

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, Regular Meeting held at the Township Hall, Jacksontown, OH at 7:00 pm on February 6, 2006.

Ron Acord called the meeting to order with the following members present: Ron Acord, Joe Cooper, Dave Miller and Jill Linn.

Others Present: Joe Walker, Bill Ours, Joseph Hart, William Gockenbagh, Larry Gerlach, Steve Trickle, Richard Cash, Huber Lowendick, Robert Mills, Michael Briggs, Cindy Fields, Robert Snedden Sr, John Freas, Steve Patterson and Charlie Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected and signed by the Trustees.

Attached is a copy of all expenditures totaling \$31,097.43.

Motion was made by Mr. Acord, seconded by Mr. Cooper that the attached list of bills be approved as the lawful obligation of Licking Township and the Fiscal Officer be directed to issue the warrants of the Township in payment of the same. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

Correspondence:

1. Received notice from the Division of Liquor Control.
2. Received notice from the LCPC.
3. Received letter from the County Commissioners.
4. Received resolution regarding Evan Court.
5. Received resolution to reduce load limits.

Mr. Acord made a motion to accept the liquor license transfer from Marshall Eubanks, DBA National Trail Country Store to National Trail Country Store LLC. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

Joseph Hart mentioned that when the Trustees decide to raise the variance fees that they should take into consideration that if there is a parallel variance with the county the applicant will need to get a variance from the township and the county and if it is not approved by both boards it does not pass. Mr. Cooper mentioned that this has not been brought up so he will contact Jerry Brems for clarification.

Robert Snedden asked about the speed limit on Somerset Road. Mr. Acord informed him that it is 25mph. Cindy Fields mentioned that the engineers' office has it at 55mph and that the Trustees should have it corrected. Mr. Snedden asked for a copy of his letter and Mr. Miller gave it to him. He also asked about money for some of his land. Mr. Acord said that he has not heard from the prosecutor about that. He also mentioned that the EPA should go down and look at the septic systems at Dogwood Lakes.

Cindy Fields asked if the zoning inspector and members of the zoning boards were considered government officials. Mr. Cooper mentioned that the members of the zoning boards were appointed and that the zoning inspector is a hired position. Her concern is that since there is so much authority placed on them regarding the new zoning resolution would it inhibit a citizens' ability to legally enforce constitutional law that has already been ruled upon for their protection. Mr. Cooper mentioned that it is the Zoning Inspectors job to enforce the zoning resolution and if a resident doesn't agree with the Zoning Inspectors' decision they go to the Zoning Appeals Board for an interpretation. If the resident still doesn't agree they can take the matter to Common Pleas Court. Since the ORC allows for these positions they can be considered government officials.

Mike Briggs gave the Fire Co. report. There were 61 runs in January. He mentioned that the tower is up and working.

Mr. Acord made a motion to purchase 3 C Pap machines with a cost of \$1400 each. Mr. Cooper seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

Mr. Acord made a motion to accept the fire volunteer application for Bonnie Price. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

Mr. Acord made a motion to send Les George to medic school. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

Joe Walker gave the zoning report. He turned in 3 permits totaling \$345. The property on Avon Place has been given to the Prosecutor. He mentioned that there will be a request for a zoning change at the radio station on St. Rt. 13 so that they can run a day care. He also stated that Excel Academy will be asking to place two temporary classrooms on the property.

Mr. Cooper mentioned that he has not received a response from Mr. Mar regarding the problems at Captain Woody's.

Mr. Cooper mentioned that the zoning permit fee schedule needs to be adopted in the near future regardless of the proposed zoning resolution.

John Freas asked when the proposed zoning permit fees will be made public. Mr. Cooper said that he can have a copy tonight.

Mr. Cooper made a motion to send a resolution to the General Assembly endorsing and encouraging the passing of HB299 which will allow Townships to charge impact fees on new developments. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes, Miller, yes. The resolution is on file with the Fiscal Officer.

In regards to a new Zoning Appeals Board member, there are two applicants interested in the position. Cindy Fields mentioned that since the Township normally advertise for this position that it should continue to. Mr. Cooper agreed.

Mr. Cooper spoke with Litter Prevention and would like to have the Township Clean Up Day on April 21, 22 and 23 to go along with Earth Day.

In regards to the old computer, Mr. Cooper will get a notice together so that a township resident can submit a letter of intent for the computer.

Mr. Miller and Mr. Acord both attended the Township Winter Convention and each went over the meetings they attended.

Mr. Acord made a motion to give the paid fire personnel a fifty cent raise as of January 1, 2006. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

Mr. Acord mentioned that cell phones should be on vibrate during Township Meetings.

John Freas asked that all meeting be posted on the Township Hall. Mr. Cooper said that he didn't see a problem with having that done.

There will be a Zoning Commission meeting on Wednesday.

Richard Cash mentioned that there are 500 acres on Lake Drive which may be annexed to Heath.

Mr. Acord made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cooper seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.