HARTSGROVE TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gottron. Mr. Gottron and Mr. Williams were in attendance. Mr. Moore was absent.

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Mr. Gottron and seconded by Mr. Williams-all voted yes.

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Mr. Gottron and seconded by Mr. Williams-all voted yes.

Public Comments-Multiple residents from Higley Road attended the meeting to voice their concerns regarding the recent MC70 that was spread on their section of the road. Attendees included Dawn and Bennie Pilarczyk, Michael Starkey, and Erica and Rod Peavy. The reason they residents were upset was because after the MC70 was getting spread, it began to rain and washed out the tar and stone, leaving their vehicles covered in the debris and causing possible damage. Although they were initially upset, due to the quick work of the township road team, they were happy to see the matter being resolved very quickly. Erica Peavy did have some substantial damage to her Jeep Wrangler. After the board looked over the damage, it was decided that she would get a quote to repair the vehicle and we would submit the quote to the township insurance company. The residents also stated that they had not previously been to a trustee meeting and would like to be more involved in the community. Michael Starkey also noted what a nice job Andy has been doing with mowing and other road maintenance.

Roads-The remaining roads that are part of the MC70 maintenance project were rescheduled for the following Tuesday, as it is not supposed to rain. The roads that are complete are South Ireland Road, Hyde Road (south of Summers Road to Meade Hollow Road), Hyde Road (north of Summers Road), and Higley Road (north of Laskey Road). There was a discussion about potentially doing more scratch coat paving in the future. There is an initiative going on the ballot in November of 2026 that pertains to removing property taxes, so the township may need to be prepared for the road budget changing.

Fire Department-See attached. The department will be holding a meeting on October 20th to educate the community about the details surrounding the upcoming levy on the ballot this November. A MARCS grant is opening up to assist in covering the cost of operation. The fire trucks all need their annual preventative maintenance. A motion was made to allow the department to spend up to $1600 to complete the PM by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Gottron-all voted yes.

Zoning-Mr. Sedivec was not in attendance. There was one new permit for a house and garage on State Route 534. A formal complaint needs to be made to the county health department regarding the Gutman property on US Route 6. This may help with moving forward in getting assistance to help clean up the residence.

Building-The architect will be preparing the bid packet and gathering bids soon.

There is a household hazardous waste collection available on September 27th in Jefferson. See attached flyer for more details.

Debbie Noon was in attendance. It was noted that since she is running unopposed, she will be a Hartsgrove trustee in 2026. There is still one seat open.

The warrants were read. A motion was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Gottron to pay warrants 16059-16071-all voted yes.

Having no further business to come before this board, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Gottron.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kovach, fiscal officer

AGENDA
September 24, 2025

CALL TO ORDER:

MINUTES: APPROVED

AGENDA APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

- ZONING
- ROADS
- FD
- BUILDING UPDATE-ARCHITECT WILL BE GATHERING BIDS NEXT WEEK

NEW BUSINESS:

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WARRANTS: 16059-16071

EXECUTIVE SESSION IF NEEDED

HARTSGROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT

WED, September 24, 2025

TRUSTEE MEETING NOTES

CALL RUNS TO-DATE FOR YEAR 2025		YEAR 2024
CALLS-TO-DATE:	73	125
MUTUAL-AID TD:	31	50
AUTO-AID TD:	17	34
STRUCTURE FIRE	3	11
EMS	3	28
STORMS	8	21

1. 432 for the Pump and Skid Unit at this time is out of service due to a impeller shaft that snapped on first out field fire. Warranty parts were shipped to fix, should be back in service by Monday.

2. BWC Grant was closed and finalized with needed information for the State of Ohio.

3. Halloween October 25th Trunk or Treat 6 – 8 PM

4. Will be training in two houses donated by Bill Kirby of Ireland Road. He graciously is allowing us to use both homes to do search and rescue in and we have a complete training plan laid out for the next two months. Hoping to do a live fire burn at the end. Depending on Cost and Permits. We will also be having all local area departments joining us as well.

5. Joint Training with Trumbull October ~~21st~~ 25th from 8am to noon for a Tanker Shuttle with all area departments.

6. Levy meeting to be scheduled and published for October 20th, 2025 from 4-6 pm at the Township hall to discuss the upcoming addl. Levy that we used to have in place and what it entales

7. MARCS Grant is opening up. Currently looking for covering fees for the year only, we have enough radios.

8. S.A.F.E.R. Grant construction under way for addl. Operational/educational funding and gear for the station for our new firefighters.

9. Tyler Elser will be coming to the station October 15th to do our PMs on the trucks and Pump Testing. $550 per truck and cost of filters. Much cheaper than Countryside and they come directly to our station to do them.

End of Discussion – Have a great evening!



ASHTABULA COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Saturday, September 27, 2025

9am-1pm

Ashtabula County Technical & Career Campus (A-Tech)
1565 St. Rt. 167, Jefferson, OH 44047

Available to Ashtabula County residents only. No cost — must show proof of residency. No commercial businesses.

ASHTABULA COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Recycle Ohio Grant Program

440-576-1530 • www.ashtabulacounty.us/recycle

MATERIALS ACCEPTED:

PAINT: Oil based paint & paint products – 5 gallon container or smaller. Aerosols acceptable. Includes adhesives/roof tar/ driveway sealers. No latex paints will be accepted.

HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS: Acid and caustic products.

BATTERIES: All household batteries. Lead acid automotive batteries.

AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS: Motor oil, up to 5 gallon containers – prefer 1 gallon containers, antifreeze, brake fluid, grease, fuels.

PESTICIDES: Liquids, solids and aerosols in homeowner sizes.

MERCURY: Thermometers, thermostats, fluorescent bulbs & tubes, and elemental mercury.

UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS:

Explosives, ammunition, gas cylinders, radioactive wastes, pharmaceuticals or large quantities of unknown materials. No tires accepted.

For more information or clarification on an item, please call before the event: 440-576-1530