

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, March 1, 2021 at 7 p.m., via Zoom.

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

Guests: Fire Chief Mike Shoff, Zoning Inspector Noell Sivertsen, Assistant Zoning Inspector Douglas Facemyer, Attorney Ron Graham, and Dan Himmelman, Zoning Commission Chair

Audience: Al Erickson

The reading of the minutes was waived, as the minutes of January 11, 2021 and February 1, 2021 meetings were provided and read by the trustees in advance. Rich made a motion to approve both sets of minutes as written. Heather seconded and all were in favor.

Zoning: Noell reported that the Mahr hearing is on 3/24 and the Rasch hearing is on 4/27. Rezoning of the horse farm on Vrooman Road from R2. Major Waste was given a Conditional Use in the past and may be going for a different Conditional Use. On Carter Road, there is a possible lot split of one 6-acre lot into two 3-acre flag lots. Questions were raised about parcels near our baseball fields. The owners were told that they could not use the property for vehicle storage as it was R-2. A B-3 residence on RT 86 would like to get a home occupation.

Fire: There were 39 call since the last meeting and a total of 79 calls year to date.

1 Fire	17 EMS	1 Hazardous Condition
8 Service	8 Good Intent	2 Special Incident

Mike Brewer, who was to become our next fulltime firefighter was hired full time by Madison FD.

Roads: The men are getting ready for ditching. They are looking at an engine analyzer to cut down on repair costs and may possibly share one with another township. More research will be done. There have culvert pipes to install as well.

Parks & Recreation: Heather spoke with Brandi. Both the Easter Egg Hunt and the weather-based back-up plan were approved by the Health Department. That is set for March 28th.

The Bicentennial + 1 meeting will be March 10th. They have been signing up vendors for the event and are looking for volunteers to head a booth or project. Flyers will be made and information will be updated on the website.

Chuck reported that Keeney Sandstone will donate the stone for the parking lot project at the South Meeting House. Someone else will move the electric pole so it is not in the middle of the new lot. March 16th is the next Heritage Association meeting.

Baseball is moving forward. The concession stand improvements were discussed.

At 7:15, the Road Department materials bids were opened. There were 5 separate bids received. Chuck made a motion to accept all bids and use the company with the best price as needed. Rich seconded and all were in favor. Individual bids are available for viewing at the Fiscal Office upon request.

Cemetery: Sharon is waiting for information from the company providing our cemetery software, regarding the columbarium data. Budgeting for improvements to the area around the columbarium were discussed.

New Business:

There needs to be a second meeting this month to approve the budgets, which will be set after the Fiscal Officer gets with the department heads to review her proposed appropriations, Changes and updates to the Temporary Appropriations were presented by the Fiscal Officer, including the transfer of the \$37,437.12 from the Fire Department Appropriations into the Notes Retirement to make the last Pumper payment. Chuck made a motion to accept the Fiscal Officer's recommendations. Heather seconded. Chuck, aye. Heather, aye. Rich, aye. Resolution 21-10.

At 7:30 the mowing contract Bids were opened. There were two bids. There was some question regarding one of the bids. Chuck moved to table the decision regarding the bids until the second March meeting to obtain clarification needed. Heather seconded and all were in favor.

The AA group would like to resume meetings at the Community Center after Easter. He was told that, if approved, the meeting size would be limited to 24 people. Discussion was made regarding sanitization of the Community Center. The Fiscal Officer would ask Al Hunt to resume weekly cleaning of the community center on Tuesdays. The AA director would be asked to consider an increase in the monthly donation to help cover increased cleaning and sanitation costs.

Chuck made a motion to have preliminary drawings and design development by architect, Joe Meyers of Willoughby for two bathrooms and reconstruction of the ramp at the town hall at a fee of \$2,050. It is hoped that we may get a grant and/or be able to NOPEC energy grants for part of the costs. Heather seconded. Heather, aye. Rich, aye. Chuck, aye.

Heather made a motion to appoint Al Erickson to the open position as Alternate for the BZA. Rich seconded and all were in favor.

Douglas Facemyer asked if the bid specifications and bids were available for public review. The Fiscal Officer answered that all bids and specs are available at the Fiscal Office upon request. The mowing bids would be available after the next meeting.

Chuck made a motion temporarily close the public session, and go into executive session, for the discussion regarding fire personnel issues. Ron and Mike Shoff were asked to remain for the executive session. Heather seconded and all were in favor.

Chuck made a motion to return to public session at 8:25. Heather seconded and all were in favor. Rich made a motion to instruct the Fire Chief to post an opening for an Assistant Fire Chief position exclusive to the officers that are employed by Leroy Township at this time. Heather seconded. Heather, aye. Chuck, aye. Rich, aye.

Resolution 21-11: Rich made a motion to hire John Slansky as the third full-time Firefighter/EMS Basic at the standard full-time rate of \$14.50 per hour with the stipulation that he must become an EMT/Paramedic within two years to continue his employment. Classes will be self-paid and on his own time. His hiring date will be the beginning of the first pay period after he has passed his physicals. A six-month probationary period will apply. Heather seconded. Poll of the vote: Chuck, aye. Heather, aye. Rich, aye

Motion by Chuck to pay all bills, seconded by Rich all in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Chuck Klco, Trustee Chairman

Julie Himmelman, Fiscal Officer