

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING
MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, March 21, 2016, at 7 p.m., at the Leroy Township Hall.

Present were: Chuck Klco, Rich VanPelt, and Sharon Rodgers.

Rich VanPelt, vice chairman opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Guests: None

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Correspondence: According to the Lake County Port-Authority, unemployment is at 3.7% in Lake County, which is below the national average.

Department Reports:

ZONING: The Leroy Zoning Commission tabled the request for a zoning change submitted by French who has purchased property near Vrooman Rd. BP. This was at French's request since he stated he is in negotiations with Allega over their property.

FIRE: The Fire Chief reported 17 calls since the last meeting, and year to date 212 calls. Frank has applied along with the other area fire departments for a new air truck and additional fire house through The Ohio Developmental Services Agency Grant. A year-end report from Medicount was received. A total of \$46,776.43 was collected in 2016. Leroy Fire Department is sponsoring the Fire Investigation Unit meetings this year. They will be burning old cars in the parking lot for practice in May. An assessment fee for haz-mat respond to Leroy will be \$234.22 for 2016. If a department doesn't pay into it, then they will be assessed a fee if and when they are called to come out. That fee would be much higher. The pickup truck tailgate and bumper have been repaired. The new fire engine is still getting equipment put on it and should be delivered sometime next week. The front line squad warranty painting is finished. It is being re-lettered. The annual pancake breakfast is Sunday May 1, 9am-1pm., at the fire station.

ROAD: There are numerous pot holes showing up and the frost isn't out of the ground yet. We will be doing some cold patching. The skid steer is 13 years old and needs several repairs before summer. Rich is working on them. Some of the parts are hard to find since it is so old.

CEMETERIES: Two funerals, and two grave sites sold since the last report.

PARKS: The annual Easter egg hunt was well attended. About 75 kids in all. The recreation board and softball board are in desperate need of some volunteers. The volunteer positions do not take up a lot of time and any help would be greatly appreciated. Contact leroytwp@sbcglobal.net with any questions.

The annual community spring garage sale will be Saturday, May 7 from 9am-4p. Sign-up sheets can be picked up at the community room, fire dept., or found on line at leroyohio.com. Fee is \$5.00, which will assure your address of being shown on the map of Leroy garage sales for the day.

The Leroy Heritage Association is holding a fund raiser on April 17th at Park Rd. Grill from 1-4 p.m. See Lori Watson for tickets. Tickets are \$20.00 each, which includes spaghetti dinner.

OLD BUSINESS: Rich will ask Al if he would buff out any spots on the community room floor. Rich will find out which day he can do it and let Charlie know so he can get the buff.

Chuck attended the Lake County Health District annual meeting. There will be an 18% taxable rate increase for 2016. This means an additional cost of \$5,500.00, from Leroy Township's General Fund. They are looking into purchasing a building in Mentor. Their building on Mill Street was damaged beyond fixing from a fire last year. Their insurance will pay for the cost of purchasing another building.

A correction in the minutes of February 22nd was noted and corrected. It should read, "French's application for a zoning permit is for a concrete", not asphalt plant.

A request for a zoning change to the old Cedar Hills property has not been received yet.

NEW BUSINESS: Rich VanPelt, vice-chairman read the oath of office to Fiscal Officer, Sharon E. Rodgers for term beginning 4-1-2016 for four years.

FISCAL OFFICER: At the request of the Fiscal Officer, Chuck made a motion to accept the permanent appropriations, Resolution 16-08, 2nd Rich, poll of the vote: Klco, aye, VanPelt, aye.

Motion by Chuck Klco to accept the revised center line mileage of 20.889 for Leroy Township which reflects the removal of the lower half of Seeley Rd., which was turned over to the Lake Metro Parks. Rich VanPelt 2nd the motion.

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

Next meeting: April 2nd at 7 p.m.

Regarding the Leroy Meeting House, Gretchen Reed has volunteered to donate topsoil to smooth out areas around the meeting house. They have someone who will rake it out and then they will plant grass seed. Chuck said he would have the road dept. grade the driveway as well.

Audience: A resident from Kniffen road, Stacey Slater made a complaint about drag racing on Kniffen. She has reported it to the Sheriff's office, which would not respond to any of her complaints. Charlie will contact the Sheriff's office.

Motion to adjourn made by, Chuck 2nd by Rich, meeting adjourned.

Rich VanPelt, Vice Chairman

Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer