

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, September 16, 2013, at the Leroy Township Hall at 7 p.m.

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

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

Guests: None

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Correspondence: A letter regarding the on going lawsuit with Osborne regarding their illegal sign at Vrooman & I-90 was received from our Attorney, Abe Cantor.

Department Reports:

ZONING: Myron reported 21 calls and 4 permits issued since the last meeting. He has received two variance applications. He will also be meeting with the Lake County Prosecutor regarding illegal businesses. He is in the process of gathering more evidence. Piney Hollow open basement will be re-covered. Allega's plans are to meet with EPA, & Army Corp. of Engineers. Don Crellin from the zoning board stated the board would move ahead on changing all of Leroy Township to R-2 zoning. The Lake County Planning Commission recommended keeping all old subdivisions at R-1. There will be a public meeting regarding this zoning change on November 11th at 7 p.m. The old Girl Scout camp has been sold to an individual and can no longer operate as a camp. The trustees are discussing vacating Leroy Center Road, Hell Hollow area, and lower part of Seeley Road.

FIRE: Frank Huffman reported year to date 397 calls. He recommends removing Joe Palmer from probationary status to permanent part-time. He has met all of his training requirements. Mike Fearing has submitted his letter of resignation, effective September 20th. The mayors and managers of area fire depts. have authorized Cleveland State to do a study of the fire departments. This is very time consuming. Chief is not sure if he will participate. Testing for the two lieutenants and one captain position will be done this week.

ROAD: Jason was out due to surgery. Rich has been ditching and patching. The VFW is offering a flagpole and flag for the center of the round a bout. Celezic will get some material down on it in the spring from the county engineer. This is at Chuck's request since people are using the road as a detour during the round-a-bout construction. We may receive money for the flooding from this past July. Charlie has put in a request for FEMA assistance. Hopefully the round a bout will mostly be done by September 24th. The road dept. could use some seasonal help for a few week with mowing, 10-15 hrs. a week.

CEMETERIES: Rich Sr. stated that Leroy Township will not "swap" gravesites. If someone owns a grave(s) and wants another location, they will have to surrender their deed, be reimbursed for the cost at the time of purchase, and then purchase a new grave(s) at the current cost.

PARKS:

OLD BUSINESS: The Lake County Land Bank is having a hard time contacting the owner of the abandoned home on Radcliffe; therefore, until they are found nothing can be done with the home. Seeley Rd. house is moving forward for demolition. The C.O.G. is moving ahead on the purchase of the air truck. There is still some question as to how much each government entity will pay and how that will be calculated.

Regarding the old meeting house at Rt. 86 & Brakeman, we will have to use vinyl, to return the structure to its original siding would be extremely expensive.

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Linda to adopt the 2014 budget as submitted by the Lake County Auditor's office. Resolution 13-21. Chuck seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Burhenne, aye, Klco, aye, VanPelt, aye.

Rich made a motion to remove Joseph Palmer from probationary status and make him a permanent part-time firefighter/emt. Chuck seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Three residents have asked for a speed study for the roads leading to the roundabout. Also, a resident on Leroy Thompson has asked for a speed study for the lower portion by the creek.

FISCAL OFFICER: At the request of the fiscal officer, Linda made a motion to transfer 8.32 from investments to general fund, Chuck seconded the motion all were in favor. Linda made a motion to transfer \$19,504.40 from Gasoline Tax, to General Note Retirement.

Motion to pay all bills made by, Chuck, 2nd by Rich, all were in favor.

Next meeting: Monday, October 7th at 7 p.m.

Audience:

Motion to adjourn made by, Linda, second by Chuck, meeting adjourned.

Linda Burhenne

Chairman

Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer