

# *LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES*

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, June 10, 2013, at 7 p.m., at the Leroy Township Hall.

Present were: Linda Burhenne, Chuck Klco, Richard VanPelt, and Sharon Rodgers.

Linda Burhenne, Chairman, opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

**Guests:** Mike Rock, the Riverside School Board Treasurer gave the financial report for the last couple of years and the projected expenses for the Riverside School District.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with corrections.

**Correspondence:** A pre-construction meeting is set for June 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m., at the Lake County Engineer's office regarding the 5-points round a bout. Detours will be Rt. 86, to Brakeman, or Brakeman, Paine, Carter. Residents are requested not to use Celizic.

Gerri Hausch gave Linda a list of historical restoration resources to contact for help with the Leroy Meeting House. Linda stated she has already contacted any resources available. We were not eligible for any money to help restore the Meeting House.

## **Department Reports:**

**ZONING:** Myron reported 14 calls received regarding zoning and 5 permits issued since the last meeting. A site plan from Allega for the southern property on Vrooman & Carter has been submitted. It is for an asphalt plant, which will be on the very far northeast section of the property. It will have another driveway and landscaping. The plant is a very low heat, non-toxic fumes, and environmental friendly. The trucks going in and out will not be backing up so there will be no backup noises. The plant itself makes no noise. The plans will be given to the site review board. On the 15<sup>th</sup> of July, Carmen Carbone will be here to present the plans, and then the zoning board will meet to review the details.

Myron stated he has issued five junk car notifications. Three of them were cleaned up. He has discussed our next step with the illegal sign that Osborne has put back up at the entrance ramp on I-90. The Township will have to start all over and site him again. The last time, Mr. Osborne, Myron, and our Attorney all agreed prior to the pre-trial that Mr. Osborne would just take down his sign, which he did. However, this was a verbal agreement; therefore, we have to start over with court proceedings since he has put the sign back up.

The Stein farm subdivision plans meet our current zoning, however there are questions concerning water availability and septic. Test wells are recommended. Also in question is; will the subdivision have a private driveway?

**FIRE:** The Fire Chief reported 38 calls since the last meeting, year to date 236. The 2013 EMS grant for \$2,500.00 was received. The chief is working on ideas to improve our weekend coverage. We only have one fulltime person so he has been mandated to work several weekends because of shifts not being filled. We currently pay on the average around \$2.00/hr. less to our part-time firefighters then other East end departments. The Chief stated he is looking at pay incentives for weekend coverage.

Linda reported the last C.O.G. meeting with the East end fire departments and political subdivisions discussed the purchase of an air truck.

**ROAD:** Charlie reported the project this year was to replace several failed crossover pipes. The men have been very busy doing this. We are still waiting for the final agreement with the gas company in order to start the repairs to Taylor Rd. hill. The hold-up has been between the contractor, gas company, and the county engineer. Side road mowing is also being done.

**CEMETERIES:** Our cemeteries are looking very nice. Several compliments were received about them. There were two funerals one in May and one in June. Total of nine this year so far.

**PARKS:** Next event is the fall September 7<sup>th</sup> garage sale. Leroy softball will be having their annual pig roast on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July. This is a fundraiser with all proceeds going back into the softball fields and equipment.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Continuation of proposed zoning changes.

At 7:30, Linda opened the meeting for public comment regarding the proposed zoning changes for the Eastern quadrant of Leroy Township from 1.5 acres to 3 acres with 200-foot frontage.

Mr. Gordon, one of two owners of the old Stein farm on Leroy-Thompson Rd. was present and ask than an extension for the zoning change be increased from a 6 mos. proposed time frame to one year. He stated it takes a long time for subdivision plans to be approved.

Don Crellin pointed out that these zoning changes have been in the works for well over a year. All affected residents were notified by certified mail and several public meetings have been held regarding this. The required amount of time is 30 days. With a 6 mos. extension, it will be well over a year since these changes have been discussed.

Chuck Klco made a motion to adopt the recommended zoning changes as presented by the zoning commission, making the Eastern quadrant of Leroy Township R-2 zoning, requiring 3 acres and 200-foot frontage. Linda Burhenne seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Burhenne, aye, Klco, aye, VanPelt, aye. Resolution 13-14.

Linda Burhenne made a motion to extend the effective date for a period of six months in addition to the required 30 days, which would be until January 10, 2014. Chuck Klco seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Burhenne, aye, Klco, aye, VanPelt, aye. Resolution 13-15.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Leroy Township Road levy expires this year. Therefore, Chuck Klco made a motion to certify to the county auditor the 1.5 road renewal levy to appear on the November 5<sup>th</sup> ballot, commencing with the year 2014, for a period of 5 years. Linda Burhenne 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Poll of the vote: Burhenne, aye, Klco, aye, VanPelt, aye. Resolution 13-11.

Chuck Klco presented Resolution 13-12 requesting to the Lake County Land Bank in conjunction with the "Move Ahead Ohio", demolition of the abandoned and risk to public safety structure located at 13844 Radcliffe Rd., permanent parcel no. 07A002M000120. Rich VanPelt seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Burhenne, aye, Klco, aye, VanPelt, aye.

Chuck Klco presented Resolution 13-13 requesting to the Lake County Land Bank in conjunction with the "Move Ahead Ohio", demolition of the abandoned and risk to public safety structure located at 13760 Seeley Rd., permanent parcel no. 07A0380000010. Rich VanPelt seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Burhenne, aye, Klco, aye, VanPelt, aye.

Charlie noted the title searches are completed, and he will be meeting with the Land Bank in the next two weeks. Both of the properties have liens against them. In addition, the Lake County Health Department has to do an "environmental" report on them.

**FISCAL OFFICER:** At the request of the fiscal officer, Linda made a motion to transfer the interest earned for May from general fund into the investment funds, and transfer 1.48 into gas tax, and 1.35 into motor vehicle from the general fund. Chuck 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all were in favor.

Motion to pay all bills made by, Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rich VanPelt, all in favor.

Next meeting: July 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

Audience: Don Crellin stated the zoning board will be working on "internet cafes". Linda Lonzak from Valentine Rd. ask why the trustees have never supported a school levy. Linda stated it is not the position of the trustees to do so.

Motion to adjourn made by, Linda, seconded by Rich. All in favor.

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Linda Burhenne

Chairman

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Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer