

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

July 7, 2008

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

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the June 16, 2008 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Arthur Nevers made a motion to approve the June 16, 2008 minutes as presented. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (4457 – 4540) were presented for approval:

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

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Hassen met with Molly MaGuire (Lucas County Plan Commission) to review the present zoning laws and to discuss recommendations on adding sections to the Zoning Laws for Sexually Oriented Businesses and Wind Turbines. Mr. Hassen will present all recommendations to the Zoning Board at the next scheduled meeting.

Mr. Hassen reported he received several calls from residents with flooding problems. There was discussion on residents digging ponds and causing flooding on neighboring properties due to using the dirt to raise the level of the house. Mr. Hassen recommended changing the zoning laws for pond requirements to ponds permitted for hardship cases only after three unsuccessful attempts to drill a well or for livestock use (10 or more livestock). Mr. Hassen will present to the zoning board at the next scheduled meeting.

Mr. Hassen presented pictures from the resident at 2611 Raab Road showing continuing flooding problems. Lucas County Engineers were notified and an inspection was completed. The Lucas County Engineers will clean the ditch.

A certified letter was sent to the property owner at 4242 Lathrop Rd. for notification to mow noxious weeds. Mr. Hassen reported the property owner has not mowed the noxious weeds; the Township will employ the necessary labor to cut the noxious weeds and the expenses will be entered upon the tax duplicate as provided by Ohio Revised Code 5579.05 and ORC 5579.06.

The Lucas County Plan Commission met on June 25, 2008 for the Zoning change request from A/R to C-2 General Commercial at 9980 W. Central Ave. The Commission recommended disapproval of the zoning change request.

A list of 24 conditions were sent to the property owner; advising him the 24 conditions must be met before the application for a zoning change can further be considered.

Trustee Nevers reported two of the Zoning Board members have stated they will be resigning from the Board in the next year. The Fiscal Officer will continue to run the ad in the Evergreen Newsletter for additional zoning board and zoning board of appeals members.

ROADS:

The bid opening for the Allen Road Project began at 7:15 PM.

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| 1. | Anderzack-Pitzen Construction, Inc. | \$275,275.00 |
| 2. | The Shelly Company | \$208,985.19 |
| 3. | Gerken Paving, Inc. | \$208,556.94 |

The bid packets were reviewed by the Trustees.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to approve the bid from Gerken Paving, Inc. for \$208,556.94. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

A quote from Folding Equipment Company, LLC was presented for additional tables and chairs for rental at the town hall as follows:

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| 1. | 2 tables @ \$232.80 | Total: \$465.60 |
| 2. | 20 steel folding chairs @ \$21.85 | Total: \$437.00 |

Discussion was tabled until further quotes are obtained.

A letter was presented from Allied Waste Services notifying the Township a 2% CPI rate increase has been implemented as of July 1, 2008 and a 2.5% Fuel Recovery Fee. The fee is based on a previous 12-month average price per gallon of diesel fuel equal to \$3.36.

A letter was received from residents at 11865 Sylvania Avenue questioning why the speed limit hasn't been raised from the current 35 mph between Washburn and Richfield Center roads since the Church and school have closed in the past few years. The present day care center uses the Washburn Road entrance for dropping off and picking up children. The letter was forwarded to the Lucas County Traffic Engineer per the property owner.

There was discussion on obtaining larger road closed signs for the fire department in the event of an emergency. Trustee Eisel reported he spoke to Mr. Roanu and there are plenty of road closed signs available. Mr. Eisel instructed Dispatcher John Farley to notify Mr. Roanu or the Trustees when the signs are needed.

FIRE:

Chief Tate was absent.

There being no further business Arthur Nevers made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m., which was seconded by Donald Eisel. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Clerk

