

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING

MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on January 23, 2012, 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 with correction.

**Correspondence:** Informational letter received from Abe Cantor, Attorney rep. Leroy Twp. vs. Osborne regarding reconsideration for hearing re; sign on Vrooman Rd.

Invitation to the annual Policy Development luncheon on February 10<sup>th</sup> at Hellreigels hosted by the Lake County Farm Bureau was received by the Trustees.

A letter of complaint was received by Linda Burhenne from a resident on Jennings claiming the timbering company was encroaching onto his property. Linda replied to him. This is something to be worked out between him and the timber company; this is not a Township problem.

The ODOT office of training sent formal documentation and certificates for employee Jason Rodgers and Richard VanPelt, whereby they have successfully completed the requirements of Level 1 and Level II of the Roads Scholar Training program. This course included six additional training courses beyond Level 1 covering essential topics in transportation and public works.

**Department Reports:**

**ZONING:** Don Crellin reported the Site Plan Review Committee met with Allega and are reviewing their plans in phases. Some changes had to be made to Phase 1. This is for a concrete plant and crusher. A buffer is needed along the sides of Carter and Vrooman Rd. Also underground electric cables should be run to avoid the hazard of overhead wires. Any dispute regarding noise, light, and dust, the owner (Allega) will pay for a third certified party to test and rule on. Also a scale and temporary trailer office is part of phase one. There will be no crushing done at night. Linda wonders if the Township will see any more tax revenue from this business. Don suggested the trustees review the Township noise ordinance. It is very lenient.

A public hearing on Sections 17 & 18 will be held March 12<sup>th</sup>. This refers to commercial & industrial, which will combine the two into one.

The Sexually Orientated Business Resolution has a fee within its resolution. Also we do not have to appoint anyone specifically at this time to review any applications. It can be done at the time an application is applied for.

Linda made a motion to approve Resolution 12-05, Sexually Orientated Business Regulations. Rich VanPelt seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye.

**FIRE:** The fire chief reported 51 calls since the last meeting. Year to date: 39. He also e-mailed his year- end report to all three trustees and the fiscal officer. Total calls in 2011 were 458. Frank thanked the Leroy Road Dept. for responding to the Carter Rd. garage fire. They helped remove the vehicles stored in the garage so that the firemen could better extinguish the fire. Tri-Point has a new medical director, which means a new set of protocols. There is an app. on the I-phones for obtaining the protocol. The chief is looking at obtaining a notebook for the squads where they could merely access the protocols on-line.

The annual pancake breakfast is Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The change over in the paging system is working well with the phones.

Plans on the new squad are still in the works.

Linda stated she attended a meeting regarding innovative funding. There is money through a grant available for feasibilities studies. The sharing of services has many questions, liability, taxes, etc.

Mr. Lawler is willing to check our fire extinguishers at a fraction over his cost. Chief is looking into it.

Chuck would like the chief to gather information for billing and send an invoice to Rasch's insurance company for the garage fire. This would be to cover the road and service department's time and equipment.

**ROAD:** The men have been plowing some snow. Fixing some mailboxes. They did a little cold patching before the snow hit. Also doing repair work on the International truck. Chuck said he talked to Ted at the County Engineer's office about grants on vehicle purchase. Information won't be available for a while.

**CEMETERIES:** Shirley Lassnick passed away.

**PARKS:** Nothing

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** We have another resident earning his Eagle Scout Badge. Chuck suggested that he contact the Leroy Heritage Association. There will be a Township Association meeting next Thursday at 6pm. Information concerning the Land Bank, and COG will be discussed. All three trustees plan on attending.

Linda questioned the ISO rating of Leroy Township. The fire chief said we are an 8. There is really no savings until we are a 6. He would like to work on reducing it. There are many factors that determine a rating.

Chuck made a motion to pay all the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda, all in favor.

**FISCAL OFFICER:** Nothing.

**Audience:**

Dennis Kohr asked about the Township leasing with Wish Guard, or NELA. Chuck said the township owns approximately 50-55 acres. The prosecutor is reviewing the lease agreement. There would be no surface disturbance, and no drilling sites on township property.

Next meeting: Monday, February 6, 2012.

Motion to adjourn made by, Chuck 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda, all in favor.

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Chuck Klco

Chairman

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Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer