

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

February 16th, 2016

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: Chairman: Steve Bettinger – absent
Co-Chairman: John Hassen – present
Andrew Bick present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The Fiscal officer provided copies of the minutes from the February 1st, 2016 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Bick made a motion to approve the February 1st, 2016 minutes. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- absent, Bick –yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (9888-9908) were presented for approval:

Andy Bick 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, Bick-yes, Bettinger- absent, Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

FIRE:

Chief Tate presented the 2015 Annual fire report to the Trustee's.

Discussion was held on the grant that is currently being processed by the grant writer for updating the lighting system at the fire station.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Smith gave an updated report on zoning issues.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Hassen made a motion to enter into a 24 month contract with Progressive Energy for the purchase of electricity at a reduced rate for the township. Trustee Bick seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen - yes, Bick-yes, Bettinger- absent, Motion approved.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a new pressure washer for maintenance at a price of \$1175.00.

Trustee Hassen made a motion to purchase the pressure sprayer, Trustee Bick seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- absent, Bick –yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

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 16th day of February, 2016 at the office of the Board of Trustees with the following members present:

John Hassen
Andrew Bick

Andrew Bick moved for the adoption of the following Resolution 021616-01:

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 8th, 2016 ,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. Andrew Bick	yes
Mr. Steve Bettinger	absent

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion was held on the purchase of a new pickup truck to replace the 2000 pickup truck.

Trustee Bick made a motion to purchase a new 2016 GMC pickup truck with a snow plow to replace the above mentioned pickup for an estimated price of \$35,690.00. Trustee Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- absent, Bick –yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

The Fiscal Officer presented information from several website designers to update and maintain the township website.

Trustee Hassen made a motion to contract with Infostream Solutions for the new Township Website for a maximum of \$3000.00. Trustee Bick seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- absent, Bick –yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Residents may call Norma Drennon at 419-829-6029 or 419-283-3424 to rent the town hall.

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 Andy Bick made a motion to adjourn at 8: 45 p.m., which was seconded by John Hassen: Roll call: Hassen -yes, Bettinger-absent, Bick-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

