

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, Regular Meeting held at the Fire Co., Station 3, Jacksontown, OH at 7:30pm on April 16, 2012.

Mr. Hart called the meeting to order with the following members present: Joseph Hart, David Miller, Ron Acord, and Lynch.

Others Present: Benjamin Hupp, Dennis Allison, Ed Monroe, Terri Gardner, John Holman, Mike Harris, Joe Walker, Bill Ours, Mike Wilson, Charlie Prince, Steve Patterson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

The financial reports were given to the Trustees.

Mrs. Lynch shared correspondence received from Levy & Associates, Esq. regarding a request for \$1727.44 owed to the State of Ohio for delinquent 2005 state tax supplemental withholding. Mrs. Lynch verified there are no other outstanding state tax debts from 2005 to current.

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the expenditures totaling \$29,779.48. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Hart, yes; Miller, yes.

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

Mrs. Lynch presented the OTARMA 2012 premium renewal quote comparing the current \$250.00 deductible versus a \$500.00 deductible. She stated that the quotes include all changes to scheduled property, credits for CDL Drug Testing and MVR, and total \$12,606.00 and \$12,297.00 respectively. Mrs. Lynch recommended to the board that consideration be given to renew at the \$500.00 deductible.

Mr. Miller made a motion to authorize renewal of the OTARMA premiums at the \$500.00 deductible for comp and collision and personal property at the aggregate amount of \$12,297.00. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Hart, yes; Miller, yes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Board of Zoning Appeals item
2. Photographs and Fire Chief Wilson's report from 4/3/12
3. Lakewood Lawn Service Contract need signatures and will get sent to Rob Miller
4. Letter from Licking County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management regarding severe weather siren required upgrades
5. PNB Visa Card Letter and distributed new Lowe's cards

Mike Wilson presented applications for Trent Colley and Kip Payne for approval.

Mr. Hart made a motion to hire Trent Colley and Kip Payne as new department members. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yes; Acord, yes; Hart, yes.

Mike Wilson stated they are in the process of testing their fire hose, some of the equipment from the expenditure approved at the last meeting has been received, and they installed a new water line at the station.

Mike Harris followed up on the narrow banding of the road crew radios and indicated that once a decision is made, he will need a month to get them ordered and a month to get them programmed.

Joe Walker turned in 1 zoning permit totaling \$100.00. He mentioned that he has looked at the house trailer on Avondale.

A discussion took place regarding a copy of a letter Mr. Hart received from Doug Price for an upcoming variance hearing on April 18, 2012, and that 2 of the variance board members are unavailable for the short term. Mr. Hart cited O.R.C. 519.13 and recommended considering the appointment of 2 temporary alternates Roy Hurt and Robert Hansberger to the board of zoning appeals.

Mr. Hart made a motion to appoint two alternate members to the board of zoning appeals, Robert Hansberger and Roy Hurt, through the end of 2012. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Hart, yes; Miller, yes.

Steve Patterson stated that the 2002 Chevy is being serviced at TCI for front brakes, tie-rods, and rear stabilizer bar.

A discussion took place regarding replacing the woods mower and the purchase of a new truck. Mr. Miller suggested that this be tabled until road estimates are received from Bill Lozier's office. Mr. Miller indicated that he will work closely with Bill Lozier concerning the Hunt's Landing roads and consideration for concrete around the water mains in the middle of the streets. Mr. Miller stated that he has been working on several ditch problems and also stated that he is working with Steve Patterson to simplify the culvert permit process.

A discussion took place regarding an incident that occurred on April 3, 2012, which resulted in damage to a vehicle owned by Mr. James Ramsey. Mr. Acord indicated that he was at the gas station when he overheard talk about some excitement on Route 40 West of Jacksontown and he walked up to see what was going on. Mr. Acord met Steve Patterson who had received a call from Mike Wilson regarding a tree limb that was a potential hazard. Mr. Acord stated that several people had notified ODOT and no one ever showed up so the decision was made to get the tree limb down before it fell and hit a passing car. Mr. Acord indicated that they used a chain to take the limb down but that all at once the wind picked up and the top of the branches went over across the road and hit Mr. Ramsey's vehicle. Mr. Hart inquired as to whether Steve Patterson suggested that

the parked vehicles be moved prior to attempting to remove the limb. Mr. Acord indicated that they attempted to determine who the car belonged to and even spoke with Tom Clark who went back to his place of business and no one came forward to indicate it was their car. Mr. Hart and Mr. Miller indicated that they do not second guess the decision that was made however would have appreciated the courtesy of a phone call letting them know what happened. Mr. Acord stated that he already took care of the matter by personally paying Mr. Ramsey \$1800.00, via cashier's check, for the damages caused to his vehicle and that he does not want reimbursed. Mr. Hart and Mr. Miller agreed that since Mr. Acord was acting on behalf of the township, Mr. Acord should be reimbursed for the \$1800.00. Mr. Hart, Mr. Miller, and Mrs. Lynch emphasized the need for a waiver to be signed by Mr. James Ramsey releasing the township of any additional liability.

Mr. Hart made a motion to reimburse Trustee Ron Acord for \$1800.00 for the cashier's check he issued Mr. James Ramsey for damages caused by the township to his vehicle on April 3, 2012. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Miller, yes; Hart, yes; Acord, yes.

Mr. Hart asked Mrs. Lynch to draft a waiver letter on behalf of the township for Mr. Ramsey to sign. Mr. Hart also stated that he is in favor of Mrs. Lynch issuing Mr. Acord a special check reimbursing him for his expense rather than waiting until the next township meeting. Mrs. Lynch requested a copy of the cashier's check from Mr. Acord in order to draft the waiver letter. Mr. Acord will provide that information and agreed to obtain Mr. Ramsey's signature on the waiver. Mr. Hart requested that Mrs. Lynch be given the original incident reports from both Mike Wilson and Steve Patterson for documentation.

Mr. Miller requested the trustees sign the United Aggregates credit application.

Ed Monroe thanked Mike Wilson and the fire department for a recent run to Dogwood Lakes involving a child that aspirated on vomit. He stated that a fireman responded within minutes and saved the child's life and complimented the fire department and Mike Wilson for the job they do.

Ed Monroe mentioned that Mr. Snedden has not taken the posts down. Mr. Hart stated that the prosecutor is still evaluating what can be done on behalf of the board and recommended that the residents continue to contact the sheriff's department to file a report. Mr. Hart stated that he was told that Mr. Snedden had painted the posts and stones fluorescent orange but that he has not been by there yet to confirm or deny that information. Mr. Monroe inquired as to whether or not Mr. Snedden would be liable if someone had an accident on the roadway that Mr. Snedden claims is his personal property. Mr. Hart indicated that based on the Ohio Revised Code, it is the township's responsibility to keep that roadway free and clear. Mr. Hart stated that the township board is aware of the issues and it has been turned over to board's representatives.

Mr. Acord mentioned that he heard the state is going to remove some of the trees located near the area where the incident occurred on April 3, 2012.

Mr. Miller mentioned that Rob Mills called Litter Control regarding Tresemer Road.

Mr. Hart complimented Mr. Acord on negotiating a resolution to the incident which occurred on April 3, 2012.

Mr. Hart made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All in favor: Miller, aye; Hart, aye; Acord, aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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April 16, 2012 minutes