

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

November 5th, 2012

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Donald Eisel 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 October 15th, 2012 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, October Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

John Hassen made a motion to approve the October 15th, 2012 minutes as corrected. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen –yes, Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

**PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:**

The attached listings of warrants (7743-77) 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:**

Chief Tate attended the Lucas County Fire Chiefs meeting in Whitehouse on October 15th.

Fuel usage for October, 2012 was turned in.

There was discussion on the county wide dispatch system and the advantages such as:

- manned 24/7
- Dispatched from the county CAD system-will enhance operations when the county goes live with their new CAD system
- trained fire dispatchers vs sheriff (police) dispatchers that understand our needs
- reduced delays due to sheriff dispatchers busy attending to “police matters”
- Automatic mutual aid coordination – same dispatcher as other depts. Eliminates delays and confusion when requesting mutual aid.
- Ability to “simulcast” or tone multiple departments simultaneously
- Ability to activate the “MayDay” tones during emergencies
- Costs savings

Donald Eisel made a motion to begin services with the County wide dispatch system as soon as possible and to reduce John Farley’s hours to 15 hours a week (5 hours on fire and 10 hours town hall). John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

The initial overall savings on going with the consolidated dispatch will be \$2422.00 per year.

There was discussion on the condition of the brush truck it is 38 years old and not very reliable or safe, the air wagon is 43 years old and is also in need of some repairs. Further discussion was held as to how we could consolidate the two older vehicles by replacing them with (1) one multi-purpose vehicle thereby achieving more value, efficiency and reduced maintenance and upkeep costs. This proposed vehicle would not have to be a brand new truck but rather a very good condition well maintained used vehicle of the proper design could work well for us for many years while controlling capital expenditures.

Bedford fire department has a 1999 Midi 4 X 4 rescue/engine that they may be willing to sell which could replace the two older vehicles and provide all the functions of both vehicles and more. Chief Tate will contact Bedford for a price. Further discussion will be held at the next scheduled meeting.

#### **ZONING:**

No zoning report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Town hall rental for October was \$175.00.

Time sheets were reviewed by the Trustees.

Procedure for executive sessions was reviewed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Hassen reported the Lucas County Engineer’s office has not been out yet to check the rumble strips on Sylvania Avenue.

Trustee Hassen reported a few residents in Berkey approached him about the possibility of having natural gas in the Village

Trustee Nevers will contact Lucas County Engineer Jim Shaw regarding water and the formation of a JEDD (Joint Economic Development District).

**PUBLIC NOTICE:**

The following information can be viewed on the Richfield Township website at: [www.richfieldtownshiplucascounty.com](http://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, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

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Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

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