

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARRISON TOWNSHIP
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF MEETING JUNE 20, 2011

The Harrison Township Trustees met in special session on June 20, 2011 at the Township Administration Building. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the new township hall and any other business that comes before the board. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Larry Kretzmann and he led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Fiscal Officer called the roll, and the following members and guests were present:

Chairman	Larry Kretzmann
Trustee	Mark Van Buren
Trustee	Eric Smith
Fiscal Officer	Carolyn Elder
Road Supt.	Ben Patterson
Zoning Inspector	Tom Frederick
Guest	Frank Shortridge
Guest	Carel & Bonnie Ellinger
Guest	Tony Sharp, 77 Millstone Circle
Guest	Greg Cotterman & Laura Hunt, JBA Architects
Guest	Bud Bethel, 21 Gristmill Court
Guest	Frank Davis, 6579 Jacksontown Road
Guest	Ronald & Ruthie Wallenburg, 20 Gristmill Court

From the floor – Greg Cotterman, JBA Architects

Mr. Cotterman reviewed the Contract between the owner, the Harrison Township Trustees, and the Contractor, Kel-Par Company, Inc. for a New 3079 SF Harrison Township Community Hall.

Cost review:	Base Bid	\$505,920.00	
	A1 Bid	\$26,104.00	Metal Roof option
	A2 Bid	\$21,205.00	Full Brick option
Kel-Par Co., Inc. total bid		\$553,229.00	
JBA Architect fee:		\$38,726.00	

Discussion took place. Trustee Mark Van Buren expressed the following concerns. *A list of concerns was presented by Mark Van Buren to the Fiscal Officer for inclusion in minutes.*

1. *The voters of the township were told by Larry Kretzmann the cost will be \$400,000.00. There was a press release sent out on Harrison township letter head stating this with all three trustees' names on it stating the \$400,000.00. The cost is higher and could be as much as half higher. By voting to spend more than \$400,000.00 the Board of Trustees is doing nothing but lying*

2. *The only time the majority of the residents visit the township complex is to vote. This building does not address this issue.*
3. *Harrison Township is one of the highest taxed townships in Licking County. If there are extra funds to build an office than both road levies are not needed.*
4. *Any extra funds could be better spent on public safety.*
5. *Cost savings could have been realized by placing the building inside the fence. Image is not a good reason to spend public funds when the same outcome could have been accomplished at a lower cost. By placing the building inside the fence the public could park in one lot and visit both the zoning and street departments without having to drive.*
6. *There have never been any true elevation drawings to show how the building will sit.*
7. *There was no effort to apply for grants.*
8. *The cost has continued to increase since the hiring of the architect.*
9. *The total true cost of the building is not calculated.*
 - a. *Furniture*
 - b. *Landscaping*
 - c. *Low voltage wiring*
 - d. *Buffer*
 - e. *Change orders to elevation*
 - f. *Architect*

End of list submitted by Mark Van Buren.

Larry Kretzmann moved to increase appropriations in the GENERAL FUND by \$200,000.00. Line item 01-B-03, New Buildings and Additions. Eric Smith second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren NO and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Larry Kretzmann moved with intent to award the bid to Kel-Par Company, Inc. and sign the contract to build a New 3079 SF Harrison Township Community Hall once the township's Certificate of County Auditor Amending Appropriations has been received. Eric Smith second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren NO and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Eric Smith moved to accept the withdrawal of the bid from SJL Plumbing Services for \$23,990.00 for the Plumbing Contract – Prime. Mark Van Buren second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren YES and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Eric Fox from the Licking County Prosecutors office will prepare a letter of commencement. The Licking County Planning Commission will review the TRC for the new township hall on July 13th.

From the floor – Carel Ellinger

Mr. Ellinger inquired about the cost over run on the new township hall.

From the floor – Tony Sharp

Mr. Sharp inquired about the length of time the \$400,000.00 has been set aside for the new building. The original senior center was explained.

From the floor – Ruthie Wallenburg

Mrs. Wallenburg expressed her concerns about spending so much money and stated that she could not pay any more taxes.

Road Report – Ben Patterson

Eric Smith moved to award the bid for Apple Blossom and Peach Blossom Culvert Replacement to Tab Construction Company, Inc. with a change order to use concrete culvert –total cost of project with change order - \$24,991.30. Mark Van Buren second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren YES and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Eric Smith moved to hold a special meeting on July 11, 2011 for the purpose of opening bids for the Harrison Trace Paving and T-Turn projects and any other business that comes before the board. The motion further states that both the Harrison Trace Paving and T-Turn project bids will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on July 11th and opened at 5:00 p.m. on July 11, 2011. Mark Van Buren second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren YES and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Eric Smith moved to approve \$3,907.80 to Mar-King Construction, Inc. for the 2011 Beecher Road Striping Project. Mark Van Buren second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren YES and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Other Business

Larry Kretzmann moved to approve reimbursing Tom Frederick, Zoning Inspector for \$88.00 in recording fees. Mark Van Buren second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren YES and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Eric Smith moved to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2011 regular meeting as well as approve mid month payroll warrants 10974 through 10978 and bills warrant 10979 through 10983. Mark Van Buren second. Roll call: Kretzmann YES, Van Buren YES and Smith YES.

Motion passed.

Zoning Report – Tom Frederick

Mr. Frederick reviewed noxious weed properties and other zoning violations.

The Fiscal Officer passed out Financial Reports for the Trustees to review. The Trustees reviewed and signed the bank statements. Being no further business, Chairman Larry Kretzmann adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m. The minutes are unofficial until approved by the Trustees.

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn I. Elder
Harrison Township Fiscal Officer