

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

June 17, 2024

The regular meeting of the Richfield Township Trustees was called to order by Steve Bettinger at 7:00 p.m. at the Richfield Township Maintenance Building, 3951 Washburn Rd., Berkey, Ohio. All present were asked to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Andrew Lumbrezer – absent
Co-Chairman Steve Bettinger – present
Andrew Bick – present

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the June 3, 2024 meetings, current Cash Summary Report, Revenue Report, May Bank Reconciliation and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Andrew Bick made a motion to approve the June 3, 2024 minutes as presented. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: Bettinger – yes, Bick-yes, Lumbrezer-absent. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (136823- 13702) were presented for approval:

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

FIRE:

Cheif Clonch reported the fire department is still in need of volunteers. Presently there are few volunteers to cover calls. If you are interested in joining our crew please stop by the station Monday-Friday to speak to our day crew or call 419-829-2055 and leave a message.

ZONING:

No report.

ROADS:

No business.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustees reviewed time sheets and police reports.

Trustee Bick attended the Lucas County Township Association meeting, he provided a brief report as follows:

- Townships are not happy with the County maintenance, upkeep on the roundabouts. The County has agreed to reimburse townships for materials for the upkeep on the roundabouts.
- Lucas County has agreed to pay the townships the same amount as they are paying the subcontractors to mow the county roads.
- Reported there is a cooperative crack sealing program for all townships in Lucas County.
- There has been ongoing conversation regarding the State of Ohio approving Counties to take over zoning. If townships have over 5000 residents they can put a limited home rule on the 2024 ballot to keep the State from taking over their zoning. Richfield Township can not apply due to less than 5000 residents in the township.
- Discussion on a need for a representative for the RCOG (Regional Council of Government) Board, as well as the OneOhio Foundation (Opioid money fund). See attached resolution 061724-01 supporting the endorsement of a representative to the OneOhio Recovery Foundation Region.

Discussion on vacation time for part-time employees. The employee handbook needs to be updated, sections will be reviewed at future meetings.

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.

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 Bick made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., which was seconded by Steve Bettinger: Roll call: Bettinger-yes, Bick-yes, Lumbrezer-absent. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

