

MINUTES OF THE HOWLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Howland Township Board of Trustees held their Regular meeting on July 13, 2016 at 5:00 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

A motion was made by Dr. James Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to suspend the reading of June 8, 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 2016-56

Approve the distribution of the Bureau of Workers Compensation Surplus check for the amount of \$61,213 to the General, Fire, Police and Road department funds based on the 2012 percentage of liability for the premium.

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 2016-57

Authorize the Fiscal Officer to advertise the following Police vehicles on LightGov Auction, and minimum bid will be \$4,000.

2008 Chevy Impala Estimated mileage – 97,000 Serial #2G1WS553081349706
2008 Chevy Impala Estimated mileage - 87,000 Serial #2G1WS553781350366

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 2016-58

WHEREAS, the following list of properties have been cited during the month of June, 2016 in violation of the Howland Township Zoning Ordinance Section 8, A-8 Howland Township Resolution 2003-58 (Abate, Control or Removal of Vegetation, Garbage, Refuse or Other Debris), 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 interferes with the reasonable enjoyment or use of property, and high grass and/or garbage, refuse or debris poses a safety and health threat to the neighborhood. 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 Planning and Zoning Office has not heard from any of the property owners, by telephone or mail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Howland Township declares and finds the following properties to be a nuisance.

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>PARCEL ID</u>
2767 Bolin Ave.	28-035170
3781 Boston	28-071530
371 Clifton Dr.	28-292700
1213 Deforest Road	28-121400
3620 Demura Dr.	28-493365
2206 Elm Road	28-481401
3916 Fairlawn Hts.	28-018400
4006 Fairlawn Hts.	28-090970
361 Henn Hyde Road	28-327675
2033 Stillwagon Road	28-404951
2058 Weir Road	28-164874
459 Willow Dr. S.E.	28-006400

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 2016-59

Per the recommendation of Administrator Darlene St. George and Fire Chief James Pantalone approve to hire James Sapp as Assistant Director for the Howland Training Center, effective July 5, 2016 . Mr. Sapp will earn \$1,250 semi-monthly (\$30,000/year) and will be scheduled part-time, on an "as needed basis" with no benefits.

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 2016-60

Per the recommendation of Administrator Darlene St. George and Fire Chief James Pantalone, approve to hire the following as Part-Time Firefighter/EMT's.

Danko, Joseph Ferenac, Sonjia Moody, Benjamin
Stelk, Shane

The above employees will receive \$12.39 per hour, and will be scheduled on an "as needed basis" with no benefits.

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 2016-61

Authorize the Fiscal Officer to request advances from the Trumbull County Auditor for the 2nd Half Real Property Tax settlement.

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 2016-62

Approve the Agreement between the Howland Volunteer Fire Department and Howland Township Trustees to provide volunteer fire protection and emergency medical services for the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. During the term of this agreement, the Township shall pay one dollar (\$1.00) to the Howland Volunteer Fire Department.

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 2016-63

Authorize the Fiscal Officer to transfer the following monies within the following funds:

GENERAL FUND 1:
01-A-27 (Transfers) to 01-J-05A (Zoning Permit Engineering Fees) \$10,000

POLICE FUND 9:
09-A-13 (Training) to 09-A-02A (Employer Reserve Retirement) \$ 7,647

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

PUBLIC HEARING – Alternative Tax Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 (minutes attached)

A motion was made by Dr. James Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2016-64

Per the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Robert Costello and Administrator Darlene St. George, approve the Alternative Tax Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 and recommend for consideration to the Trumbull County Budget Commission

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 7:00 P.M.

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

Summary of Meeting:

Trustee Vansuch: Thanked Fire Chief James Pantalone and his outside business “Pantalone Towing”, Dr. James Lapolla and Leo’s Restaurante, for sponsoring the t-shirts for the summer

recreation program. The Township had cutbacks this year and the t-shirts were not part of the expenditures. The Trustees do appreciate their donation.

Administrator Darlene St. George: Wanted to publicly thank all the department heads for doing a great job on July 4th celebration and Trey Bryarly who put the July 4th celebration together.

Public Works Director David McCann: During the last month got the streets ready for the July 4th activities. Have had several areas in the Township that had storm damage. Picked up limb and branches. Also, making catch basin repairs. This week starting our crack and seal program.

Zoning Director Mascarella: The "Safe Routes to School" has been completed. Applied for the grant in 2013 and the improvements are on East Market Street, Brewster and Willow Drive. The grant was to make the area around Howland Middle School safer for pedestrian traffic and the children if they want to walk to school. The value of the federally funded program was \$400,000.

Farmers Market is going well. At the last market there were 28 vendors. The Township is starting a satellite farmers market once a month in the Bolindale neighborhood. It will be on July 21st from 3 PM to 6 PM at the Bolindale Park behind the fire station. This will continue in August, September and October, every third Thursday of the month

Administrator Darlene St. George: Want to thank publicly Bob Meinke from Creekside Gardens for the landscaping around the Howland signs at Routes 46 and 82. He donated all the plants and him time to improve the site.

Also, would like to thank the Public Works Dept. for installing an automatic watering system that will water the plants twice a day.

Audience – St. Mary and St. John, the Beloved Monastery at 8640 Squires Lane: The following residents voiced their concerns over a decision by the Township Zoning Appeals Board to allow a local the Monastery to construct a bell tower and mausoleum on the property. A variance was approved for St. Mary and St. John, the Beloved Monastery to build a 24,238 square foot church topped with a five-story bell tower and a 500 square feet mausoleum. Some concerns expressed included the height of the building, drainage of water into neighboring properties and lower property values.

Residents who spoke: Sharon Sibera, 747 Old Wagon Trail
Susan Deleo – 8675 Forest Hill
Evelyn Brant – 3731 Ravenwood
Ben Backman – 8560 Squirrel Hill

Tape of meeting is included in the minutes book for

Approved by: Robert Costello Dated: 7/24/16
Robert Costello, Fiscal Officer

Approved by: Rick G. Clark Dated: 7/14/16
Rick G. Clark, Chairperson