

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

November 19, 2007

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Arthur Nevers at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 3951 Washburn Road, Berkey, Ohio.

ROLL CALL:

Trustee Chairman: Karen Winn – absent
Vice-Chairman: Arthur Nevers - present
Donald Eisel –present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the November 5, 2007 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, September and October Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Donald Eisel made a motion to approve the November 5, 2007 minutes as presented. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (4028 – 4059) were presented for approval:

Donald Eisel made a motion to approve payment of the attached listing of invoices and the corresponding pending warrants. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

ZONING:

Mr. Hassen gave a report on wind turbines and zoning requirements from other townships.

Zoning Inspector Hassen reported the property owners at 10060 W. Bancroft have not reported on the progress of removing the trailer, Mr. Hassen will contact the property owners.

There was further discussion on the property at 4216 Lathrop Rd. Karlene Henderson (Assistant Lucas County Prosecuting Attorney) responded per email as follows: in order for the prosecutor’s office to issue a formal opinion, the topic must be broad and applicable to other townships. The questions raised in the zoning matter are specific to a particular property and situation within the township.

Ms. Henderson has advised the township if the parcel in question does not comply with the zoning regulations for building because it does not have continuous frontage, then it is an unbuildable lot. Legal problems with the split are the sole responsibility of the owner.

Mr. Hassen will inform the zoning board of the above legal opinion from the Prosecutors office.

Mr. Hassen is researching zoning information on sexually oriented businesses; further reporting he has spoke with Molly Maguire (Lucas County Plan Commission) and will meet with her in the near future to go over details. He further reported he has contacted the City of Toledo for copies of their regulations on sexually oriented businesses.

The November 12, 2007 zoning minutes were read.

The Special Use Permit for landscape and nursery business at 10745 Central Avenue was considered and approved with conditions by the Lucas County Planning Commission on October 24, 2007.

A public hearing will be held for the Special Use Permit for landscape and nursery business at 10745 Central Avenue on December 3, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at 3951 Washburn Rd., Berkey, Ohio. Public notices will be placed in the Blade and at the Township Maintenance Building.

FIRE:

Chief Tate reported the fire department needed to replenish their medical supplies.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to purchase EMS supplies not to exceed \$700.00. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

Chief Tate presented an application from Dan Lumbrezer to the volunteer fire

department.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to hire Dan Lumbrezer to the volunteer fire department contingent upon passing the background check, drug screen and physical, with a one year probationary period. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

The Chief reported there are knicks and chips in the walls in the office; there was discussion on repairing the chips in the wall. Chris Hassen will be contacted for the repairs.

There was discussion on cleaning the carpet at the fire station. The Trustees were in agreement to have the carpet cleaned on a yearly basis.

There was discussion on purchasing a 1996 Horton Ambulance from the Bedford Fire Department. The 1996 ambulance would replace the 1970 van and will be used as a multi-purpose vehicle for heavy rescue, air wagon and rehab. The Bedford Fire Department is presently seeking bids for the ambulance.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to place a bid of \$14,000.00 for the 1996 Horton Ambulance from the Bedford Fire Department. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

Chief Tate and Trustee Nevers will attend the Harding Township meeting on November 26, 2007 to further discuss the possibility of Richfield Township providing fire protection and EMS services to Harding Township.

There was further discussion on setting up a meeting with the Lucas County Commissioners and Dennis Cole (Lucas County EMS Director) for follow up on previous discussions regarding financial assistance from the County to the volunteer fire department. The Fiscal Officer will contact the County Commissioners and Mr. Cole to invite to the December 17, 2007 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was further discussion on an alternate rubbish service. Due to the cost of fuel the rubbish pick-up has increased approximately \$7000.00 over the past couple years. The Fiscal Officer reported there would be no additional increase in liability insurance in the event the township picks up the garbage.

Discussion was held on the township providing free pickup on the first Monday of every month and providing a weekly service on subsequent weeks at \$1.50 per bag. Mr. Hassen researched and reported Bowling Green residents purchase colored stickers at \$1.50 per sticker and place the sticker on the bags for pickup. There will be further discussion at the next scheduled meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was discussion on whether residents can see township records before the Trustees review or if the residents should wait until after the Trustees review. The Fiscal Officer will be attending a three hour session on the sunshine law and will report the findings after the session.

A letter from the Lucas County Soil and Water Conservation District was presented to the Trustees. The letter is requesting \$500.00, which the County will match by 100% for the conservation of our soil, water, and other natural resources through education, information, and technical assistance.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to give \$500.00 to the Lucas County Soil and Water Conservation District. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

The rules and regulations for Wolfinger Cemetery were revised and reviewed.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to accept the rules and regulation for Wolfinger Cemetery as presented. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

See attached Rules and Regulations for Wolfinger Cemetery.

There being no further business Trustee Nevers made a motion to adjourn at 8:55 p.m., which was seconded by Trustee Eisel. Roll call: Nevers-yes, Eisel-yes. Motion approved.

**Northwest State
Board of Trustees
Approves
New Major and
Certificate Program**

Archbold, Ohio – The Northwest State Community College Board of Trustees, at its regular meeting today, passed a resolution to approve a new major in Logistics and Supply Chain Management. This new major, offered under the business management program, will also be offered as a one-year certificate program.

A degree in Logistics and Supply Chain Management will prepare students for careers in logistics management or for transfer on to complete a bachelor’s degree. Logistics is the second largest career opportunity according to the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals. Northwest Ohio is in the direct path for careers in this industry.

“One of the primary goals of the college’s strategic plan is the development of new programs and majors,” said Dr. Thomas Stuckey, president of Northwest State. “The college is always looking for new programs that will benefit our students and enable them to train for the fast-growing careers that are available to them in Northwest Ohio, and across the country.”

In other Board action:

- Approved the resignation of the Director of Grants and Research.
- Approved several miscellaneous employment contracts including the hiring of a full time accounts payable clerk.
- Accepted the gift of a Lincoln pitcher (circa 1870-1880) from Betty DeLaet of Paulding, Ohio.
- Approved a resolution to accept the 2006-2007 financial audit report. This report is available through the NSCC business office as prepared by the college’s auditors and reviewed by the State of Ohio Auditor’s Office.
- Approved a new wireless communication business expense policy.

**Evergreen Area
Students
1st Quarter Honor
at Saint John's Jesuit**

Saint John's Jesuit High School announced its First Quarter Honors for freshmen through seniors in the Evergreen area.

At the end of each quarter honores are awarded to students who have done superior work. Class Honors went to junior Zachary Crossover with a 4.0 or higher G.P.A. First Honors went to junior Chad Clendenin and freshman Ben Nevers with a 3.5 to 3.99 G.P.A.



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