

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

August 1st, 2011

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 - John Hassen- absent
Co-Chairman Donald Eisel – present
Arthur Nevers – present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the July 18th, 2011 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Arthur Nevers made a motion to approve the July 18th minutes as corrected. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (6825-6846) 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: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

FIRE:

July gas usage was turned in.

A construction update was given on the interior work of the fire station. All contracts were reviewed and signed.

Comte reduced their price by \$2500.00.

Chief Tate presented a resignation letter from the volunteer fire department from Vicky Loeffler.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to accept the resignation letter from Vicky Loeffler from the volunteer fire department. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

Discussion was held on the purchase of the sno-shoe kits for the fire department roof. An estimate of \$5862.50 was presented; additional estimates will be obtained and presented at the next scheduled meeting.

Jim Crooks suggested the furnace and air conditioner be serviced at the station.

The old fire tanker can be advertised in the local papers; per ORC 505.10 requirements include two publications of the sale at least two weeks prior and posting a notice where the board meets at least 10 days prior to the sale. The second publication can be eliminated if a notice is posted on the Township's web site.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Smith will pick up the Swanton Key and distribute to businesses in the Village of Berkey at Country Mark, Jerry's Marathon, Ott's Implement and Keeler's Corners every Monday for residents.

Mr. Smith gave an updated report on noxious weeds in the township; violation letters will be mailed out.

Property owner at 5060 Kilburn Rd. would like to put up a 6 foot privacy fence; the property owner will have to apply for a variance.

The owner of the property at 5026 Kilburn Rd. has not responded to the violation letter to clean up the debris & noxious weeds on the property.

The owner of the property at 9980 W. Central Ave. has been notified to cut noxious weeds. A revised site plan for the plans on 9980 W. Central Ave. has been submitted to the Lucas County Engineer's office for approval.

Discussion was held on the zoning violations at 3837 Washburn Rd.

The debris has been removed from the property at 11515 W. Central Ave.

The owner of the vehicle with expired temporary tags at 2825 N. Berkey-Southern Rd. has not responded to violation letters mailed to him.

Discussion was held on requirements for a building permit on agricultural property.

Mr. Smith reported he has not received a call from the Lucas County Building Department about the property at 3350 Fulton-Lucas County Road. He will contact them again.

The property at 3304 Washburn Rd. has been condemned by the Lucas County Health Department.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Miller Road Resurfacing project packets were received from the Engineers office. The bid opening for the project will be on Tuesday, September 6th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Legal notices will be placed in the blade.

Town hall rentals from May through July were turned in for \$225.00.

Assistant Lucas County Prosecutor advised legal ads cannot be placed in the Swanton Key; legal ads must be in a paper of general circulation.

Discussion was held on placing a levy on the ballot to support the Berkey Park. A .20 mill would bring in \$8893.00 for a cost of \$6.13 on a \$1000K home. Discussion was tabled.

OLD BUSINESS:

Propane totals for 2010 and 2011 were presented to the Trustees as requested. 2010 reports are as follows: Maintenance Building \$1,869.32 and Fire Department \$6425.28. Totals for 2011 thus far: Maintenance Building \$1852.67 and Fire Department \$4561.53.

The total soft billing charges from 2009 to 2011 were presented to the Trustee's as requested. The total received thus far is \$19,558.22.

Discussion was held previously on placing those funds in a separate account. The Lucas County Auditor's office was contacted and advised to keep all funds in the fire fund.

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 8:20 p.m., which was seconded by John Hassen. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

