

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, February 7, 2011, at 7pm., at the Leroy Township Hall.

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

Guests: None.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Correspondence: The Trustees received an invitation from the Farm Bureau to attend an agriculture/ecology meeting at Hellreigels on February 18th. Chuck or Rich will try to attend.

Linda stated she has received three applications for the open position of assistant zoning inspector. None were received for the zoning commission board or appeals board.

A letter of complaint was received from a resident on Lester Dr. complaining that his neighbor is still plowing snow from the neighbor's drive into his yard. We do not have any jurisdiction over this, as long as it is not left in the road. He has been told before to contact the sheriff's office.

The annual Lake County General Health District meeting is March 14th, if Charlie is back in town he will try to attend.

Department Reports:

ZONING: A letter was received from the Lake County Planning Commission showing their scheduled meeting dates for 2011.

Myron reported 22 calls since last meeting concerning zoning issues. No permits or variances granted. There are 16 open inspections, and 19 open violations, mostly illegal business complaints. There were 21 violations closed in 2010.

There have been four property sales so far this year in Leroy Twp.

Myron stated that Chuck from Metro Parks left him a message. Myron has not returned his call yet. It's presumed that it is over their plans for the old AMLA on Kniffen Rd. The Allega law suit is still on going. They have a permit for grading on the northern section of their property on Vrooman. No permit to grade the other section received yet.

Chuck stated that Dynes has his property listed for sale as "residential". He does not think he can do this as it was changed to commercial when he changed the house into a business. It is in a commercially zoned area.

FIRE: The Fire Chief stated he met with the Metro Park members, Charles Kensig, Chief Ranger Burko and the architect over their plans for a rental hall at the old AMLA on Kniffen Rd. They presented their plans, but they do not meet the fire code. They have done a lot of improvements, but the area has to be outfitted with sprinkler heads, as it can hold over 100 people. With the square footage available the area could hold well over 300 people. The Fire Chief said he will not sign off on this, even if they want to post a sign that states maximum of 90 people, the Park Board won't be able to enforce this once it's rented and full of people. They also told the chief they are a separate government entity and do not have to deal with our local zoning laws. The zoning inspector is verifying this with the county prosecutor.

The Chief stated there have been 33 calls since the last meeting and 54 YTD.

The Chief also wondered why their information didn't make it in this last newsletter. Sharon will check on this. The Leroy Fire Dept. was called to the gas explosion in Fairport Harbor. We responded with a squad and two firefighters, who eventually ended up fighting fires. There were no reported injuries, either fire department or residents.

There will be combined training with Geauga County Fire Departments for the first time on February 25th. In March the vehicles PMI will be started. Brian Gamble is now a medic. The assistance to firefighters grant application thru homeland security was received in the amount of \$11,400.00. This will be for a gas meter and a thermal imager. The Fire Dept. has to match \$600.00. No decision on the radio system yet. The Chief e-mailed his year end report to the trustees. April 10th is the annual pancake breakfast from 9am-1pm. The Fire Department is currently re-doing their web site.

ROAD: Rich Jr. reported plowing snow, some minor repairs to vehicles. Springs on the International had to be replaced. The backhoe needs maintenance. Cinders are currently hard to get. We have 5 loads ordered right now and are waiting on them.

CEMETERIES: Two funerals, Sharon gave the mapping for Vrooman Rd. cemetery to Rich Jr. to look over. This is the one that Burrows Cemetery Program is working on. We need to make any corrections/additions to it and return to them for the web site.

PARKS: No meeting this month. In April is the Easter egg hunt. The board is having hats and shirts made up to sell. They should be in by the end of March. The baseball board mailed in their grant request on time to the ODNR.

At 7:30 the public hearing was held for review of proposed changes to the zoning text, table of contents, adding sec 34 Estate Overlay Residential District, and minor changes to, Section 17 District-business B-1, and Section 18 Industrial and Manufacturing. Mostly "housekeeping".

(Copy attached) After review of the proposed additions, Chuck made a motion to approve the changes, seconded by Linda. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye. **Resolution 11-05.**

OLD BUSINESS: Linda asked if they other trustees had thought about the changes to payout of sick time. Rich asked that we check with the other townships first and see what their policies are.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

FISCAL OFFICER: Chuck made a motion to approve transfer of interest from general fund into Motor Vehicles of \$1.95 and into Gas Tax of \$3.31. Linda seconded the motion, all were in favor.

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

Next meeting: Monday, February 21st, 7pm.

Audience: Nothing.

Linda asked the two department heads to send her the grants and amount of dollars we have received from them for the last 3-5 years so that she can put an article in the next newsletter. Rich Jr. and Chief will do this.

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

Chuck Klco

Chairman

Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer