

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

March 5th, 2012

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by John Hassen 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: Donald Eisel – present
Vice Chairman: Arthur Nevers – present
John Hassen- present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the February 21st, 2012 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

John Hassen made a motion to approve the February 21st, 2012 minutes as presented. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen –yes, Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (7266-7288) were presented for approval:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

FIRE:

February fuel usage was turned in.

Chief Tate attended the Lucas County Fire Chiefs meeting on February 29th in Sylvania.

Discussion was held on providing a uniform allowance for the volunteer firemen.

John Hassen made a motion to provide a uniform allowance of \$300.00 per person for 2012; amounts will be re-evaluated yearly. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

The Chief is requesting financial support from the Board of Trustees toward travel and lodging costs for two different events that will recognize and memorialize our recent line of duty death comrade Charolotte "Charlie" Adair in two National Memorials. The department was notified by the National EMS Memorial board in Colorado Springs, Colorado that Charlie is one of only twenty line of duty deaths in the nation to be accepted for 2011. This memorial service and the related activities are structured to strengthen the grieving and healing process and provide support and closure to those closest to the tragedy. The second event will likely take place this fall in Emmetsburg, Maryland if she is accepted and honored at the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial service.

The Fire Association will be providing some funding towards the expenses.

John Hassen made a motion to match the fire association funds for the expenses related to the events pending approval from the Lucas county Auditor. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

ZONING:

The property owner at 5210 Kilburn Rd. called with complaints of the ditch flooding behind her home. Mr. Smith will look into the complaint.

Mr. Smith received a call from a property owner on Miller Road reporting the well drilling rig is still on her property and she would like it removed. The owner of the well drilling rig has been contacted by phone and a certified letter was sent notifying him he must remove the rig.

Mr. Smith reported junk vehicles remain on the property at 2825 N. Berkey-Southern Rd. including a pickup truck and a camper. The property owner has been notified in the past of the zoning violation.

Resolution No. 030512-01

Be It Resolved by the Board of Township Trustees Richfield Township that the following described properties:

Parcel #57-30241 at 2825 N. Berkey-Southern Rd. is in violation of 2 junk vehicles on the property (GMC pick-up, camper).

located in Richfield Township, Lucas county, state of Ohio be and hereby is declared to have junk vehicles on the 2825 N. Berkey Southern Rd. property The Board has further determined that the owner's vehicles are junk vehicles and that the removal of the junk vehicles from land in the township is necessary.

As stated per ORC 505.871 a Board of Township Trustees may provide for the removal of any vehicle in the township that the board determines is a junk motor vehicle, as defined in section 505.173 of the Revised Code.

As stated in the Richfield Township Zoning Resolution: Any owners of land may not store disabled vehicles per the Richfield Township Zoning Resolution as follows:

5.2.2J-2 Storage of Disabled Vehicles: No disabled vehicle shall be parked within an "A" or "A/R" district for a period of more than 30 days, except such vehicle may be stored in an enclosed building providing no business is conducted in connection therewith which such vehicle is parked or stored.

7.8.1A "Blight" – The storage upon any premises of any inoperable vehicle for a period of more than thirty days except in a completely enclosed building.

It is therefore the order of the Board of Trustees that the property owners immediately remove the junk vehicles as noted below from the following properties:

Parcel #57-30241 at 2825 N. Berkey-Southern Rd. is in violation of 2 junk vehicles on the property (GMC pick-up, camper).

The Board directs the fiscal officer to provide notice to the landowner and to each lien holder by certified mail that if, within fourteen days after notice is given, the owner of the land fails to remove the junk vehicles, the board of township trustees shall provide for the removal and may employ the necessary labor, materials, and equipment to perform the task. All expenses incurred shall, when approved by the board, be paid out of the township general fund from moneys not otherwise appropriate, and that all said monies shall be reported to the county auditor to entered upon the tax duplicate, are a lien upon the land from the date of the entry, and shall be collected as other taxes and returned to the township and placed in the township general fund.

Adopted this 5th day of March, 2012

Trustee Nevers – yes
Trustee Hassen – yes
Trustee Eisel - yes

NEW BUSINESS:

Town hall rentals for February were \$100.00.

The Fiscal Officer provided a spread sheet of CD and Money Market Rates from various banks. The Trustees were in agreement to move funds out of Star Ohio and place in a structured CD account at Key Bank.

The town hall stove is not working and due to the age of the stove they are unable to get parts for the repairs. Mr. Hassen reported his son Chris has a stove that he could donate to the town hall.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Nevers reported we are waiting on two bids for the town hall roof.

Discussion was held on obtaining water for the township and forming a JEDD (Joint Economic Development District).

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 8:05 p.m., which was seconded by Donald Eisel. Roll call: Hassen-yes, Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

