

LERoy TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, May 7, 2012 at 7 p.m. at the Leroy Township Hall.

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

Guests: None.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with correction of the cost for water testing.

Correspondence: An inquiry from Attorney Abe Cantor, advising our zoning inspector that the suite over Osborne's sign was over, the sign is illegal as it does not comply with our zoning, and inquiring what the next step is that our zoning inspector is taking. Myron stated he is following the advice of our county prosecutor which is to send Mr. Osborne a certified letter stating that the sign is to be removed. Mr. Cantor will be so advised.

Department Reports:

ZONING: Myron reported one permit issued since our last meeting. He also received 12 phone calls regarding zoning. Allega owner stated that he would move the screener more towards I-90, which he has. Myron stated there appears to be more going on at the screening site since his last inspection. The lighting is not down lighting on either site, no permit for any operation on the south site has been issued. Also our noise ordinance takes effect after 11 p.m., and they are not in compliance with that either. In order to have the noise ordinance enforced, you need to file a complaint with the Lake Co. Sheriff's Dept. Myron spoke with Carmen Carbone, and he will see where the plans are that need to be submitted to the zoning inspector for the south end site on Vrooman Rd. The certified letter sent to the home owner on Brakeman regarding his junk cars has been returned to Myron, they will not sign for the certified letter. A letter was received from the Lake Co. Planning Commission regarding current zoning issues the zoning board is working on.

FIRE: Chief was not present, no report given.

ROAD: The men are still ditching and mowing cemeteries. Also work is being done to get an easement signed for the ditch on Callow Rd. which needs cleaned out and runs onto private property.

CEMETERIES: Nothing to report, no funerals.

PARKS: The annual Saturday garage sale went very well, it was a great day, and there were many sales and people shopping. The next event will be the annual softball pig roast. The rec. board will have their photo contest, and also participate at the pig roast. The softball boards purchased two sets of new bleachers this year from the funds carried over from last year, and some from this year.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Chuck presented resolution 12-13 authorizing the Lake County Engineer's office to enforce road agreements, weight limits, road usage, and bond requirements. Linda seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye.

The new Central Dispatch agreement which runs from 9-1-12 to 9-1-15 was presented to the Trustees for their signatures. There is a 1% increase for the 1st & 2nd year; the third year is based on the CPI, but not to exceed 3%. Chuck made a motion to table until the meeting in June to give the Trustees a chance to read over the agreement, motion was 2nd by Linda, all were in favor.

Rich made a motion to appoint Joe Villani as a part-time probationary firefighter, 2nd by Chuck, all were in favor.

Chuck made a motion to pay all bills 2nd by Linda, all in favor.

FISCAL OFFICER: Nothing.

Next meeting: Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7p.m.

Audience: Resident, Dan Phillips discussed possible future oil & gas well drilling. He asked the trustees to request a baseline of our water in Leroy, or to require a sampling plan from the Lake County Soil & Water Dept. The State is still working on revised rules & regulations for oil & gas well drilling. Dan Phillips asked the trustees to make a formal request for a meeting with the Lake County Soil & Water Dept., and the Farm Bureau. Chuck said they are waiting to see what the new regulations are. The Trustees were ask to inquire from Mogul Water Testing if they would give some sort of group discount for Leroy residents who wish to have their water tested. Linda will write to them. The O.D.N.R. monitors the current injection wells, which would also be done on any new wells. Chuck stated any monitoring of the air quality would be through the Lake County Health Dept. To date the Trustees have not received a response from their letter to our State Reps. regarding Fracking and waste generated by the drilling and emissions, and adequate resources be made available to enforce strict rules and regulations to protect the citizens of Leroy Twp. Dan Phillips stated, on May 30th at 7 p.m., at the community center the Lake County Health Dept. will meet with any concerned resident regarding water well testing. A mass mailing will be sent out, by the concerned residents to make everyone aware of the meeting.

Wanda Chop asked that the trustees not sign a lease allowing oil & gas drilling on township property. Chuck said once again, there would not be any oil or gas well installed on township property. There is no room. However, the state is going ahead with drilling, it is already being done in some parts of the state. Whether a lease is signed or not, the drilling is directional, and they could directionally bore under township property with or without any lease. If we don't sign a lease, the township would loose out on any lease money.

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

Chuck Klco

Chairman

Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer