

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

August 17, 2020

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Andrew Bick at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom Virtual Meeting. All present were asked to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Chairman: John Hassen – absent
 Co-Chairman: Andrew Bick – present
 Steve Bettinger: present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the August 3, 2020, meeting, current Cash Summary Report, August Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Steve Bettinger made a motion to approve the August 3, 2020, minutes as presented. Andrew Bick seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen- absent, Bick-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (12005 - 12015) presented for approval.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Question concerning the crack fill on Miller Rd. is Miller Rd. being sealed this year or just crack filled? Miller Rd is only getting crack filler this year. Trustee Bick said they should look into sealing Miller Rd. next year which may prolong the life of the road.

FIRE:

Chief Clonch received a letter of gratitude from the City of Toledo Police Chief Kral thanking Chief Clonch and Richfield Township Fire department for attending the funeral of Anthony Dia along with assisting to block traffic for the procession.

Lieutenant Crooks was able to repair the siren on the rescue unit that was out of service, it is now back in service.

Received resignation letters from Thomas Trax and Ian Clement.

Trustee Bettinger made a motion to accept the resignation from Thomas Trax and Ian Clement with the option to rehire as requested by Chief Clonch. Roll call: Hassen-absent, Bick-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

Application received from Maggie Bernath for the fire department.

Trustee Bick made a motion to hire Maggie Bernath to Richfield Township Fire department pending a drug screen, background check, and physical, with a one year probation. Trustee Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen- absent, Bick-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

Further discussion on the 3 mill staffing levy. Chief Clonch stated if the levy does not pass we will no longer have any paid personnel; we will rely solely on volunteers. He further stated all expenses for replacement equipment, fire gear will fall on the township along with providing the safest environment for our volunteers. Currently our youngest apparatus is 22 years old, and our youngest ambulance is 18 years old.

Chief Clonch has set up a town hall meeting to educate the residents on the needs of this levy to maintain a safe community. The meeting will be held on September 3, 2020 at 7pm. at the fire station.

ZONING:

Mr. Smith looking into some complaints concerning a camper parked on or near the property owned by Little Learners day care center with 2 people living in said Camper. He will report back at the next scheduled meeting.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Conversation held on The Cares Act Fund, Chief Clonch provided a break down of expenses that are Covid19 related. Fiscal Officer will transfer all covid related expenses to the Cares Act fund for expenditures.

State bank CD is up for renewal, current rate is .7% for 3 years. Several banks were called for current rates; this was the average rate.

Andrew Bick made a motion to renew the State Bank CD at .7% for a 3 year period. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion, Roll call: Hassen- absent, Bick-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Bettinger reported there was damage to an eaves trough at the Town Hall due to wind damage. He received an estimate of less than \$200.00 from a local resident.

ROADS:

Trustee Bettinger reported Murd Rd. is sealed and complete, Miller Rd. is cracked filled, they are working on Washburn Rd.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion on the new trash containers to be used at township buildings. Trustees were in agreement to remove the dumpster at the fire station, replace with 1 large dumpster.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Bick reported town hall is going to be rented out 3 days a week from a baton twirling class, this will be during the week when there are very few rentals.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

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

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 7:45 p.m., which was seconded by Andrew Bick: Roll call: Hassen -absent, Bettinger-yes, Bick-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

