



3038 Boston Mills Road, Brecksville, Ohio 44141

RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting August 2, 2018

The Board of Trustees met for a Regular Meeting. The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

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

Also in Attendance:

Bobbie Beshara, Richfield Village Mayor
Phil McLean, Richfield Fire Chief
Bob Becker, Richfield Joint Recreation District Board Chair
Mindy Remec, Township Administrator
Laurie Pinney, Zoning Inspector
7 additional residents/attendees

Presentation:

Mr. Becker, Chairperson for the Richfield Joint Recreation District, provided a presentation on accomplishments and future plans for the Richfield Heritage Preserve property.

Approval of Minutes:

June 28, 2018 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. Luther to approve the June 28, 2018 Meeting Minutes as presented.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: NONE

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

Department Head Reports:

Police and Fire:

Chief McLean provided both the police and fire reports in Chief Morgan's absence including written reports. He informed trustees on calls for service in June for both departments as well as updates in personnel.

Chief McLean provided details on a public records request made by Mr. Shupe and gave a written accounting of the information requested.

Zoning:

Ms. Pinney provided a written report. The Summit County Planning Commission reviewed Richfield Township proposals for parking and property standards at their July 26 meeting and recommended approval. A referendum petition was filed on July 25 and delivered to Summit

County Board of Elections on July 26. The submission will be certified by the Summit County Board of Elections and Ohio Secretary of State for placement on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot.

Ms. Jankura reintroduced the topic of amending the JEDD agreement to allow zoning in the JEDD to be administered by the Village of Richfield. This was discussed at a recent JEDD board meeting and she asked Mr. Luther and Mr. Shupe if they were open to further discussions on this amendment.

Mr. Luther asked how amending the JEDD agreement would affect the referendum process. He said he was open to discussing it and asked Mayor Beshara her opinion.

Mayor Beshara spoke about other JEDDs where the municipality handled the zoning and said there could be some advantages to this arrangement. She thanked Ms. Jankura reintroducing the dialogue.

Ms. Pinney said that municipalities have additional authority that townships do not that may offer additional protections to residents.

Mr. Shupe said he would need answers from legal counsel and to study the JEDD agreement. He wanted to know what advantages the township would gain by any changes.

Ms. Jankura directed Ms. Pinney and Ms. Remec to seek legal counsel about the questions raised.

Trustees heard comments from Mr. Rich Fleming, 2780 Columbia Rd.; Mr. Jim Vocaire, 5144 Hecker Dr.; and Mr. Ed Pepera, 2617 Columbia Rd.

Fiscal: No Report

Parks and Recreation:

Mr. Luther said that the gates at Rising Valley Park are in bad shape and trustees concurred to have them removed.

Roads:

Mr. Luther reported that construction on road projects was near complete and that additional repairs were needed on Burwood Road.

MOTION by: Mr. Luther and seconded by Ms. Jankura to approve \$3,000 payment to Cardinal Asphalt as a then and now certificate for full depth repairs from the roads fund.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: NONE

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

Administration:

Ms. Remec said that the service department was continuing with asphalt patching. Seasonal service department employee, Jason Graber, will be done on August 16 and he has been a great help.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Ms. Jankura said additional information was received after the agenda was distributed and that the resolution to certify the zoning referendum was unnecessary.

Announcements:

Ms. Jankura announced Community Day activities for August 10-12, 2018.

Citizens Forum:

Mr. Fleming announced the Richfield Historical Society is hosting the Picket Fence Art Show.

Mr. Vocaire asked about activity in the JEDD and requested to be added to the JEDD Board agenda distribution list.

Agenda Requests and Items for Follow-Up:

Ms. Jankura requested the JEDD zoning discussion be placed on the September agenda.

Township Corner Article:

Ms. Jankura will write the article for September.

Adjournment:

MOTION by: Ms. Jankura and seconded by Mr. Luther to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

FURTHER DISCUSSION: NONE

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

Trustee

Secretary