



3038 Boston Mills Road, Brecksville, Ohio 44141

RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting August 1, 2019

The Board of Trustees met for their Regular Meeting with Executive Session, which was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on August 1, 2019.

Roll Call:

Janet Jankura, Trustee Chairperson
Jeff Shupe, Trustee Vice Chairperson
Robert Luther, Trustee

Also in Attendance:

Mike Swanson, Assistant Chief, Village of Richfield Police Department
Phil McLean, Richfield Fire Chief
Ray Hartsough, Summit County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney
Dr. Joan Williams, Summit County Outreach Coordinator for Representative Marsha Fudge
Mindy Remec, Township Administrator
Laurie Pinney, Fiscal Officer and Zoning Inspector
12 additional residents/attendees

Approval of Minutes:

June 27, 2019 Special Meeting

Dispensing with the reading of the minutes, Ms. Jankura requested comments from Trustees Luther and Shupe, who had no corrections or changes.

MOTION by: Ms. Jankura and seconded by Mr. Shupe to approve the June 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes as presented.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: NONE

MOTION PASSED: Luther (yea), Jankura (abstain), Shupe (yea)

Department Head Reports:

Police:

Assistant Chief Swanson provided a written report. He provided information calls for service and vehicle and personnel changes. He cautioned residents about scam for solicitation of gift cards from government agencies. Asst. Chief Swanson updated trustees on upcoming Community Days Events as well as the Ohio Flags of Honor Ceremony.

Fire:

Chief McLean provided and written report and gave information on calls for service, ongoing personnel training, and equipment purchases.

Zoning:

Ms. Pinney provided and written report which included upcoming zoning board meeting dates. She requested approval for reimbursement for zoning board members and administration staff to attend the Ohio Planning training conference in October.

MOTION by: Ms. Jankura and seconded by Mr. Luther to approve reimbursement to zoning officials or administration for up to \$180 each for registration to APA Ohio not to exceed \$2,700.00 from the general fund for zoning training.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: none

MOTION PASSED: Luther (yea), Jankura (yea), Shupe (yea)

Fiscal:

Ms. Pinney reported that the Alternative Tax Budget had been submitted to Summit County and would be posted to the township website.

Parks and Recreation:

Mr. Luther said that service department personnel had done some work at the park to assist with field maintenance.

Roads:

Mr. Luther reported that there have been some costly repairs to service department trucks which were disappointing considering the age of the vehicles.

Administration:

Ms. Remec requested trustees' approval of a contribution to Boy Scout Troop 387 for food and drinks while the Troop volunteers for flag watch duty for the Ohio Flags of Honor.

MOTION by: Ms. Jankura and seconded by Mr. Luther to approve payment of \$100 to Boy Scout Troop 387 from the general fund for Ohio Flags of Honor volunteers.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: none

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Luther (yea), Jankura (yea), Shupe (yea)

Ms. Remec reported that the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Distribution for tax year 2018 was received. The county receives this from the federal government for Cuyahoga Valley National Park land and distributes it. This year the amount received was \$1,137.15. She requested a motion to accept the funds and approve the agreement.

MOTION by: Ms. Jankura and seconded by Mr. Luther to accept payment of \$1,137.15 in the general fund and approve the agreement between Summit County and Richfield Township for the distribution of Payment in Lieu of Taxes for tax year 2018 for the Cuyahoga Valley National Park land in the township.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: none

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Luther (yea), Jankura (yea), Shupe (yea)

Old Business:

Ms. Jankura said that Rumpke had asked to amend the trash contract for the remaining years to increase the cost to account for the increase in the gas tax. This issue had been tabled from the June 27, 2019 meeting. Ms. Remec reported that Village Council has declined to take action to approve the increase. After discussion and input from Fiscal Officer Ms. Pinney and residents, Trustees concurred to not approve the increase for the waste hauling contract.

New Business: None

Announcements:

Dr. Joan Williams, Summit County Outreach Coordinator for Representative Marsha Fudge, invited all to attend a Town Hall Meeting hosted by Congresswoman Marsha Fudge on August 3, 2019.

Resident Mr. Rich Fleming announced the Richfield Historical Society is hosting the annual Picket Fence Art Show on August 3, 2019.

Citizens Forum:

Resident and Woods Home Owners Association representative Tony Asher asked Fire Chief McLean for information and expressed concern about a potential new driveway access to an Emergency Access Lane instead of Glentool Lane. Chief McLean addressed Mr. Asher's concerns.

Mr. Homae, 4845 Timber Edge Drive, requested information on upcoming road projects.

Agenda Requests and Items for Follow-Up: None**Township Corner Article:**

Mr. Luther will write the article for September.

Executive Session:

MOTION by: Ms. Jankura and seconded by Mr. Luther to enter into Executive Session for the Discussion of pending or imminent court action per ORC 121.22(g) at 7:25 p.m.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: None

MOTION PASSED: Jankura (yea), Luther (yea), Shupe (yea)

Mr. Luther recused himself from the matter and did not enter the Executive Session. Summit County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Ray Hartsough, Ms. Pinney, and Ms. Remec joined Ms. Jankura and Mr. Shupe in Executive Session.

Ms. Remec and Ms. Pinney exited the Executive Session and Mr. Todd Bard, Ms. Maryke Bard, and Attorney Ms. Christine Garritano were invited to join Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. Mr. and Ms. Bard, and Ms. Garritano left the Executive Session at 8:45 p.m.

Trustees and legal counsel exited Executive Session and reconvened the open meeting at 9:12 p.m. Ms. Jankura stated that no further action will be taken at this time.

Adjournment:

MOTION by: Ms. Jankura and seconded by Mr. Shupe to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: NONE

MOTION PASSED: Jankura (yea), Luther (yea), Shupe (yea)

 Trustee

 Secretary