

LERROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7p.m. at the Leroy Township Hall.

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

Guests: Members of the Leroy Softball Board were present. Brian Gidley, Secretary, Bret Durisin, Treasurer, and John Chebra, League Director. The Fiscal Officer had met with the board and went over the auditor's recommendations for record keeping and receipting all money taken in. They will comply with the recommendations. Brian reported that he and Bret spent last winter working on a Cushman, rebuilding and restoring it. It has a dump bed, a high & low, and was appraised at a value of \$5,500.00. Bret and Brian donated it to the Leroy Softball League so long as it stays with the softball league and is used exclusively for the softball league. It will actually become property of the Township, and be insured under the Township insurance. It will fit in the small shed at the baseball field and be stored there. Brian also reported that their application for an ODNR grant for bleacher replacement was denied.

He spoke at length with the grants administrator and has a more thorough understanding of how the grant needs to be written and what can be requested. They plan on submitting another application for drainage around the fields, and fencing. The grant has to be sent in by February 2012. The carry-over money from 2011 will be used towards replacing a set of bleachers. The bleachers need replaced and are used quite regularly. The board would also like to increase the cost of registration from \$45.00 per child to \$55.00. Leroy still has the lowest registration fee. However in light of the cost of replacing bleachers and other work that needs done, they feel a \$10.00 increase would greatly help with the cost of these improvements. There will still be a family rate for families of 4 or more children.

John Chebra who has been with the board for some time would like to step down from being league director. Bret Durisin will become league director. This year there were 530 kids registered. The board would also like to start an adult league. They also are considering a basketball court, perhaps next to the playground.

They trustees stated they are in favor of a basketball court, perhaps even along the side of the pavilion. Linda made a motion to approve the increase in the registration fee to play softball from \$45.00 to \$55.00 per child, 2nd by Chuck, all were in favor.

The softball league was thanked for all of their hard work and dedication. They do an outstanding job.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Correspondence: An update from Attorney Abe Cantor, regarding the law suit with Osborne's sign and the township zoning code was received.

Department Reports:

ZONING: The next meeting of the Leroy Twp. Zoning Board will be in January, which will be their organizational meeting. They will be looking at our zoning as it applies to "airports". Also Industrial Zones and our Conditional Use permits need to be reviewed. One of the residents next to Leroy Little Store is objecting to the "roundabout" which is going to take 300 sq. feet of his front yard. He stated that the township's comprehensive plan did not support a roundabout. The Trustees do support the roundabout at 5-points, it's a safety issue. A letter in support of the roundabout was sent to the Engineer's office in April of 2011.

Don Crellin will have David Ratachey complete the resolution concerning adult orientated business and forward to it Linda.

FIRE: The Chief reported 17 calls since the last meeting, year to date, 404. Repair work on the body of engine is being done. The chief provided the trustees and fiscal officer with an updated wages comparison of area fire departments. Currently Hamden pays basically the same hourly rate as we do. They however, just started day coverage. The chief proposed a 3% raise for all of the firemen. He also stated we should look at our EMS billing. We are not charging the insurance companies what the standard approved fees are. The new radios are

