MINUTES OF THE HOWLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Howland Township Board of Trustees held their Regular meeting on November 12, 2014 at 6 P.M. at the Howland Township Administration Building, 205 Niles-Cortland Rd NE, Howland Township, Ohio

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – Excused
Dr James Lapolla – Present

Matthew G Vansuch- Present

A motion was made by Dr. James Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to excuse Trustee Rick Clark for personal reasons.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to suspend the reading of the October 8, 2014 minutes and accept as written.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea

Matthew G Vansuch -yea

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

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla - yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-121

Approve and authorize the Fiscal Office Robert Costello to transfer the following monies within the listed funds:

General Fund 1

01-A-27 (Transfers) to 01-A-02E (Postal Salary)	\$15,000.00*
01-A-27 (Transfers) to 01-A-28 (Contracts)	\$ 5,000.00*
01-J-09 (Zoning Training) to 01-J-08 (Zone Board Expense)	\$ 1,106.00*
01-J-03 (Other Expenses-Zone) to 01-J-08 (Zone Board Expenses)	\$ 1,000.00*
01-A-06 (Insurance) to 01-A-27 (Transfer)	\$ 7,000.00
01-A-03 (Travel & Other Exp) to 01-A-27 (Transfers)	\$ 1,500.00

01-A-11A (Community Activities) to 01-A-27 (Transfers) 01-A-16 (General Health) to 01-A-27 (Transfers) 01-A-19 (State Audit Fees) to 01-A-27 (Transfers) 01-B-04 (Utilities) to 01-A-27 (Transfers) 01-B-04 (Utilities) to 01-B-09 (Senior Center)	\$10,000.00 \$ 2,000.00 \$ 627.00 \$ 8,000.00 \$ 3,000.00
Police Fund 9: 09-A-12 (Insurance) to 09-A-01 (Salaries) 09-A-12 (Insurance) to 09-A-02 (Employers Retirement) 09-A-10A (Contracts-911) to 09-A-02) Employers Retirement)	\$18,000.00 \$ 2,000.00 \$ 1,000.00
Road & Bridge Fund 4: 04-A-04 (Tools & Equipment) to 04-B-04 (Other Exp)	\$ 3,000
Fire Fund: 10-A-10 (Repairs) to 10-A-14 (Insurance) 10-A-08 (Tools & Equip) to 10-A-14 (Insurance)	\$10,000 \$ 5,000

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-122

Accept the resignation of Detective Justin Soroka, effective November 15, 2014.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-123

Accept the resignation of Part-Time Firefighter/Paramedic Nicolas Wildman, effective immediately.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark - yea

Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-124

Approve, pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association and the Howland Township Board of Trustees, the term of agreement July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017, per Article 30, Section 6, hereby sells and transfers ownership of a Glock .40 caliber pistol, Model 22, serial number GMT 555 to retiree Alan E. Sprockett, 2234 Fairgreen Ave N.E., Warren, Ohio, for one dollar (\$1.00).

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-125

The Board of Trustees has determined to continue to pick-up 10.75% of the mandatory contributions by the employees who are members of the Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund. Effective July 16, 2014, the rate of 11.50%, the additional .75% member contributions will be taxed, and effective July 16, 2015, the rate of 12.25%, the additional 1.50% member contributions will be taxed.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-126

Authorize the Fiscal Officer to request an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources to increase the Road & Bridge Fund 4 \$35,000 due to additional taxes received from the Trumbull County Auditor.

The additional \$35,000 will be appropriated in the following appropriations:

04-B-01 (Salaries) \$20,000 04-A-02 (Retirement) \$ 5,600 04-B-02 (Material) \$ 9,400

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-127

WHEREAS, the following list of properties have been cited during the month of November, 2014 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, the following list of properties have been cited during the month of November, 2014 in violation of the Howland Township Zoning Ordinance Section 8, 8.01, H; 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 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.

ADDRESS 8995 Cain Dr NE PARCEL ID 28-106400

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-128

Approve to cancel the Howland Township Board of Trustees regular meeting scheduled for November 26, 2014 at 4:30 P.M.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea A motion was made by Dr. James J Lapolla and seconded by Matthew Vansuch to vote on Resolution 2014-129

Per the recommendation of Administrator Darlene St. George and Police Chief Paul Monroe, approve the purchase of 22 - Glock 22 Gen4 40S Pistols and 5 Glock 27 GEN4 40S Pistols at a cost of \$4,470.00 (total cost is \$11,043.00 less trade in of \$6,573), and approve payment of order 00741335 dated 11/10/14 to Kiesler's Police Supply, Inc.

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

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

Roll Call:

Rick G. Clark – excused Dr. James J Lapolla – yea Matthew G Vansuch –yea

Summary of Meeting:

Fire Chief James Pantalone: Complimented fire crew and other departments that helped in a grass fire.

Police Lt. Jennifer Carr: Police Dept assisted in the investigation of the grass fire since it was not the first time. A felony arson charge was filed against the suspect today.

Administrator Darlene St. George: On Black-Friday Township employees will be collecting money for the food pantry. The be along East Market St and Rt. 46 and also at the Eastwood Mall entrance on Rt. 46. Monies collected in the past has sustained the pantry for one year.

Public Works Director David McCann: Limb and Branch pick-up has been completed on the east side. Have started on the west side. Piles have been relatively light this year.

Gearing up for winter time operations. We have 6 units ready for any type of precipitation in the next 72 hours.

Contract paving has been completed along with the skim paving program.

Planning Director Kim Mascarella: The monthly Farmers Market begins this Saturday and will run from November through June.

Wellness Committee: Frank Korey and Kristen Taylor presented the Trustees the Health

Community Silver Award for 2014. The award is based on what the community is doing to make a healthier community. The park system, bike sharrow and farmers market all contributed favorably for the award.

Bolindale Food Pantry: Chuck Mackey gave a report stating that 73 families were served. They are seing an increase because some of the seasonable jobs are ending. They had 3,700 pounds of food for distribution today, and gave away between 2,700 to 3,000 pounds. They are beginning the fund raising season. Howland Schools Interact Club and Ameriprise are finishing a food drive this Friday. We should end up with a school bus full of canned goods that should carry us through February. Paper products along with soap, toothpaste, and tooth brushes are in great need now. This year we are approaching \$66,000 of food that has been given away.

Residents Mike and Theresa Salcone, 2870 Gretchen Drive: Concerned about the lighting on Gretchen Drive. There is not enough lighting at either end of the road. Administrator St. George explained that all lights are placed as per our Township policy. If residents would like to have a petition for additional lighting they would have to pay for it. Mr. Salcone that the entrance to Gretchen from North Road and Elm Road. Mr. Salcone that maybe they could paint with reflective paint on the curbs so you could see the entrance to the street. Public Works Director David McCann explained that the County is responsible for those two entrances and would speak to the County Engineer about painting the curbs as suggested.

Mr. Salcone also stated that the area that was worked on in front of his driveway has dropped. Trucks go over it and asked if it could be resurfaced. Public Works Director David McCann stated that he will look at the problem.

Mr. Salcone also asked about the zoning of the area and if it was commercial. Stated that the school bus drops of a group of children and if that house is running a daycare. Administrator St. George stated that it is a group home and is allowed in a residential zoned area.

Approved by: Approved by: Dated: ///8/14

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Matthew Vansuch, Trustee Vice-Chairperson