

MINUTES OF THE HOWLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Howland Township Board of Trustees held their Regular meeting on September 26, 2017 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

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A motion was made by Dr. James Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to suspend the reading of September 12, 2017 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 2017-110:

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

Road Fund 4:	
04-D-01 (Advances Out) to 04-A-15 (Auditor & Treasurer Fees)	\$ 6,500
04-D-01 (Advances Out) to 04-A-15A (Delinquent Real Estate Fees)	\$ 550
04-D-01 (Advances Out) to 04-B-02 (Material)	\$17,000
Gasoline Tax 3:	
03-A-04 (Tools & Equip) to 03-B-02 (Materials)	\$30,000
General Fund 1:	
01-A-27 (Transfers) to 01-A-15 (Workers Comp)	\$ 500

**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 2017-111

Authorize the Fiscal Officer to advertise for bids for "Automated Safety Enforcement Program" for the Howland Township Police Department. Bids will be opened on October 17, 2017 at 12 noon.

**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 a to vote on Resolution 2017-112

Accept the resignation of EMS/Fire Instructor Stephen Kisak, effective September 18, 2017.

**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 2017-113

WHEREAS, the following list of properties have been cited during the month of September, 2017 in violation of the Howland Township Zoning Ordinance Section 8, A-8, Howland Township Resolution 2003-58 (Abatement, 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 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>
3503 Birchwood	28-094550
2206 Elm Road	28-481401
1190 Niles-Cortland Rd SE	28-305500
459 Willow SE	28-006400
3945 Boston Ave.	28-501900
3570 Hightree	28-385100
1008 North Road SE	28-130200

**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 5:30 P.M.

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

Summary of Meeting:

Trustee Lapolla: Would like to acknowledge that the Howland Rotary, Howland High School Interact Club and the Howland Wellness Committee met this past Sunday to do the community park clean-up project.

Our Eagle Scout started his project last Sunday of marking on East Market St. and North River Road the mile markings.

Administrator St. George: The newsletter has been printed and will be mailed out to tall residents next week.

Trustee Clark: The Township will be paying \$33 per ton for salt this year which is outstanding. That has to be the lowest price we have paid for salt.

Fire Chief Pantalone: After the last storm, we identified 3 of the 9 sirens in the Township were not functioning. To date two of the three have been repaired and the third one should be repaired within a week.

Police Chief Roberts: Received a complaint from a resident that they received a call from a person saying they were from the Township, and the caller wanted to know if she would like to get a lower interest rate on her credit card and asked for her card number. The resident immediately called back the number and got the Fire Department. If anyone gets a call from the Township requesting information, know that it is a hoax and never give out credit card information over the phone.

Public Works Director McCann: Started skim paving last week, and will continue throughout the Township the next several weeks. Shelly & Sands will start the 2017 Road Paving Program next week.

Limb and Branch has been set for October 23<sup>rd</sup> to November 3<sup>rd</sup> on the east side and November 6<sup>th</sup> to November 17<sup>th</sup> on the west side.

Zoning Administrator Ross: The Lidl Grocery Store will be starting which will be a \$4 million project. All variances were granted.

Comprehensive Community Plan was presented by Trustee Vansuch and Lapolla.

Approved by: *Robert Costello* Dated: 9/27/17  
Robert Costello, Fiscal Officer

Approved by: *Rick Clark* Dated: 9/28/17  
Rick Clark, Chairperson