

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Leroy Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, March 15, 2010, at the Leroy Township Hall.

Present were: Chuck Klco, Linda Burhenne, Rich VanPelt, and Sharon Rodgers.

Guests: Members of the Leroy softball board were present: Brett Durisin is this year's treasurer. Plans and procedures were discussed. Rich Sr. stated that if the golf cart was used for maintenance only and not used for any other purpose the trustees don't have a problem with it. Problems arise when "kids" are allowed to use it, and when it's used for other purposes. The softball league is considering the purchase of one for dragging of the fields. They also presented their idea of putting up another building to house all of the equipment and get it out of the concession stand. The trustees stated the best place is over by the t-ball field where the old out house is. There is a drive into there already. Keep it away from the concession stand, there is not enough room. The old tractor the road dept. has will be given to baseball; it can be stored at the road garage until a building is put up. It is a 2-wheel diesel. Needs some maintenance, but would serve the purpose for which the softball league would need. Last year there were 535 kids signed up for softball, they anticipate approximately the same this year. The deadline for registration is this Sunday.

Linda Burhenne told the board they need to develop a set of by-laws, and elect a set of officers to the board. She will meet with them.

Jason Seither stated the pig roast is scheduled for July 10th, noon to evening. They will check into how much was received from the Stingers fast pitch games. Will also check into Entertain Enterprises and what they were paid for. The advertising banners on the fence are ok. Minutes of the softball league were given to the trustees and the fiscal officer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Correspondence: ODOT will be reconstructing the exit and entrance ramps from I-90 onto Vrooman in 2011.

Rich Sr. stated the census map on the computer disk is ok. Sharon will return the letter stating such.

Department Reports:

ZONING: Myron reported from March 1-March 15th. He received 14 incoming calls, and issued one permit for a wind tower. Myron has a draft regulation for the board to review concerning wind towers. The fee would be the same as an accessory building, \$25.00. Demolition and lighting needs reviewed and possibly re-written. Wind towers are a low noise pollution, a maximum of 60 DBA from the closest dwelling would be required.

There are 19 open inspections, 15 investigations, 10 of which are illegal businesses. Two notifications letters regarding junk vehicles was sent out. Two violations have been closed. There have been 5 home sales in Leroy. The new sign on the Osborne property by the driveway will be removed.

There is an open house at 11am on the 27th, at the new dog day care on Brakeman Rd. They currently fall under "agriculture"; Dave Gilmer said this is a "narrow" definition under agriculture.

Myron has asked the county health dept. to check on the house on Radcliff near Brakeman which is dilapidated. They are also going to check on the "remodeling" of Hemly's barn on Brakeman.

Chuck made a motion to set a public hearing to adopt changes to the Leroy Twp. Zoning as presented to the board, by the zoning commission. The proposed changes are definitions, alternate energies, residential R-1 and R-2, and miscellaneous signs. Public hearing to be held Monday, April 12, 2010, at 6:30 at the Leroy Township Hall. Linda Burhenne seconded the motion, all were in favor. Proposed changes are available for viewing at the Leroy Fire Station, between 8am-5pm, 7 days a week.

FIRE: The Fire Chief was not present; Rich gave report 80 calls year to date. Pancake Breakfast 9-1 Sunday April 18th.

ROAD: Men working on equipment getting ready for summer. Plowed a little snow, some flooding in catch basins taken care of. Tim LeBail is doing needed grader repairs. Men are starting clearing big trees and brush that is too big for the boom mower to handle.

Kate, the road secretary is looking for grants to replace our road signs. All signs must meet reflectory regulations; we have five summers to replace all of our signs. The minimum to apply for a grant thru the manufacturer 3-M, or Avery, is three times more than what we need. Perhaps we can go together on a group purchase program. The county has a meter to check the reflectory of our signs; they will send someone out to do this for us. Most all of our signs will need replaced, with the exception of ones we have replaced in the last couple of years. This could cost between \$15-20 thousand over five years.

CEMETERIES: Memorials by Behm last price sheet was from 2008. Gerry Hausch will make sure they get an updated one. The Leroy Garden Club would like to purchase a bench for the cemetery, perhaps near the oak tree in the new section.

Chuck will meet with the local VFW and the monument company this Thursday at the cemetery to discuss a new memorial for Iraq and Afghanistan war. Osborne will donate the concrete for the base.

PARKS: Easter egg Hunt, Sunday, March 28th 1pm at the fire station. Basket donations are still needed. There will be a raffle for children and adult baskets.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Chuck made a motion to purchase a new power washer for the road dept. The current one is about 15 years old and broke again. Parts are hard to get and expensive. Cost of new one, \$4,054.96, Linda seconded the motion all were in favor.

Chuck made a motion to advertise for part-time summer help at the road & service garage, advertise on March 22nd, and accept applications until April 5th. Linda seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Chuck made a motion to advertise for mowing and weed whacking of the township park, April 12th, thru July 14th. Advertise once in paper and on web site. Bids to be opened on Monday, April 5th at 7:30 pm. Rich seconded the motion all were in favor.

Rich made a motion to purchase plastic plywood sheets for use in the cemetery, 10 sheets at a cost of \$2,095.00, Chuck seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Rich made a motion to purchase a walk behind zero turn, 32" cut mower for the cemetery. This size will fit between the stones. It is also heavy duty, Scag #7049 state bid price \$2,954.00. Chuck seconded the motion, all were in favor.

FISCAL OFFICER:

At the request of the fiscal officer, Chuck made a motion to transfer interest of \$1.38 into motor vehicle and \$2.09 interest into gas tax, 2nd by Linda, all were in favor.

The fiscal officer presented the permanent appropriations for 2010, resolution 10-10, Chuck made a motion to accept, Rich seconded the motion. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye. Resolution 10-10.

The fiscal officer presented resolution 10-11, to retain bond counsel, Brickner & Eckler for the five year note thru Chase Bank for purchase of a tractor and road mower. Chuck made a motion to accept, 2nd by Linda, all were in favor. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye. Resolution 10-11

The fiscal officer presented resolution 10-12, including bond counsel fee of \$2,500.00 for preparation of the paper work for the five-year note. The total amount being \$90,308.05, with an interest rate of 3.27000000%. Annual payments of \$19,575.00 commencing September 15, 2010, thru September 15, 2014. Chuck made a motion to approve said resolution, Rich VanPelt seconded

the motion. Poll of the vote: Klco, aye, Burhenne, aye, VanPelt, aye. Resolution 10-12

Motion to pay all bills made by, Chuck Klco, seconded by Linda, all were in favor.

Next meeting: April 5, 2010.

Audience: A resident ask the trustees if they knew of the alternative energy programs, such as property assessed funding to pay for alternate energy sources, such as windmills thru assessments on the owner's property. Chuck will check into it.

Motion to adjourn made by, Chuck and go into executive session for the purpose of interviews for the alternate to the zoning board. Linda seconded the motion all were in favor.

Chuck opened the executive session meeting, interviews were conducted, Chuck made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Linda, all were in favor. There being no further business, Chuck made a motion to adjourn the public meeting, seconded by Linda, all were in favor.

Chairman

Sharon E. Rodgers, Fiscal Officer