

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

September 3, 2024

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The clerk provided copies of the minutes from the August 19, 2024 meetings, current Cash Summary Report, Revenue Report, and Pending Warrants Report.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Steve Bettinger made a motion to approve the August 19, 2024 minutes as presented. Andrew Bick seconded the motion. Roll call: All voted yes. Motion approved.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS:

The attached listings of warrants (13783- 13799) 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: All voted yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Myra Condon, Zoning Board member questioned the Trustees on the recent letter sent out to some residents from a realtor inquiring to purchase land for a data center. Trustees were not aware of such letter. Chief Clonch will contact the county to gather additional information.

Ryan Sedlock, PT fire fighter/EMT/Volunteer hired recently introduced himself to Trustees.

FIRE:

Chief Clonch presented a new application from Tanner Glass for part-time/volunteer employment.

Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to hire Tanner Glass as a part-time fire-fighter/EMT/Volunteer pending a background check, physical and drug screen with a one year probationary period. Andrew Bick seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion approved.

Night time staffing began on September 1st, 2024 which entails having two volunteers every night.

Estimate received for the purchase of 25 sets of firefighting gear per Fire Safety Services, Inc. Total: \$111,700.00, expenses covered by the recent FEMA grant. The Townships required spending portion not covered is \$6,047.62.

Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to approve the purchase of 25 sets of fire fighting gear from Fire Safety Services, Inc for \$111,700.00. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion approved.

Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to go into executive session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss personnel. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion approved.

Andrew Lumbrezer made a motion to return to our regular scheduled meeting at 7:35 p.m. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. Roll call: all voted yes. Motion approved.

Andrew Bick made a motion to promote Chief Clonch to Public Safety Director/Township Administrator, date to be determined and promotion of Deputy Chief Pete Scarborough to Fire Chief, date to be determined. Steve Bettinger seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion approved.

Fire department received 2012 ambulance from Lucas County for 0.00 dollars.

ZONING:

One zoning permit issued.

ROADS:

Discussion on Miller Rd. project, hired contractor has not contacted the County Engineer's office yet to meet for pre-construction meeting.

Discussion on the joint cooperation agreement from engineer's office on the Washburn and Richfield Center Rds. Pavement project. Trustees agreed to approve.

See attached Joint Cooperation Agreement for Washburn and Richfield Center Rds. Pavement project from the Lucas County Engineers Office. Resolution: 090324-01.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustees reviewed time sheets and police reports.

Fiscal Officer presented the RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVEIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. Trustees reviewed documents and county auditors estimate of tax rates to be levied.

See attached Resolution: 090324-2 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVEIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

Lucas County Health Department provided an inspection report for the septic/leach fields. Inspection passed.

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 8:15 p.m., which was seconded by Steve Bettinger: Roll call: all voted yes. Motion approved.

Richfield Township Fiscal Officer

