

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

May 21, 2018

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Andrew Bick 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: Andrew Bick – present
Co-Chairman: Steve Bettinger – present
John Hassen – present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the May 7, 2018, meeting, current Cash Summary Report, April bank reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Steve Bettinger made a motion to approve the May 7, 2018, minutes as corrected. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- yes, Bick –yes, Hassen- yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (10968- 10983) presented for approval.

John Hassen made a motion to approve payment of the attached listing of invoices and the corresponding pending warrants. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Bick-yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Laurie Manning, Hylant insurance presented and reviewed their proposal for renewal in Ohio Plan Risk Management for the coming year. Premium for 2018 is \$12,870 with a credit of \$1749.00 for having four plus years of service for a total of \$11,211.00.

Hylant notified of the Richfield Township siren not working, Ms. Manning will report the claim. The claim will remain pending until Federal Field Services determines the cause of the siren not working.

FIRE:

Further discussion was held on the Richfield emergency siren not working. Federal Field Services has been contacted although they have been unable to drive boom truck into position due to all the rain to check the siren.

Discussion held on whether to repair or eliminate the fire siren with the new technology of pagers and cell phones.

Chief Tate will look into, he reminded everyone that the sirens are used in the event of bad weather alerts, tornados etc. as well. In addition he advised there are times when EMT/Firefighters that live close by may not have cell phone or pagers when working around his/her home and the siren alerts them.

ZONING:

Zoning inspector Smith gave an update on zoning issues.

Lucas County Assistant Prosecuting attorney will send letters to property owners with zoning violations.

NEW BUSINESS:

Insurance bids were reviewed and compared.

Insurance bids: OTARMA \$16,420.00
Hylant \$11,121.00

Andrew Bick made a motion to accept Hylants insurance bid of \$11,121.00. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- yes, Bick –yes, Hassen- yes. Motion approved.

Resident at 11805 Sylvania Ave. sent a letter requesting the ditch behind her home be cleaned. She stated the water in the ditch was above her discharge drain and her basement flooded. Trustee Bettinger will contact the county engineer.

Discussion held on cleaning ditches and whose responsibility it is, resident, township or county. Trustee Bettinger will contact the Lucas County Engineers office for clarification.

ROADS:

Trustee Bick and Trustee Bettinger checked the tile on Washburn Rd. after receiving a phone call from a resident. Mr. Bick contacted the county to report the problem; Lucas County cleaned the tile and all is working well now.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

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

The following information is available on the Richfield Township website at: www.richfieldtwp.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, 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 8:45 p.m., which was seconded by Steve Bettinger: Roll call: Hassen -yes, Bettinger-yes, Bick-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

