

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

June 20, 2022

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the June 6, 2022, meeting, current Cash Summary Report, Revenue Report, May Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

John Hassen made a motion to approve the June 6 2022 minutes as presented. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Lumbrezer –abstained, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (12799- 12807) were presented for approval:

Andrew Lumbrezer 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, Lumbrezer-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments

FIRE:

Vehicle #MEDIC 58 out of service due to cot loading system malfunction, Trustees approved repairs for approximately \$1500.00.

Chief Clonch presented a resignation letter from volunteer CAPTAIN fire-fighter Ed Fitzpatrick, Ed has served 27 years as a volunteer.

John Hassen accepted the resignation of Ed Fitzpatrick from the volunteer fire department. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Hassen-yes, Lumbrezer-yes. Motion approved.

Discussion on fire department personnel wages. Currently fire-fighters/EMT are making \$15.00 per hour, paramedics \$16.00 per hour.

Steve Bettinger made a motion to increase the fire department wages as follows: Full time personnel: \$20.00 per hour. Part-time FIREFIGHTER / PARAMEDIC personnel: \$19.00 per hour. PARTTIME FIREFIGHTER / EMT \$18.00 per hour. Effective pay period ending July 1st, 2022. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Hassen-yes, Lumbrezer-yes. Motion approved.

DEPUTY CHIEF POSITION TO REMAIN VACANT AND USE THE \$1000.00 SALARY STIPEND TO BE USED TO CREATE 2 ADDITIONAL EMT/Lieutenant positions AT \$500 EACH ANNUALLY.

The department received a grant for approximately \$33,000.00 for the purchase of two cameras and gas meter.

ZONING:

Zoning inspector Smith provided updates on zoning violations.

OLD BUSINESS:

There remains 2 BZA positions open as well as 1 vacancy on the zoning board. Ads were placed on the website and on the Richfield Township Community site.

Steve Bettinger made a motion to go into executive session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss fire department staffing issues. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Hassen-yes, Lumbrezer-yes. Motion approved.

Steve Bettinger made a motion to return to the regular scheduled meeting at 7:35 p.m. Andrew Lumbrezer seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen-yes, Lumbrezer-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

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.richfieldtp.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 Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to adjourn at 7:36 p.m., which was seconded by Steve Bettinger: Roll call: Hassen -yes, Bettinger-yes, Lumbrezer -yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer
