

# *LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES*

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, November 7, at 7pm., at the Leroy Township Hall.

Present were: Chuck Klco, Linda Burhenne, and Richard VanPelt. Sharon Rodgers was absent due to illness.

**Guests:** None.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

**Correspondence:** Chuck read a letter from Abe Cantor, the attorney representing Leroy Township informing the trustees of the pre-trial settlement with Osborne, regarding his sign on Vrooman which does not conform to our zoning. Also a letter from ODOT was received responding to our request for a speed study by Leroy Township at 5-points. No speed change is recommended, however a sign does need to be replaced. NOACA sent a letter outlining their upcoming projects. The Trustees have no objections to any of their projects. Joe Ebenrode asked about Frary's restaurant application to upgrade the septic system.

## **Department Reports:**

**ZONING:** Myron reported 19 calls, two permits issued, one for an addition and one for a sign. He is waiting for information from Allega for site plan review for cement and/or asphalt plant on Vrooman. Myron suggests setting a fee for special zoning meetings and site-plan review. Don presented a comparison of Leroy's zoning fees with fees charged by surrounding townships. The document listed Leroy's current fees and recommended fee increases based on an average of fees from other townships.

Linda made a motion to approve a new fee for site plan review of \$500.00. Rich seconded the motion. All were in favor. Don said he would supply copies of the other townships' fees for the trustees to consider. New fees should be set in the December meeting.

**FIRE:** The Chief reported 18 calls since the last meeting. 387 year to date. Repairing of the paint on the engine has been done. The cost for the new diesel squad on state bid is \$132,630.00. Frank wants to sell the old squad before the new one comes so there is room in the fire station. Frank will contact a broker to sell the old squad. New radios are all here. They are at the EOC to be programmed. We are all set for the new radio system to take effect. Evelyn asked for a definition of false alarms. Frank said it's when they arrive and there is nothing wrong. False alarms are not a big problem for us.

**ROAD:** Charlie reported some cold patching and ditching done. The men are getting the equipment ready for winter.

**CEMETERIES:** We will plan the Paine Rd. cemetery dedication for Memorial Day 2012.

**PARKS:** Christmas tree lighting is Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. We are still looking for someone to play Santa.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**NELA gas & oil land owner consortium for land leases informational meeting at the community center on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. There will be drilling in Leroy Twp. The mineral rights ownership can be determined and recorded at the County Recorder. There will be a second meeting on December 22, at 6pm at the community center. A Minimum of 10 acre parcels is required. It's important to educate ourselves so that gas/oil companies don't take advantage of us.

Rich made a motion Resolution 11-24 to purchase a new diesel squad from McCoy Miller on state bid for a total cost of \$132,630.00. Linda seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye. This purchase is paid for from the 0.90 mill equipment levy.

**FISCAL OFFICER:** Request to transfer \$1,165.00 from softball appropriation 01f06 into their carry-over appropriation of 01f08B. Seconded by Chuck, all were in favor. Resolution 11-23.

Motion to pay all bills made by, Chuck, seconded by Rich, all in favor.

Next meeting: Monday, November 21, 2011.

Audience: Don asked about using "Word Press" to be able to update more on the townships website. The cost will be \$480.00-\$720.00 to convert the site to Word Press, but will save the cost of paying the company to do our updates. Don will also be trained to do the updates. Motion to proceed with the change by Linda, seconded by Rich, all were in favor. Evelyn asked if someone was blasting at the quarry around noon. Frank said it was the quarry. Evelyn also stated they are having trouble getting into the meeting house. Cliff has stepped down. Evelyn is currently acting president of the Heritage Association. Chuck reminded everyone to vote Tuesday.

Motion to adjourn made by, Chuck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Linda, all in favor.

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Chuck Klco

Chairman

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Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer