

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

November 7, 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 October 17, 2022, meeting, current Cash Summary Report, Revenue Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

John Hassen made a motion to approve the October 17, 2022 minutes as presented. Andrew Lumbrezer seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Lumbrezer –yes, Hassen-approved. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (12954- 12973) 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: Lumbrezer-yes, Bettinger-yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments

FIRE:

Repairs completed on the 2009 Ford Truck Expedition.

Chief Clonch provided updates on the ISO rating (An ISO fire rating is a score provided to fire departments and insurance companies by the Insurance Services Office).

Richfield Townships ISO rating has improved by three ratings going from a class 7 to a class 4 rating. Increase in ratings was due to: increase in staffing with two full-time daytime staff 7 days a week, County wide dispatch system, Toledo water in the Village of Berkey, task force in place for water.

The improvement will provide reductions in insurance premiums. For residents within 1000 feet of a hydrant they will receive a greater discount. Residents will need to contact their insurance providers to receive the discount.

Discussion on Lucas County EMS.

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

Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to go back into regular session at 7:30 p.m. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen-yes, Lumbrezer-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Smith provided updates on zoning violations

OLD BUSINESS:

Two estimates received for a cemetery program.

Web Cemeteries	\$7134.00	Hosting/Support yearly fee: \$1668.00
Cemify	\$7000.00	Hosting/Support yearly fee: \$1059.00

Discussion was tabled.

Continued discussion on snow removal rates for the Village of Berkey. The current rate was set approximately 30 plus years ago at \$800.00 per year. Trustees agreed in order to cover the township cost of fuel, wages, maintenance on vehicle the rate needs to be increased to \$1700.00 per year. A letter will be sent to the Mayor informing them of the increase.

NEW BUSINESS:

Road maintenance supervisor Kraig Gottfried put in his resignation as of November 18th. Discussion held on the hiring of a new road maintenance supervisor, ads will be placed via JAZZHR on-line.

ROADS:

Trustees signed Engineering Assistance documents for repairing tile, cleaning of ditch on Miller Rd. Fiscal Officer will send over the documents to the Engineers office.

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 8:15p.m., which was seconded by John Hassen: Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Lumbrezer -yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer
