

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, Regular Meeting, held at the Twp Hall Jacksontown, OH at 7:00 pm on May 1, 2006.

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

Others present: Raymond Pitzer, Julie Sheets, Ed Brosie, Joseph Hart, Steve Trickle, Larry Gerlach, Larry Lloyd, Joe Walker, Charles Prince, Richard Cash, Mike Briggs, Mike Wilson, Steve Patterson and Charlie Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the April 3, 2006 meeting were read, approved and signed by the Trustees.

Minutes of the April 17, 2006 meeting were read, approved and signed by the Trustees.

Attached is a copy of all expenditures totaling \$33,097.67.

There are funds on hand or in the process of collection to pay the attached listed bills. _____, Fiscal Officer.

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 warrants of the Township in payment of the same. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Received a copy of the May issue of the Grassroots Clipping.
2. Received information form the LCHD regarding a dog bite incident.

Mike Wilson gave the Fire Co. report. There were 68 runs in April. The Fire Co. will be hosting a mock crash at the high school and needs to have the liability forms signed. Mr. Miller made a motion to have the brakes fixed on Engine 604 at an estimated cost of \$1100-\$1300. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes, Cooper, yes; Miller, yes. Mr. Acord made a motion to purchase a skid demo unit for \$11,500 in which we will be receiving a \$4500 grant after the paperwork has been turned in. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes. Charlie Davis asked if they will be looking for a pick up truck to put the skid unit on and Mike Wilson said that they were not ready for that yet.

Joe Walker gave the Zoning report. He turned in three permits totaling \$230. Mr. Walker mentioned that he has talked with Julie Sheets and that she has a civil issue.

Julie Sheets lives on the corner of Cristland Hills Road and Columbus Avenue. Behind her property is Hebron Avenue. She mentioned that three years ago Sean Guyer asked her to sign a petition to vacate Hebron Avenue so that he could put up a new storage building and she had no problem doing so. She said that at that time Sean Guyer asked if he could purchase her 15 feet of the vacated road and he did. She mentioned that Sean would need to use her side yard to put up his building and he said that he would fix her yard. Now, three years later nothing has been fixed. She has since found out that Hebron Avenue was not vacated and would now like to petition to have it vacated so that she can fix the leaching problem that has occurred from the building that Sean Guyer had built. A discussion followed. Mr. Acord said that he would like to look at the situation.

Larry Lloyd from Licking County Recycling gave an update from the Township Clean Up Day. They collected 100 bags of trash and six tires. Mr. Miller thanked the Fire Co. for the extra gloves.

Mr. Acord mentioned that there will be a meeting on May 4th at 7:00pm at the Township Hall regarding the Jacksontown sewer problems.

In regards to the bar problems, Mr. Cooper mentioned that the Township is supported by the County Commissioners who contacted the Engineers office who ordered no parking signs to go up on the county road. Mr. Cooper still has not heard from the sheriffs' office. Mr. Cooper asked the Trustees if they wanted him to send a letter to the sheriffs' office or wait. A discussion followed. The Trustees decided to wait until the signs are up to see if the sheriffs' office will enforce the no parking signs before they contact them.

Steve Trickle mentioned that he will be hosting the Hookaville concert on May 25-28. He mentioned that he is working with the State Highway Patrol and the Licking County Sheriff Office. Mr. Acord mentioned that he would like to have Steve meet with Bob Becker, the prosecutor, and some of the Trustees to answer questions that they may have concerning the concerts since there have been problems in the past. Steve mentioned that he will talk with Bob Becker and answer any questions that he may have.

Richard Cash asked what map the daycare motion from the previous meeting will be added to. Mr. Cooper said that it will be added to the existing zoning map. Mr. Cooper said that it will go to the county and will be added by request to the zoning text. Mr. Cash said that it was done illegally. Mr. Cash said that amendments to zoning resolutions need to go to the zoning committee, need to be published and go before the board and that was not done. Mr. Cooper said

that the Zoning Commission had a public hearing and they approved it, they recommended it to the Board, it was published and there was a public hearing and the Board passed a resolution to amend the zoning. Richard Cash asked for a copy of the published notice because he did not see it in the paper. Richard Cash asked how he would receive a copy of the CD from the meeting. The Fiscal Officer told him that he would either have to pay for a CD that she already has or he could give her a CD and she will have it burned. Richard Cash asked if anyone can go to the Zoning Meeting in Columbus. Mr. Cooper said that reading through the meeting information it focuses on things for the Zoning Commission not the Zoning Appeals but it would be up to the Board as to whether they would want to pay for Richard to go since he is on the Zoning Appeals Board. Mr. Cooper offered him the material to look over. Richard Cash stated that by his comment Mr. Cooper would rather him not go. Mr. Cooper said not him specifically but the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Joseph Hart questioned why his letter was not read in correspondence. The Fiscal Officer read his letter, a response letter from Mr. Cooper and a letter from the Prosecuting Attorney. All letters are on file with the Fiscal Officer. The letters deal with Joseph Harts' request for copies of the documents used to decide who would be chosen for the Zoning Appeals Board. Mr. Cooper mentioned that he took off all the personal notes that were made on the documents and made Mr. Hart a copy. Mr. Miller mentioned that he thought that Mr. Walker and the Chairman of the Boards' tabulations were included in the previous board selections. Mr. Cooper said that they were but not this time. Mr. Miller asked why they were not included. Mr. Cooper said that prior to this meeting he had discussion with people that had participated in other meetings who thought it was inappropriate for the decision to be made by anyone else either than the Trustees and then in the meeting with the last candidates there was discussion in which Mr. Hart asked who made the decision and he was told by Mr. Miller that the Board of Trustees. Mr. Miller said that he did not say that because he was under the impression that everyone's' tabulations would be included. Mr. Acord thought the same thing. Mr. Hart stated that he has no problems or issue with Jerry Brems. Mr. Hart suggested that the Trustees get an update on the Sunshine Law so that they know what public records are allowed to be given out and he does not want the copy that Mr. Cooper had made for him. Mr. Hart mentioned that anything that is written on public record becomes public record so he would like a copy of the information requested intact. Mr. Cooper mentioned that he took off the personal notes based by the response by the prosecutor. Mr. Hart mentioned that the documents were used in lieu of discussing it. Mr. Hart said that he was misled because he asked how the decision was made and was told that all four (Acord, Cooper, Miller and Walker) would fill out the sheets and that all four would be tabulated. He then asked if Mr. Price would have the opportunity to fill out a sheet since he was not there and he was told no. Mr. Hart left the meeting with the understanding that all four tabulations were to be used. Mr. Hart believed that Mr. Cooper manipulated the process and was deceptive to the people because he believes that Mr. Cooper wanted Mr. Brems to serve on

the Board. Mr. Hart mentioned that at the April 3rd meeting, after the deadline, that Mr. Cooper had an additional candidate which was Mr. Brems. Mr. Hart believes that Mr. Cooper did not want him on the Zoning Appeals Board because he disagrees with a lot of the new zoning. A discussion took place. Many people mentioned that they were under the impression that all tabulations would be used. Charlie Prince from the Beacon mentioned that there are a very few things that are prohibited to be given out as a public record. Larry Gerlach asked how it will be done in the future. Mr. Cooper believes that when it comes to the vote it should be done by the Trustees. Mr. Miller added Joe Walker's tabulations to the scores and read them as follows: Jerry Brems 109; Joseph Hart 114; Doug Hoermle 92.

Mr. Hart asked when the office is open to request to inspect the records. Mrs. Linn said to either call or come to a meeting to request something. Mr. Hart asked for a copy of the April 3rd meeting and copies of the warrants.

Charlie Prince mentioned that he believed that copies are 10 cents.

Mr. Miller made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Cooper seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

Mr. Miller made a motion to close the executive session. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

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

Mr. Acord made a motion to give the road crew a \$.50 raise retroactive to January 1, 2006. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

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