

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING
MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, April 18, 2016, at 7 p.m., at the Leroy Township Hall.

Present were: Heather Shelton, Rich VanPelt, and Sharon Rodgers.

Heather Shelton, chairman opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Guests: None.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Correspondence: A letter from The Lake County Planning Commission was received regarding a request from the current owner of the old Stein Farm on Valentine Rd. They are requesting an extension for an application of 4 phases of their lot split, which currently contains 1.5 to 2.5 acres per lot. Leroy Twp. zoning states all new lot splits must be at least 3 acres. The Leroy Township Trustees are not in favor of giving them an extension. Their plans do not conform to our current zoning regulations. A copy of the EPA permit renewal letter was sent to the Trustees concerning Frary's restaurant. Apparently this is an automatic permit renewal. Frary's restaurant has been closed for some time.

Heather Shelton stated she talked with the Ohio Facilities Construction Committee. The State Capital budget included \$50,000.00 for Leroy Township for repair of the South Meeting House. Jessica DeLong of the OFCC stated that it is quite positive that the money will be approved. It has to be 90 days from the time the appropriation is signed before funds can be distributed. Heather stated we need to make sure that one final job description is distributed to each contractor. We need to match the funds from the OFCC. Heather will find out if we can use the value of the building. Also we need to know how long the funds are available if we do not use them right away. Is there an expiration?

Department Reports:

ZONING: The Leroy Zoning Commission reviewed a zoning change request from owner of property, Mr. Kusar, to change the zoning to high industrial from current special interchange B2. This property is located across from Allega's property on Vrooman Rd. Dennis Keeney of the Zoning Commission stated they denied his request. The Lake County Planning Commission also did not advise making the zoning change. Mr. French is the businessman who wanted to operate a concrete plant on the property. The public hearing for JJJ, (Allega) zoning change request was continued until June.

FIRE: The Fire chief reported 9 calls since the last meeting. Year to date 136. The Fire Department will participate in the mock car accident at Riverside High, prom promise, on May 5th. The FIU will be conducting a class on May 20th, burning cars in the parking lot for practice. The new fire engine is in. They are loading equipment and making some cabinets. It also needs to be lettered. The Ranger was used on a grass fire this past week. The fire chief said he needs to put the old 2443 for sale on Gov. Deals. He also wanted to know the status of the old tanker at the road dept. The pancake breakfast is Sunday, May 1st.

ROAD: No report. Charlie Klco is out of town.

CEMETERIES: No report.

PARKS: Lori Watson stated the fund raiser for the Heritage Association went very well. They would like to find a bigger place to use for next year's event.

OLD BUSINESS: May 7th will be the 17th annual township garage sale.

Regarding zoning issues, Heather stated Allega's permit for materials storage at Carter & Vrooman Rds. expired October 2015. The BZA did grant a permit for storage, however there were regulations that had to be followed. They also have a permit for the asphalt plant which expires on June 22nd. Heather stated she and Myron need to meet with Mr. Allega. Mr. French's lease agreement should still require his own permit to operate a concrete plant. This is a question that needs an answer. Does a permit follow on a lease agreement to someone other than who applied for the permit? Or does the lessee need to obtain a new permit for what he wants to do on the property even if it is the same.

The Leroy Zoning Board of Appeals had an organizational meeting. Gerri Hausch is the Chairperson, Brian Crouse is Vice Chairman. We are still advertising for an alternate. Myron will be back in town on May 1st. He will schedule a meeting with the prosecutor, Trustee Heather Shelton, and himself.

A question was ask if Allega's property was for sale or lease. The Trustees think it is for sale.

NEW BUSINESS: Heather Shelton made a motion to hire as part-time seasonal help for the road department, Joseph Antalik, and Jacob Speisman at a rate of \$9.00 per hour. Rich VanPelt 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

Heather made a motion to put the 1990 engine for sale on Gov. Deals with a minimum bid of \$2,000.00. Rich VanPelt 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

FISCAL OFFICER: At the request of the fiscal officer, Heather made a motion to approve changes in appropriations as follows: Reductions within the road dept. fund 04a04, \$2,000.00, 04a0c, \$1,000.00, 04a05F, \$10,000.00, 04a09a, \$3,000.00, 04b01, \$10,000.00., Within Fire Fund, 10a01a, reduction of \$7,800.00., 10a03, \$2,000.00, 10a09c, \$1,200.00, 10a09F, \$2,000.00, 10a15, \$3,000.00. Rich VanPelt, 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

Motion to pay all bills made by Heather Shelton, 2nd by Rich VanPelt. All were in favor.

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

Audience: Discussion regarding zoning, see above.

Motion to adjourn made by, Heather Shelton, 2nd by Rich VanPelt. All were in favor.

Heather Shelton, Chairman

Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer