

HARTLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING FINAL MINUTES
July 07, 2020 – 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Fountain at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

PRESENT: Supervisor Fountain, Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Colaianne, Trustee Germane, Trustee Harper, Trustee Petrucci

ABSENT: None

4. Approval of the Agenda

Move to approve the agenda for the July 7, 2020, Hartland Township Board meeting as presented.

Motion made by Treasurer Horning, Seconded by Trustee Harper.

Voting Yea: Supervisor Fountain, Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Colaianne, Trustee Germane, Trustee Harper, Trustee Petrucci

Voting Nay: None

5. Call to the Public

No one came forward.

6. Approval of the Consent Agenda

Move to approve the consent agenda for the July 7, 2020, Hartland Township Board meeting as presented.

Motion made by Trustee Colaianne, Seconded by Trustee Germane.

Voting Yea: Supervisor Fountain, Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Colaianne, Trustee Germane, Trustee Harper, Trustee Petrucci

Voting Nay: None

- a. Approve Post Audit of Disbursements Between Board Meetings
- b. Approve Payment of Bills
- c. Approve 06/16/20 Regular Meeting Minutes
- d. Approve 06/16/20 Closed Session Meeting Minutes
- e. Township Hall Counter Screen Budget Amendment (\$10,465)
- f. Hartland Enrichment and Recreation Organization (HERO) Agreement 2021-2023 (\$20,000/yr)
- g. Three-Year Agreement Renewal with Hartland Senior Center (\$22,000/yr)

7. Pending & New Business

- a. Fire Millage Resolution

Trustee Petrucci gave an overview of the legal issues involved in getting the fire millage on the November ballot. Township Attorney Michael Homier put together resolution language under several millage options for discussion and recommendation. The Committee reviewed the options and decided to go with the recommendation to ask for 2.06 mills as a new millage for

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five years beginning in 2021. Trustee Petrucci stated that the fire millage has not been increased since 2002 and was renewed in 2007. In 2002 the millage was at 1.97 mills and with the Headlee Rollback it now stands at 1.8106 mills. The request would be for a .2494 mill increase to bring us up to 2.06 mills. He estimates the cost for the average homeowner to be 35-50 dollars per year. Discussion was held on the pros and cons of all four proposals including the financial impact on the Hartland-Deerfield Fire Authority (HDFA). HDFA Fire Chief Adam Carrol presented a brief financial impact of the four recommendations for the HDFA. Further discussion was held on future renewals of the fire millage, ballot language of the recommended option, and the presentation of the information to the residents as to vacating the last year of the previous millage if the new millage passes,

Move to approve the Fire Millage Resolution to ask the voters to authorize new additional millage in the amount of not to exceed 2.06 mils for a period of 5 years from 2021 through 2025 inclusive to provide funds for operating equipment, constructing and purchasing for Hartland Deerfield Fire Authority or for any other purposes authorizing by law for Fire Service purposes.

Motion made by Trustee Harper, Seconded by Trustee Petrucci. Roll call vote taken.

Voting Yea: Supervisor Fountain, Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Colaianne, Trustee Germane, Trustee Harper, Trustee Petrucci

Voting Nay: None Motion passes: 7 -0- 0

8. Board Reports

Clerk Ciofu - We have sent out almost 3000 absentee ballots right now. We have received around 1600 back. We are still receiving applications for ballots daily. We are starting to have an issue with election workers at the precincts. There have been certain people that are backing out for legitimate reasons a little bit later than we anticipated. If anyone out there is interested in being an election worker on August 4, please contact us at the Township Hall so we can get you set up with some training.

Treasurer Horning - Tax bills went out and we had a note on the back of the bills. People have been great about putting them in the drop-box and putting it in an envelope for us and we are mailing out the receipts as we put them in the register. We are getting 50-60 payments a day. We are making appointments if people need to pay in cash. They can also make payments at First National Bank in Hartland.

Trustee Colaianne - No report.

Trustee Germane - No report.

Trustee Harper - No report.

Trustee Petrucci - No report.

Supervisor Fountain - Reports that he is having one-on-one meetings with the staff and everything is going very well right now.

[BRIEF RECESS]

9. Information / Discussion

- a. Township Update – Supervisor Fountain brought up a local group that is scheduling a Lacrosse Tournament at Heritage Park and discussion was held on the legal responsibilities of the County Health Department and the Township regarding the event complying with the State's Executive Orders. Discussion was held on Executive Order 110 provisions related to this issue. It was discussed that any enforcement issues should or would come from the County Health Department. A discussion was also held on the discharge of firearms in the township and the limited enforcement issues the township has unless the individuals are engaged in some form

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of business enterprise. Discussion was held on alternatives to address the excessive shooting issues in the township. Supervisor Fountain gave a brief update on the recent water system issue and that a claim is being made to the developer's insurance company by Public Works Director Bob West. Discussions continue with the PIHRL and Mayberry developments with regards to the water system extension. The township hall reopening plan will be discussed at the Directors meeting tomorrow. Supervisor Fountain stated he is very pleased with the way things are going in the township hall during this manger transition period.

10. Closed Session

- a. To review the written legal opinion of the Township Attorney, subject to attorney-client privilege

Move to go into closed session to review the written legal opinion of the Township Attorney, subject to attorney-client privilege

Motion made by Trustee Harper, Seconded by Treasurer Horning. Roll call vote taken.

Voting Yea: Supervisor Fountain, Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Colaianne,
Trustee Germane, Trustee Harper, Trustee Petrucci

Voting Nay: None Motion passes: 7 -0- 0

Board is in closed session at 7:20 p.m.

Board came out of closed session at 8:02 p.m.

Supervisor Fountain provided the Township Update detailed in Section 9.

11. Adjournment

Move to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Motion made by Trustee Germane, Seconded by Trustee Harper

Yea: Supervisor Fountain, Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Colaianne, Trustee Germane, Trustee Harper, Trustee Petrucci

Voting Nay: None

Submitted by:



Larry N. Ciofu
Clerk