

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

May 20th, 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 May 6th, 2012 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, April Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

John Hassen made a motion to approve the May 6th, 2012 minutes as corrected. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen –yes, Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (7404-7432) 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.

FIRE:

No fire report.

ZONING:

The May Zoning minutes were read.

The property owner of 5221 Kilburn Road has been notified that the brush and commode sitting of the Kilburn Road property needs to be removed.

Mr. Smith reported a resident is digging a pond which is partly located in a flood plain. Brian Miller from the Lucas County Engineer's office was contacted and stated if the pond was within 700 feet of Kilburn Rd. it would not be in the flood plain.

Assistant Prosecutor John Borell forwarded the following information on issuing zoning permits with an existing zoning violation on a property.

A zoning permit cannot be issued unless the applicant has complied with all zoning regulations. However a property owner may apply for a variance with an existing zoning violation. Once the property owner has applied for the variance it is up to the Board of Zoning Appeals to determine how to handle the situation.

Mr. Rosinski questioned why he had to remove his existing zoning violations prior to filing a special use permit.

Discussion was held on the process of filing for a variance or a special use permit.

A variance is a modification of the strict terms of the relevant regulations where such modifications will not be contrary to the public interest and where owing to conditions peculiar to the property and not the result of the action of the applicant, a literal enforcement of the regulations would result in unnecessary and undue hardship.

A variance must go through the Board of Zoning Appeals.

A special use permit goes through the Zoning Board, Lucas County Planning Commission and the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Kadri questioned why his existing outdoor bar is an issue after being in place for approximately eight years.

ROADS:

There were two quotes obtained for the Miller Road project.

Pavement Technology:	\$3576.02
Asphalt System Inc.	\$2880.54

Donald Eisel made a motion to award Asphalt Systems Inc. the Miller Road Project for \$2880.54. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Noxious weed notices will be placed at area businesses, on the website as well as in the Evergreen newsletter.

Trustee Eisel attended the Lucas County Improvement Corporation meeting on May 10th.

Trustee Eisel attended the Lucas County Township Association meeting held in Sylvania; discussion was held on available resources for water other than the City of Toledo.

OLD BUSINESS:

Continued discussion was held on putting a noise ordinance in place; a sample noise resolution was presented from Springfield Township. Further discussion was held on putting a time limit in the noise ordinance.

The fiscal officer will forward Springfield Townships noise ordinance to the assistant prosecutor's office for review.

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 Arthur Nevers made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., which was seconded by John Hassen. Roll call: Hassen-yes, Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

