matter and get back with you on the status of the study.

Resident Randy Ash: In our development there was a large sink hole that was filled in. Will it stay filled.

Public Works Director McCann: It was repaired by us and we found a slight separation in the pipes. We repaired the pipes and will continue to watch it, and probably pave the area in June.

Approved by: Robert Costello Dated: 4/14/16
Robert Costello, Fiscal Officer

Approved by: Rick G. Clark Dated: 4/14/16
Rick G. Clark, Chairperson