

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

February 2, 2009

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Donald Eisel at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 3951 Washburn Road, Berkey, Ohio.

ROLL CALL: Trustee
Chairman: Donald Eisel – present
Vice-Chairman: Karen Winn - present
Arthur Nevers - present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the January 20, 2009 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Karen Winn made a motion to approve the January 20, 2009 minutes as presented. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Winn-yes. Motion approved.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to amend the January 5th, 2009 minutes regarding the property owner at 4242 N. Lathrop Rd. as he is not in violation for digging the fence post and does not have to contact the utility company 48 hours prior to digging the fence post. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Winn-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (4906 - 4930) were presented for approval:

Donald Eisel made a motion to approve payment of the attached listing of invoices and the corresponding pending warrants with the exception of warrant #4910 to the Ohio Dept. of Jobs and Family Services. Karen Winn seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

The fiscal officer will contact the Ohio Jobs and Family Services for further information on warrant #4910.

ZONING:

There was discussion on Richfield Township zoning requirements vs. Lucas County requirements.

Mr. Hassen received a complaint regarding the property at 3302 Washburn Rd. Mr. Hassen reported Sheila Nash (Lucas County Health Inspector) issued a permit for a well and leach field to the property owners with the pretense that a modular home would be built. Ms. Nash has advised it is not a health issue anymore and should be brought to the attention of the Lucas County Builders because the house is not structurally sound. The case is currently in the Sylvania Court System.

Mr. Hassen researched the property at 4216 N. Lathrop Rd. and reported the property was not vacant in-between owners and there have always been horses on the property. In addition he reported the property owners have been granted a CAUV in 2009.

Mr. Hassen received a letter regarding flooding problems since 2006 at 3425 Murd Rd. The property owner stated the flooding is caused by his neighbor's pond. Mr. Hassen will contact Brian Miller (Lucas County Engineer) for further assistance. Trustee Winn will check the water rights.

Trustee Nevers questioned Mr. Hassen if he heard back from the Lucas County Prosecutors Office regarding the possible commercial trucking business at 13423 Central Ave. Mr. Hassen has not received a call back at this time.

Mr. Hassen reported the Lucas County Builders contacted him regarding the remodeling at 11625 Sylvania Ave. The County has contacted the property owner advising they need permits for any remodeling. Mr. Hassen had explained previously to the property owners a permit is required from the County but not the Township. The property has been red tagged.

There was discussion on the Central Avenue Overlay District. The Zoning Board will hold a public hearing on February 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the maintenance building. Trustee Nevers has spoke with ODOT regarding the Central Ave. Overlay and was advised a traffic study would need to be completed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Farley turned in \$50.00 in town hall rental fees and Mr. Hassen turned in \$25.00 in zoning fees.

There was discussion on the Joint Cooperation Agreement received from the Lucas County Engineers office on the Kilburn Rd. Paved Shoulder Project for a bike trail on Kilburn Rd. Further discussion will be held at the next scheduled meeting.

Trustee Nevers attended the TMACOG meeting and reported they are adapting a new work force and they commended TMACOG and LCIC for bringing new business to Lucas County. Mr. Nevers spoke with State Representative Barbara Sears about possible grants.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to give John Farley (Dispatcher) a 3% increase and make it retroactive to 1/1/09. Karen Winn seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

There was discussion on grants for wind turbines. Trustee Nevers advised to check the ODNR web site for available grants.

It was reported to the Fiscal Officer the microwave at the town hall had a flame shoot out of it last week. The Trustees were in agreement to buy a new microwave.

Trustee Winn has requested a copy of the inventory.

FIRE:

Chief Tate has applied for the State Marshall grant.

There was discussion on the fire siren repairs. An estimate will be obtained for a new starter.

Chief Tate received an application from Scott Ball as volunteer firemen.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to approve the hiring of Scott Ball as a volunteer fire fighter contingent upon passing his physical, drug screen and back ground check with a one year probationary period. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

A \$50.00 donation to the Richfield Township Fire Department was received in memory of Dan Baker from Rita Hertzfeld and John Lyke.

There was discussion on a two year plan to complete the fire station.

There being no further business Arthur Nevers made a motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m., which was seconded by Karen Winn. Roll call: Eisel – yes, Nevers-yes, Winn-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Clerk

