

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, March 24, 2014, at 7 p.m., at the Leroy Township Hall.

Present were: Rich VanPelt, Chuck Klco, Heather Shelton, and Sharon Rodgers.

Rich VanPelt opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Guests: None.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Correspondence: The annual bridge report from the Lake County Engineer's office was received. The bridge on the short end of Callow Rd. is still in bad shape. There is no date set to repair or replace it. Also, the bridge on Radcliffe Rd. is in need of repair. This is the Lake County Engineer's responsibility. Attorney Abe Cantor sent information regarding the pending lawsuit of Osborne's illegal sign at the corner of I-90 entrance ramp, (west), and Vrooman Rd.

Department Reports:

ZONING: Myron reported the next pre-trial date is set for May 19th regarding the on going legal battle with Osborne over his sign. An application and check was received by Myron requesting a variance for this sign. A hearing will be set by the Leroy Board of Appeals. The board of appeals decision will be taken to the pre-trial hearing on the 19th of May. The sign is presently located in the road right of way and needs to be set back. Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Josh Horacek will attend the board of appeals hearing. Myron has received 12 calls and issued one zoning permit since the last meeting. He will be starting back up his investigation of zoning violations, especially the junk vehicles. Myron also talked with the Lake County Health Department regarding the "farm" on Brakeman Rd. They stated it is very difficult to prove someone is living there.

FIRE: The Fire Chief was at work. Trustee VanPelt read his report. There were 27 calls since the last meeting, making a total of 130 year to date. The Chief has requested hiring Jeremy Szydowski as a probationary part-time firefighter. Rich also stated he attended the last COG meeting. Discussion was about purchasing a new air truck, how to access departments for the cost, who maintains insurance, maintenance, and billing of individual departments. The idea of a trailer for fire investigation was dropped. The next meeting is in August unless there is news about the grant, which was submitted for the air truck.

ROAD: The men were very busy plowing with our last snowstorm. Many miles have been put on the trucks this winter as well as a lot of salt usage. Our roads have really suffered this past winter. A sign will be put up warning people of the drop in the road where the culvert pipe crosses by Bradler's pond. The ground is wet, it freezes, and rises, which makes the culvert pipe lower than the road. We have about 15 of them currently like that in the township. They will go down some when the frost comes out of the ground. The men also did some small cold patching, and maintenance on the vehicles. We may be helping the county with the spray seal coating this summer. We will also be able to get several tons of grinding free from the county. Most of this will be used on Celezic Road. Of our summer help, Leroy Perry will return. We also have an application from Kai Kallio, who lives on Taylor Rd., and is in college who would like a summer job. Chuck made a motion to hire Kai Kallio as a part-time seasonal worker for the road dept. Rich 2nd the motion, all were in favor.

CEMETERIES: We have quite a list of footers to put in this summer. We also need to check with the Lance's who do the flowers and see Chuck has talked with Mr. Lawler, an Eagle Scout. He is going to submit plans for a flagpole & flower garden in the center of the round a bout. We will ask the county to submit the plans to the State for their approval.

PARKS: Softball registration is down a bit this year. They held one more walk in registration on Saturday.

Heather meet with some of the women of the Leroy Heritage Association. There will be another meeting on April 2nd at the community room at 10 am. There are several people interested in joining and finding ways to raise money to help preserve it. The annual township garage sale is Saturday, May 3rd. The Easter egg hunt is Sunday, April 13th at 1 p.m. On April 9th from 2-4 p.m., there will be a meeting at the Lake County Health Dept. regarding farmers markets and what stipulations apply to vendors. Heather was thinking that perhaps Friday nights at the park would be a good time to hold a farmer's market.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Chuck Klco presented resolution 14-06, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code 505.86(B) requesting removal of the structures located at 13844 Radcliffe Rd., Leroy Township, permanent parcel no. 07A002M000120. The owners of record of the property or holders of liens of record upon the property have 30 days to enter into an agreement with the Leroy Twp. Board of Trustees to perform removal. Failure to do so will result in the referral of this matter to the Lake County Land Reutilization Corporation for removal of the structure at the cost of the owner. Heather Shelton seconded the motion. Poll of the vote:

VanPelt, aye, Klco, aye, Shelton, aye.

Chuck Klco presented resolution 14-07, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code 505.86(B) requesting removal of the structures located at 13760 Seeley Rd., Leroy Township, permanent parcel no.07A0380000010. The owners of record of the property or holders of liens of record upon the property have 30 days to enter into an agreement with the Leroy Twp. Board of Trustees to perform removal.

Failure to do so will result in the referral of this matter to the Lake County Land Reutilization Corporation for removal of the structure at the cost of the owner.

Heather Shelton seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: VanPelt, aye, Klco, aye, Shelton, aye.

Copies of the above resolutions are to be mailed by certified mail to the owners of record of the property or lien holders of record upon the property. The Fiscal Officer shall also publish said resolutions once in the Lake County News-Herald.

Rich VanPelt presented resolution 14-08, permanent appropriations for the fiscal year 2014 as presented by the fiscal officer. Chuck Klco seconded the motion, poll of the vote. VanPelt, aye, Klco, aye, Shelton, aye.

Chuck Klco presented resolution 14-09, motion to enter into Winter Use Contract for road salt, through the Ohio Dept. of Transportation. For the period of Nov. 1, 2014, through May 31, 2015. Heather Shelton seconded the motion. Poll of the vote. VanPelt, aye, Klco, aye, Shelton, aye.

Rich VanPelt made a motion to appoint Jeremy Szydlowski as a probationary part-time firefighter. Chuck 2nd the motion, all were in favor.

Heather Shelton made a motion to appoint Anthony Falcone to the Lake County land Use Committee to represent Leroy. Anthony will take Evelyn Ross's spot.

Chuck 2nd the motion, all were in favor. Anthony is a member of the Leroy Zoning Board of Appeals.

Rich made a motion to transfer interest earned of in January and in February.

Also to transfer 1.83 and 1.69 into motor vehicle and 1.19 and .85 into gasoline tax. Chuck 2nd the motion, all were in favor.

FISCAL OFFICER:

The fiscal officer requested the trustees hire Jill Peasley as her assistant. Chuck Klco made a motion to hire Jill Peasley as the fiscal officer's assistant. Heather seconded the motion, all were in favor. Jill will work under the direction of the fiscal officer according to the job description for an assistant.

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

Next meeting is Monday, April 7th at 7 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Rich, 2nd by Heather, meeting adjourned.

