

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

April 15, 2019

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Steve Bettinger at 7:00 pm. 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 – present
Co-Chairman: John Hassen – absent
Andrew Bick: present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the April 1, 2019 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, March Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Andrew Bick made a motion to approve the April 1, 2019 minutes as presented. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- yes, Bick –yes, Hassen-absent. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (11415- 11440) presented for approval:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Resident on Washburn Rd. concerned with tile laying in the drainage ditch on Washburn Rd., which has debris plugging the flow. Trustees will look into this problem tomorrow.

Scotty B's LED's made the Trustees aware of a rebate on electric bills if they were to move ahead with plans to replace the remainder of the high wattage lights in the fire station. He will provide an estimate to the Trustees on the cost to replace the remaining lights with LED lights.

FIRE:

Chief Tate attended radio grant meeting in Sylvania.

The regional grant is \$95,517.82, FEMA grant will cover \$76,363.73 of that amount and the remainder would be the townships cost of \$19,154 for 24 radios.

Discussion held on selling the old radios to defer some of our cost for the new radios.

Andrew Bick made a motion to authorize purchase of our cost share for the new Motorola portable radios not to exceed \$20,000.00. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Bick-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

Chief Tate announced Jerry Lumbrezer has retired as of 4/3/19. Jerry has been a volunteer fireman for 42 years in the township.

Andrew Bick made a motion to accept Jerry Lumbrezer's resignation, with exempt membership. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll Call: Hassen-absent, Bick-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

Thank You Jerry, for your time and dedication to the residents of Richfield Township.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Ron Smith provided updates on issues and violations in the Township.

OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on the Morlock Asphalt LTD bids for Washburn Rd. seal coating of the parking lot at the maintenance building and Miller Rd. crack sealing.

\$1500.00 – Maintenance Building @ 3951 Washburn Rd. Seal coating parking lot.

\$1700.00 Miller Rd crack sealing

Further discussion on getting prices for the town hall parking lot and fire station. Morlock Asphalt will be contacted for additional pricing.

Discussion held on Allen Rd. and Washburn Rd. projects. Allen Rd. micro seal, discussion on splitting cost with Sylvania Township and Washburn Rd. to the Village limit to cape seal.

Berkey Village Mayor Jeff Rae contacted Trustees to fill potholes within the Village.

Steve Bettinger made a motion to repair potholes in the Village as pre-agreed for \$25.00 per hour plus materials. Andrew Bick seconded the motion. Roll call: Bick-yes, Bettinger-yes, Hassen-absent. Motion approved.

The County has contacted the Trustees to look into the additional road tax available for License plates that needs to be implemented before July 1st. There are two license plate taxes available for \$5.00 each. The Trustees agreed to not implement the additional tax.

Discussion held on the gas tax increase implemented by the State of Ohio effective July 1, 2019, which includes 10.5-cent increase on gasoline and a .19-cent increase on diesel fuel. The additional tax will increase the townships road fund by \$56,000 per year.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

The following information can be viewed 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 Steve Bettinger made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m., which was seconded by Andrew Bick: Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Bick-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

