

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, Regular Meeting, held at the Fire Co. Station 3, Jacksontown, OH at 7:00pm on October 2, 2006.

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

Others present: Joseph Hart, Jerry Franks, Cindy Fields, Robert Snedden Sr. Bill Ours, Sheila Lyons, Chris Riedl, David Varmer, Joe Walker, Charles Prince, Mike Briggs, Jim VanOstran, Steve Patterson and Charlie Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Attached is a copy of all expenditures totaling \$34223.76.

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. Miller 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; Miller, yes.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Received the October Grassroots Clippings.
2. Received information from the LCPC regarding Dennis Minor.
3. Received information from the LCPC regarding terms and definitions of the zoning resolution.

Mr. Miller mentioned that the meeting on October 5 at Etna Elementary School was cancelled.

In regards to the addition of definitions and Section 26 of the Zoning Resolution the Trustees decided to hold off until the next meeting to discuss them.

Mr. Miller made a motion to accept the bid from Bill Revercomb to fix the Township Hall for a cost estimated at \$775. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Miller, yes.

The Trustees stated that they did not feel that we needed a security system and informed the Fiscal Officer to pay Elite Satellite \$199 for the two service calls.

Joe Walker turned in 2 permits totaling \$200. He is checking on a complaint in Avondale but has not been able to get with the owner. Mr. Walker will be issuing a permit to the resident on White Chapel who is building a pole barn. Mr. Miller mentioned that he gave the owner incorrect information regarding the permit.

Jim VanOstran explained why he is trying to vacate a portion on Hunts Landing Road. A discussion followed. Joe Hart asked the purpose of vacating a public right of way when they have to turn around and give easements to the area. Mr. VanOstran mentioned that it was an easement for roadway purposes and not a dedicated right of way and vacating the road would allow him to complete the southern tip of the development.

Mr. Miller made a motion to have Paul Petterson Co. repair the guardrail at Davis Road and Licking Trails Road for a cost of \$1845. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Acord, yes; Miller, yes.

Mr. Miller mentioned that the cemetery paving looks good but that there is an extreme runoff and suggest that they berm.

Mike Briggs gave the Fire Co. report. There were 63 runs in September. He congratulated Les George for passing the medic test. He also asked that no one park in front of the doors at the fire station so that the fire personnel have a place to park.

Dave Varner stated that the speed limit sign on Somerset Road states that it is 25mph when it should be 55mph. Mr. Acord mentioned that the sign has been up for 20 or 22 years. Phill Linn, Jim Cormican and Ron Acord went through the County Engineers Office who said that they could change the speed limit because of the request from the residents on Somerset Road and it is the same speed limit as the Dogwood Lakes Addition.

Robert Snedden asked if the Township has records of how he is zoned and when he was zoned. Mr. Miller mentioned that he and Mr. Acord attended a meeting with Tim Lollo who said that a lot of the records he is asking for cease to exist so how can he give him records that he does not have. Robert Snedden showed him a map showing he is zoned agriculture and that he has grandfather rights so he is not zoned residential.

Cindy Fields mentioned that she is disappointed with how the recordkeeping has been kept. She mentioned that the Ohio Historical Society does not recognize electronic records as a stable source. She mentioned that there are four reasons to keep an accurate written account of the minutes and they are administrative, historical, fiscal and legal. She asked that the Fiscal Officer be more complete when preparing the minutes. She also asked Mr. Acord if there is an inventory of the records. She asked when the meeting will be for the Records Commission.

She was told no time was set. She then asked Mr. Miller if there was a Records Commission meeting last year. Mr. Miller said that there was one the year before. A discussion followed regarding the records. Cindy Fields mentioned that they requested records in July and they haven't received them. The Trustees are to provide public access to the records when they are requested. Mr. Miller said that they do not have the records that they have requested and that what they do have is in a box. Cindy Fields stated that Mr. Snedden asked for records in July and he has waited an unreasonable amount of time for them. A discussion followed regarding the disposal of records. The Fiscal Officer mentioned that they will be attending a records meeting on October 11.

Joe Hart, on behalf of the Trustees and as a resident, to Robert Snedden and Cindy Fields, stated that he believes that they have considerable, at every meeting, taken an amount of time having to do with the road and where the property line is. As a resident, he asked them on behalf of the students of Lakewood and the bus drivers that they move the railroad ties back a reasonable amount and leaving them where they are is irresponsible and may create a personal liability. Mr. Snedden said that the Trustees have taken his ground and once the bank was fixed and the grass was coming in people were driving on the grass and he does not want them on the grass. The road is now 20 ft' when it was 14' and that gives them plenty of room and if there was a way to stop them from driving on the grass he would move the railroad ties. A discussion followed.

Chris Riedal asked if the township allows people to use the township vehicles for personal use on private property. The trustees said no. Mr. Reidal showed the trustees a picture showing a backhoe on private property. The trustees said that they don't use the vehicles for personal use. A discussion followed.

Cindy Fields mentioned that Mr. Snedden has property rights and that there is value in his property. He wants to keep people from taking what is left. She asked if there were plans to index the records. The Fiscal Officer mentioned that she is working on the financial records and Mr. Miller said he is working on the road records for the last two year. Cindy mentioned that we need to bring the records up to date to make it accessible to people. A discussion followed.

Chris Riedal mentioned he is disappointed by comments made under the table and that we need to respect each other as neighbors. He also mentioned that Mr. Snedden just wants an answer as to where the lines are supposed to be and that if that happens they won't be back all the time. Mr. Miller said that the county surveyed and that pins were put in so that no more land would be taken. A discussion followed.

A discussion took place regarding the Robert Snedden situation.

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