

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

April 17, 2023

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the April 3, 2023 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, Revenue Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to approve the April 3, 2023 minutes as presented. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger- yes Lumbrezer –yes, Hassen-yes. Motion approved.

**PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:**

The attached listings of warrants (13145 - 13159) were presented for approval:

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No public comments.

**FIRE:**

No fire report.

## **ZONING:**

Zoning Inspector Ron Smith provided updates on zoning violations in the township.

Zoning violation letter will be sent to resident on Kilburn Rd. for blight, junk vehicles on the property.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Lumbrezer reached out to KFB Design for discussion on designing a plan for a new community building in the township. The present fire bond levy will fall off at the end of 2023.

Trustee Lumbrezer spoke with the Lucas County Sheriff's office regarding contracting for police protection. The Sheriff's office proposed handling the schedule with a sign-up sheet for shifts, as well as invoicing the township for agreed upon hours.

Shift hours would be from 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. for 1 - 2 shifts per week on various days. The flat rate for the deputies would be \$68.13 per hour. There would be no liability for the township if we were to go this route versus contracting with the deputies. This would also benefit the deputies as they would continue to earn money for their pensions. There would be no contract, township could change or discontinue at any time.

There was further discussion on the budget, as well as hours per month. Budget will allow for the hired deputies as the rubbish contract was cancelled a couple years ago allowing the township to save dollars for 911 services as well as the hiring of the deputies.

Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to hire Lucas County Sheriff's deputies in the township for 64 hours per month (2 shifts per week) for \$4360.32 per month. John Hassen seconded the motion. Roll call: Hassen-yes, Lumbrezer-yes, Bettinger-yes. Motion approved.

Trustee Hassen reported the demolition of the house on Sylvania Avenue was postponed due to the electricity was still on at the residence. Toledo Edison was contacted, they will schedule the disconnect.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Lumbrezer recieved a complaint regarding a box mounted on a pole on Washburn Rd.. Zoning Inspector Smith will investigate further.

Trustee Hassen attended the Lucas county Health Department meeting, there will be no increases in 2023.

Trustee Hassen reported he is now an alternate on the Lucas County Solid Wste Management committee.

**ROADS:**

No business.

**PUBLIC NOTICE:**

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

The following information can be viewed on the Richfield Township website at:

[www.richfieldtwp.com](http://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 7:20 p.m., which was seconded by Andrew Lumbrezer: Roll call: Hassen -yes, Bettinger-yes Lumbrezer -yes. Motion approved.

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Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

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