

## LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 7 p.m., at the Leroy Township Hall.

Chuck Klco, Chairman began the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Present were: Chairman Chuck Klco, Rich VanPelt, Heather Shelton (teleconferencing), and Julie Himmelman, Fiscal Officer.

Guests: Dan Himmelman, Zoning Commission Chair

**Minutes:** The reading of the March 30, and May 7, 2020 minutes were waived as all present had read them prior to the meeting. Rich made a motion to approve with corrections. Chuck seconded and all were in favor.

**Correspondence:** The Lake County Commissioner has set Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 10 a.m. for the hearing regarding the name change of the portion of Vrooman Road. Chuck, Heather and the residents on that portion of the road will be in attendance. Chuck feels that the change to Old Vrooman Road will be accepted and the county will continue to maintain the road.

### **Department Reports:**

**ZONING:** The Zoning Commission reported that they will leave Permanent Shipping Containers as a prohibited use. Noell was in attendance at the commission meeting and stated that she will begin issuing citations for the shipping containers.

There is a variance hearing regarding a 50-foot setback request on Monte Drive.

Mahr farms has a court date for next week, but it may be rescheduled.

There have been a large number building permit requests in the past few months.

The fee-free affidavit to be submitted for auxiliary buildings of 160 square feet or less has been added to the online zoning forms.

33 home occupations have expired. The zoning secretary will send out notices informing the homeowners of their need to renew their permit.

Heather reported that Noell had gone out to Cedar Hills and found a gate and fence had been installed, but there was no permit for it.

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### **Fire Dept:**

31 calls since the last meeting: 1 fire, 18 EMS, 4 service calls and 8 good intent calls.

Chief's new car will be delivered on Friday.

There are 2 new part-time fire fighter applications to review. Rich made motion to accept Alexander Gunnoe and Michael Brewer as probationary part-time fire fighters. Chuck seconded and all were in favor.

Rich made a motion for a new heart monitor/defibrillator to be purchased for \$29,686.03 with the CARES funds. Chuck seconded and all were in favor.

**ROAD:** Trustee, Chuck Klco gave the report. Proctor Road is just about done. Dust control was put down on Chadwick Road. There were problems with the tanker we received. This held up the process and they would have been done with Seeley. They are grading on Seeley and patching on Baker and Seeley. When the rebar comes in, they will begin working on the columbarium footers. Brandon Hosian hasn't been in for the last four days and is probably done for the summer. The trees around the park playground were taken down. Dan Himmelman will look at the pavilion issues.

**CEMETERIES:** A final bill needs to be produced before paying for the columbarium. Rich reported the columbarium can be ready by August 24 and that the specs were received by the Salem Stone. Chuck suggested pushing it out until the second week in September. Rich agreed, but noted the columbarium must be paid for before delivery. The Fiscal Officer stated that as soon as she received an invoice, she would pay it.

Cemetery fees were discussed. Increasing the number of cremains in a plot were discussed and it was decided to leave it at two.

Additional plots in Williams cemetery was discussed. Rich felt that there are still a few more plots that can be marked out. Ideas on how to update the maps were discussed.

**PARKS:** The weed-killer was put on the fields. The road supervisor will talk to DeMilta about getting dirt on the infield.

There will be a community-wide garage sale on September 19. Debbie Lefelhoc is handling the advertising. We will pay for the garage sale advertising even though it is

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not a township-sponsored event, as we haven't done anything this year for the Recreation Board. Brandy knows not use any of the township's facilities and not to collect fees. The fliers will only be in a "take one" box at the pavilion.

A decision will be made regarding Trick or Trucking at the September meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Lake County Land Bank has \$125,000 maximum matching funds for the tear-down of Leroy Elementary that will be available for at least one year. They require a bill and proof of payment for the expenses before reimbursing the township. Chuck will contact Riverside's treasurer to schedule a meeting with him and a few members of the Riverside School Board to discuss it.

Discussion was made as to what might be done with the property if we obtain it.

Soil and Water may be able to contribute toward the cost of a partial or full teardown with some use of the wetlands area.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

We have a little less than \$40,000 left of the CARES money. Dan Himmelman will research and make recommendations for laptops in case the COVID situation require the use of telecommunications for meetings again. Rich suggested a second vehicle, so that the road department workers can keep socially distances when traveling to work sites. It was decided that this would be considered if there were additional funds as suggested and that it would be allowed. Chuck will verify that Perry Township has had their truck purchase approved.

The Osborn land auction and its zoning were discussed.

Chuck made a motion to employ Logan Himmelman as a part-time assistant to the Fiscal Officer at the rate of \$9.50/hour while Sharon Rodgers is unavailable. Heather seconded and all were in favor.

The Fiscal Officer reported that on September 23, 2019 a deposit of Additional Motor Vehicle Fund went into the General Fund. She requested the transfer of \$1,282.44 from General Fund to the Motor Vehicle Fund.

The Fiscal Officer made recommendation for changes to the budget to allow for changes and corrections to the original budget in the new accounting system.

Chuck made a motion to accept the Fiscal Officer's recommendations. Rich seconded and all were in favor.

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Chuck made a motion to pay all bills. Rich seconded and all were in favor.

The next meeting is September 14, 2020.

Chuck made a motion to adjourn. Rich seconded and all were in favor.