

LERROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, June 11th 2012, at 7 p.m. at the Leroy Township Hall.

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

Guests: Friends of Camp Lejnar, Chief Delegate of N.E. Ohio, A. Randall spoke to the audience of the possible sale of the Girl Scout camp. Many camps have been closed, and Camp Lejnar is one that was scheduled to be closed as well. They would like to preserve the camp. The nearest camp is 90 minutes away. There will only be two camps left open. The group has filed a law suit against the Lake Erie Counsel in an attempt to hold them to their by-laws, which state the property has to be sold to the highest bidder. A flyer was passed out for their fundraiser Sat. June 23 from 1-6pm at the adjoining property owned by the Nash family to raise money for their legal expenses. Donations may be made @www.trefoilintegrity.org (thru PayPal) or mailed to Richfield Historical Society PO Box 215 Richfield, Oh. 44286 with memo: "save our camps legal fund"

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Correspondence: ODOT Dist. 12, 2012 construction projects are available to be viewed online at www.transportation.ohio.gov/dist12. The OPWC District Seven Official Township Ballot was presented for vote of up to three candidates. Chuck made a motion to appoint himself with Rich VanPelt being his alternate, James Hammar, of Freedom Township, and Patrick Cavanagh of Auburn Township. Linda 2nd the motion, all were in favor. The Lake County Planning Commission send the Trustees their proposed Lake County Subdivision Regulations Changes and notice of public hearing to consider the amendments which will be continued until June 26. Josh Winton, area Eagle Scout sent the balance of \$194.99 left from funds he raised for the improvements to the Paine Rd. Cemetery and asked that the funds be used for the maintenance of the cemetery. Josh earned his Eagle Scout badge by making a memorial area dedicated to the people who are buried there. The Township installed a flag pole with light, and a memorial stone with a plaque of all of the known names of people who were buried there. This Saturday, June 16th there will be a formal dedication of the memorial at 11am at the Paine Rd. Cemetery.

Department Reports:

ZONING: Myron reported 19 calls and two permits issued since the last meeting. Myron has the affidavit ready to file in Court against Osborne who has not removed the sign at I-90 and Vrooman even though the court ruled the sign was in violation of township zoning. Some of the junk cars on Brakeman Rd. have been removed. Two violations have been issued one for junk cars on Huntoon and one for signs advertising a nursery on Kniffen Rd. The Lake County Health Department did an investigation on the abandoned house on Radcliffe Rd. The report will be sent to supervisor Laura Coons, and then they will get in touch with Myron.

At 7:30 the meeting was opened for the public hearing regarding changes to the zoning text as recommended by the Leroy Zoning Commission. Table of Contents, Sec. 3-Districts, Section 7-General Requirements, Section 30-Site Development Plan Review, Section 31-Natural Resource Protection, Section 32-Architectural Design standards for Commercial Development and Section 17-commercial and Industrial District Regulations. Changes from two business Districts B-1 Business and Commercial and B-2 Special Interchange District into four. District B-1 General Business, B-2 Special Interchange, B-3, Community Business, and B-4 Neighborhood Business.

Linda made a motion to approve the zoning changes, 2nd by Rich VanPelt. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye. Changes will be effective 30 days from today. Resolution 12-14.

FIRE: The Chief reported 210 calls year to date. The pumper 2413 needed all new tires. The house at the corner of Seeley and Paine can't be burned. It is in litigation and is also listed at \$24,900, up for Sheriff Sale.

ROAD: Chuck stated road mowing is being done. Ditches are being cleared. Thirty feet from the center of the road to the other side of the road ditch is being cleared of brush and small trees. It does not look good after being done, however next year will look better. We have had a problem with people's invisible fences being put in the road right of way area. Two of them had just been laid on the ground and not buried and were caught up in the mower. Some dust control will be done on Chadwick & Seeley. Lester will be patched. The round-a-bout at 5-points will be started this fall. Money for this project is coming from OPWC, gas tax and the county. Leroy will not be applying for OPWC funding this year, as we have to have matching funds and we do not have any money for matching funds. Work is being done to try and have the speed limit reduced on Leroy Thompson Rd.

CEMETERIES: This Saturday at 11am a dedication ceremony will be held at the Paine Rd. Cemetery.

We had two funerals this past week. Many people have complimented the township on how nice the cemetery looks. A thank you letter will be sent to Mike and Debbie Lantz for their work on the war memorial area at Williams. A sign will be posted in the cemetery informing people to remove items that have been placed on the grave sites which do not comply with our rules and regulations. There are toys, beer cans, collections of items, solar lights, fences, statues, permanent plantings and several other items that people have placed on or near their loved ones grave. These items interfere with mowing and trimming. Some items are a hazard, glass items, hooks etc., and others become unsightly. If these items are not removed by August 1st they will be removed by the township if they do not comply with our rules and regulations. Letters will be sent out to the owners of these sites if we have an address, informing them that these items will be removed.

PARKS: Photo contest deadline is July 1st. Judging will be during the annual pig roast on July 7th. There will be games for kids, lunch and dinner will also be sold. The group hopes to raise enough money to purchase a tent each year so they don't have to rent them.

OLD BUSINESS: Chuck made a motion to approve the Central Communications Dispatch agreement commencing September of 2012 to September of 2015. 1st year, \$10,190.64, 2nd yr. \$10,292.56, 3rd yr. \$10,601.32 (maximum not to exceed 3%) Rich seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Klco aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye. Resolution: 12-15

NEW BUSINESS: Myron questioned the wording of the \$500.00 fee for site plan review. His suggestion was a fee of \$500.00 for any special zoning meetings for site plan reviews. However the fee scheduled and minutes read, any new site plan review shall cost \$500.00, regardless if heard at a regular scheduled zoning meeting, or a special meeting. Linda said the minutes were correct, she understood it would be for any time there is a site plan review. Rich Sr., thought as Myron suggested, the fee would be if there was a special meeting held for this purpose. Linda asked the zoning commission and zoning inspector to think about it until the next meeting.

Chuck stated that Lake Metro Parks is considering a replacement levy to be on the ballot this fall. This will triple the cost of this levy for homeowners. He requested the trustees write to the park board objecting to this and ask them to reconsider. Rich seconded the motion, all were in favor. A letter will be prepared and mailed to the park board.

FISCAL OFFICER: The Fiscal Officer informed the Trustees, (which consists of the records commission, that she has no public records to be destroyed at this time.

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

Next meeting: July 9, 2012, at 7p.m.

Audience: James McGaven from Leroy Thompson Rd. talked about Fracking. Also residents voiced concerns about traffic and risks of above ground pipe lines. Rich Sr. stated he is going to set up a meeting for Leroy residents with a geologist from Kent State to come out and hear residents concerns and hopefully answer some of their questions regarding oil/gas drilling and fracking. Notice will be posted on our web site and the board on Vrooman Rd.

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

Chuck Klco

Chairman

Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer