

Richfield Township Board Of Township Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2006

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Donald Eisel at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 3951 Washburn Road, Berkey, Ohio.

ROLL CALL:

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the October 2, 2006 meeting, current Cash Summary Report, September Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Arthur Nevers made a motion to approve the October 2, 2006 minutes as corrected. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Winn-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (3304 - 3321) were presented for approval:

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

FIRE:

Chief Tate received an application from Tom Gilsdorf for the Richfield Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Arthur Nevers made a motion to accept the application from Tom Gilsdorf as a Fire/EMT for the Richfield Township Volunteer Fire Department subject to a six month probationary period; contingent upon passing a physical exam and drug screen. Donald Eisel seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

Chief Tate informed the Trustees George's Radio and Antenna has a seven year old one-hundred foot free standing radio transmission tower for approximately \$4000.00; the cost of a new tower is approximately \$20,000.00. The Chief explained the radio repeater would then have a solid power back-up because it would then be backed up by our automated generator auxiliary power system that runs the new fire station. This would insure that we not only maintain good communications with each other but most importantly insuring we would receive the pages (emergency calls) and communications from the county 911 communications center during a power outage.

The present tower located at the township maintenance building would be removed, this tower system is located partially on a neighbor's private property and they have requested we remove it at our earliest convenience. Our radio repeater is currently located at the maintenance building and is not backed up with an automatic auxiliary power source.

The Chief further explained a tower at the fire station would provide a good place to mount several other small antennas that aid the department in providing emergency services and would offer a clean looking installation of these other antennas. These antennas are currently installed on the interior of the station with unsatisfactory performance.

John Farley (Dispatcher) will obtain estimates on the installation of the tower and discuss further at the next scheduled meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Shawn Ferguson (CEO of LCIC) was present to discuss the role of the LCIC (Lucas County Improvement Corporation). The LCIC and its member agencies provide economic development assistance for Lucas County and many of its communities. The LCIC was founded to foster the development of Lucas

County and ensure the necessary resources are in place to help businesses grow and thrive.

Mr. Ferguson stated the role of the LCIC is to assist in development; further stating it is the community's decision to develop land and the LCIC will follow up accordingly. Mr. Ferguson advised reviewing the present Land Use Plan and Zoning Laws. He further stated the formation of a JEDD (Joint Economic Development District) is imperative and the language can be negotiated.

There was discussion on the use of windmills for an alternate energy source. Trustee Eisel stated a velocity study would have to be done to see if Richfield Township could benefit from the windmills. Mr. Ferguson will research available funding for a test site.

ZONING:

The October 9, 2006 minutes were read.

ROADS:

Trustee Winn reported the Lucas County Engineer's office estimated \$89,000.00 for the Miller Road Drainage project. There is a potential of a \$15,000.00 contribution towards the cost if we choose to go with a cooperative project.

Karen Winn made a motion to authorize Lucas County to go out for competitive bid for the Miller Road Drainage project. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

There being no further business Arthur Nevers made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m., which was seconded by Karen Winn. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 6, 2006

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Donald Eisel at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 3951 Washburn Road, Berkey, Ohio.

ROLL CALL:

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

Fire Chief Ron Tate, Zoning Inspector John Hassen,

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the October 16, 2006 meeting, current Cash Summary Report and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Arthur Nevers made a motion to approve the October 16, 2006 minutes as presented. Karen Winn seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Nevers-yes, Winn-yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (3322 - 3351) were presented for approval:

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

FIRE:

Chief Tate attended the Lucas County Fire Chiefs meeting on October 25, 2006 in Spencer Township.

The fire department will be hosting an EMT basic class starting in December 2006.

The Chief presented a resignation letter from Guy Hutchinson from the volunteer fire department.

Donald Eisel made a motion to accept

the resignation of Guy Hutchinson from the volunteer fire department. Arthur Nevers seconded the motion. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

A letter from Sheriff James A. Telb was received with an attached list of the radios ordered from Motorola. Funding was received from the 911 levy along with UASI and Homeland Security Grants reducing the Township cost on both the mobiles and portables.

George from George's Radio and Antenna was present to discuss the sale of a used radio transmission tower. The tower is made to State of Ohio specifications and was manufactured in 1992. The cost of the tower is \$4000.00, installation \$5000.00, equipment for installation \$4000.00 for a total cost of \$13,000.00. If purchased new the cost of the tower is \$27,000.00. George informed the Trustees because it is a used tower there are no guarantees from the manufacturer.

The Clerk will contact Hylant Insurance Co. for information on the liability and insurance coverage of the used tower.

Trustee Nevers reported a punch list has been completed at the fire station. Mr. Nevers will contact Dotson's for three sets of manuals. Noron has been contacted and is repairing the furnace. Chief Tate reported there continues to be a problem with the hot water system.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was discussion on building a memorial for the Firemen, Policemen and all Military Personal of Richfield Township at the Southwest corner of the fire station. Joe Okus presented an artist rendering featuring seven monuments to represent each branch of the Armed Service along with the Fire and Policemen. The floor of the memorial would be made with paver stones which could be sold to family members for placement of names. Mr. Okus has volunteered to search for private funding along with grants for the construction of the memorial. The Trustees were in support of building the memorial with private funding and grants.

Trustee Winn reported she has set up a workshop with the Lucas County Commissioners on November 30, 2006 at 6:00 PM at the fire station to begin the process of discussing Joint Economic Development Districts (JEDD).

Trustee Nevers attended the annual Lucas Soil and Water Conservation meeting on November 2, 2006. The Sheriff's Office spoke on their work with the investigation and detection of methamphetamine labs, the equipment used and needed in the clean up of the labs, and the medical protocols involving kids and adults found in meth labs.

Trustee Nevers attended the grand opening of the Poggemeyer Design Group office in Toledo, Ohio on October 26, 2006.

Trustee Winn attended the Township Association meeting held in Jerusalem Township. Further information will be presented at the next scheduled meeting.

ZONING:

Mr. Hassen reported a property owner on Kilburn Rd. is building a pole barn without a permit. He further stated the property owner has been contacted and the building has been red tagged. The property owner has ignored the zoning violation notice; therefore Mr. Hassen will contact John Walters (Lucas County Chief Building Official) for further assistance.

There was discussion on the construction of a car port on Miller Road.

ROADS:

Trustee Winn reported the Lucas County Engineer's office is writing up a legal description and easement documents for Miller Road.

Ms. Winn reported Pat O'Boyle (Lucas County Engineer) is drafting the Joint Project Agreement for Allen Road.

A letter was presented from the Lucas County Engineers office informing the Trustees they have completed the recommendation for the drainage problem along the west side of Lathrop Road between Ten Mile Creek and the State line. The overall project would include re-grading approximately 260 feet of existing ditch; removal of the six inch drive pipe and replacing it with forty feet of twelve inch R.C.P.; constructing approximately 329 feet on new ditch and the reconstruction of one stoned drive apron.

There being no further business Arthur Nevers made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m., which was seconded by Karen Winn. Roll call: Eisel-yes, Winn-yes, Nevers-yes. Motion approved.

Parade of Lights

The community of Metamora is holding its annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Parade of Lights December 3rd at 6:00. Pictures will be available with Santa at the Evergreen Community Library this year as well as horse drawn wagon rides. Refreshments will be available in front of the bank and Library.

Voice of Democracy

by: Doris Crowell

VFW 7574 Auxiliary President

The VFW Post 7574 and Ladies Auxiliary had two winners to send on to District.

From Evergreen High School 1st Place - Marc Pardee of Metamora, Ohio.

2nd Place - Tony Smith of Metamora, Ohio.

From Fayette High School 1st Place - AQby Coger of Fayette, Ohio.

2nd Place Nathan Staltzfus of Archbold, Ohio.

3rd Place - Amber Beers of West Unity, Ohio.

The theme was "Freedom Challenge".

We would like to wish good luck and thanks to all the participants of the Voice of Democracy for 2006-2007.

Metamora Student Accepted into People to People Academic Program

Ryan Starcher, a student at Evergreen Middle School, has been accepted into the People to People World Leadership Forum. Starcher will join a select group of students in Washington D.C., March 26-April 1, 2007 to earn high school credit while studying leadership and exploring some of the United States most prominent monuments and institutions.

From Capitol Hill to the Smithsonian Institute, and from Colonial Williamsburg to the National Museum of American History, Starcher will examine the characteristics of American leadership during times of national challenge and prosperity. Forum delegates will also participate in small-group discussions and exercises to experience firsthand how successful leaders develop strategies, make decisions, build consensus, and foster change.

Starcher was nominated and accepted for the honor based on outstanding scholastic merit, civic involvement and leadership potential.