

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

December 20th, 2010

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 December 6th, 2010 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, November Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Donald Eisel made a motion to approve the December 6th minutes as presented. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen –yes, Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (6292-6329) were presented for approval:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments

FIRE:

The new fire tanker will be ready for delivery in approximately 3 months.

There are 4 SCBA bottles that have expired. Chief Tate is currently working on a grant, if the grant is approved the money will be used to replace these items.

ZONING:

The December 13th zoning minutes were read.

Zoning Inspector Smith was absent.

Mr. Hassen reported the property owner at 5026 Kilburn Rd. obtained a variance from Lucas County to put up a barn.

Zoning violation letters were sent to two property owners for disabled vehicles on the property.

NEW BUSINESS:

122010-01 REQUEST FOR ADVANCE OF TAXES COLLECTED

Arthur Nevers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

To the Auditor of Lucas County, Ohio:

Toledo, Ohio, December 20, 2010

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUESTED to issue your warrant upon the County Treasurer of said County, in favor of Linda Johnston as Fiscal Officer of Richfield Township in said County for township Dollars, of the current collection of taxes assessed and collected for and in behalf of said Richfield Township which shall be held and treated as an advance payment on the current collection of taxes due said Richfield Township at the ensuing settlement, 2011, as provided by law.

*Pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Richfield Township Board of Trustees.
Adopted December 20, 2010. Resolution No. 122010-01*

Donald Eisel seconded the resolution. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes, Eisel-yes. Resolution approved.

Discussion was held on employee wages for 2011. The Trustees were in agreement to freeze wages for 2011.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to continue Doug Ronau's employment under the same provisions as 2010 for 2011. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Eiesel-yes, Hassen-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

122010-02 Donald Eisel submitted the following Resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS it is a benefit to the Trustees, Clerk and Zoning Inspector or Zoning Board Members to attend State Conventions and National Conventions of the Township Trustees and Fiscal Officers Association and Township related meetings and informational seminars: and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined the need and priority of attending these meetings and seminars will benefit the Township with better informed Trustees, Fiscal Officer and Zoning Inspector or Zoning Board Members therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the expenses, such as fees, reservations, rooms, food, parking and travel at the effective IRS rate per mile be authorized to attend winter, summer, and national conventions, meetings and seminars. Furthermore, any other travel outside the Township on Township business shall be paid at the rate of effective IRS rate per mile. No room and board will be paid for seminars where location is within a 50-mile radius of the township.

A report is to be given after attending any seminars, conventions or meetings. Arthur Nevers seconded the resolution. Roll call: Hassen-yes, Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes; Resolution approved.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to set the mileage rate for 2011 at the effective IRS rate per mile. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Hassen-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion carried.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to re-appoint Doug Ronau to the Zoning Board for a five year term, commencing 1/1/11. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Hassen-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

John Hassen made a motion to re-appoint John Lumbrezer to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a five year term, commencing 1/1/11. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Hassen-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

Trustee Nevers recommended placing an ad in the paper for Board of Zoning Appeals and Zoning Board alternate members.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Nevers obtained information from Sylvania Township as follows for police protection: estimate of \$45.00 per hour for police protection. This would include 100 miles per shift. The Village of Berkey previously submitted a quote of \$80.00 to \$100.00 per hour; they had previously charged \$20.00 per hour in 1990.

Further discussion was held on purchasing a police vehicle at a cost of approximately \$32,000.00 with all the necessary equipment and hiring part-time policemen. There would be further cost involved including liability insurance.

Further discussion was held on placing a levy on the ballot for police protection or discontinuing the garbage pick-up which cost the township approximately \$36,000.00 per year. The money saved on garbage pick-up could be used towards police protection and a levy would not be necessary. The Trustees will research further.

Trustee Nevers researched the petitions against the Kilburn Road project and there were 39 signatures on the petition; out of the 39 signatures Mr. Nevers stated "several of those people had moved or passed away, therefore they cannot be counted". He further stated "28 houses out of a possible 56 houses signed against the project, assuming there are 2 people in each household Mr. Nevers stated this would calculate out to a possible 84 people who may have been in support of the project out of a possible 112".

PUBLIC NOTICE:

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 John Hassen made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m., which was seconded by Donald Eisel. Roll call: Hassen-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

