

**RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP
LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO
BOARD OF RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

March 4th, 2013

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Arthur Nevers at 7:00 p.m. at the Maintenance Building, 3951 Washburn Rd., Berkey, Ohio. All present were asked to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Trustee
Chairman: Arthur Nevers - present
Vice Chairman: John Hassen – present
Donald Eisel- present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the February 19th, 2013 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

John Hassen made a motion to approve the February 19th, 2013 minutes as presented. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (8020 -8053) were presented for approval:

Arthur Nevers made a motion to approve payment of the attached listing of invoices and the corresponding pending warrants. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A resident questioned why the County re-routed traffic down Miller Rd. after an accident on Central Avenue. Further stating the semi-trucks put 8 inch ruts on the side of the road. The Trustees will contact the Lucas County Engineers' office.

A resident questioned the progress and status of the natural gas lines.

FIRE:

February gas usage was turned in.

Chief Tate reported the repairs on Engine 58 have been completed.

Further discussion was held on the purchase of the fire truck in Bedford Township.

Chief Tate presented an application to the Volunteer Fire Department from Nicole Kozina.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to hire Nicole Kozina to the volunteer fire department contingent upon passing the drug screen, physical, and background check with a one year probationary period. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

Discussion was held on the fire department operating levy renewal.

**RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR LEVYING TAX
EXCEEDING TEN-MILL LIMITATION**

The Board of Township Trustees of Richfield Township, Lucas County, Ohio, met in Regular session on the 4th day of March, 2013 at the office of the Board of Trustees with the following members present:

John Hassen
Arthur Nevers
Donald Eisel

Arthur Nevers moved for the adoption of the following
Resolution 030413-01:

Whereas, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Richfield Township, Lucas County, Ohio; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the board of trustees, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a renewal tax of 2.5 mill in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of Richfield Township to provide protection against fire, and to provide and maintain fire apparatus, appliances or buildings, or sites therefor, sources of water supply and materials therefor, or lines for fire-alarm telegraph, and to pay permanent, part-time, or volunteer fire-fighting personnel or companies to operate such equipment, including payment of the employer's contribution required under RC 742.34, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a fire department or fire-fighting company at a rate not exceeding 2.5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to no dollars and twenty-five cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation for three years and; be it further

Resolved, that the levy be placed upon the tax lists of the current tax year in compliance with Ohio Revised code section 5705 .34, after the February settlement next succeeding the election, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof; and, be it further

Resolved, that the Clerk is hereby directed to certify a copy of the resolution to the board of elections, Lucas county, Ohio, not less than seventy-five days before the election on November 5th, 2013 ,and notify the board of elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying the tax to be given as required by law.

John Hassen seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. John Hassen	yes
Mr. Arthur Nevers	yes
Mr. Donald Eisel	yes

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Smith reported he will be sending out certified zoning violation letters to residents with junk vehicles on the property.

Discussion was held on Farley Methodist Church which has closed its doors.

NEW BUSINESS:

The CD currently with Metamora Bank will mature on March 19th; the Trustee's were in favor of renewing the CD. The Fiscal Officer will check CD rates and report at the next scheduled meeting.

The annual county highway mileage certification forms were presented to the Trustees.

Fiscal Officer explained the cemetery software program and procedure for entering purchased graves as well as updating burial information.

Discussion was held on the current rubbish contract. The Trustees were in agreement to renew the present contract with ARS.

Unlimited pickup will be scheduled for the second Saturday of May (May 11th).

Trustee Eisel returned his paycheck for the month of February due to his absence.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Trustees were in agreement to purchase a new chain saw not to exceed \$1000.00.

Discussion was held on decreasing overtime by having part time employee's working less than 40 hours work emergencies to avert overtime hours. Further discussion was held on the town hall duties.

The following information can be viewed on the Richfield Township website at: www.richfieldtownshiplucascounty.com.

1. Trustee minutes
2. Zoning minutes
3. Zoning including: fees, applications, complaint forms, and the zoning book.
4. Meeting dates and times
5. Contact information for Trustees, Zoning Board and Board of Zoning Appeals.
6. Wolfinger Cemetery information including cemetery fees and rules & regulations.
7. Fire and Rescue
8. Town hall rental rules and fees
9. Roads and Maintenance
10. Rubbish Contractor information for garbage pickup
11. Community Links.

There being no further business Arthur Nevers made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., which was seconded by John Hassen. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

