

**Minutes of Leesburg Township Regular Meeting
Monday, April 11, 2022**

The Trustees of Leesburg Township met in a regular session.

Members present: Chairman Kevin Dotson, Vice-Chairman Bill Lowe, Trustee Jeff Robinson, Fiscal Officer Mellisa Weigand, Fire Chief John Cook and Zoning Inspector Nigel Pence

Others in attendance: Thayne Grey, Rod Goddard, Nick Martino, Andrea Weaver, Ben Laird, Alan Fitzpatrick and Keith Engel

Kevin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The trustees reviewed the March 7, 2022 meeting minutes. Jeff made a motion, seconded by Bill, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Jeff asked Nigel to inform the house across the street from the firehouse that they are in zoning violation for there yard mess. A house on Sandusky needs to be informed of their violations as well as the Estep property.

The lawn mower is in and waiting to be delivered to the firehouse. Mike Knaul will continue to mow the ballfield for the Township. The generator has been delivered to the firehouse but still needs installed.

New Business

Andrea attended the meeting to answer questions regarding adding a new levy to the ballot this fall. Our current levy is also up for renewal this year. Our current levy has a roll back for the residents. In order to sustain the Leesburg Township Fire Dept. as paid vs. a volunteer firehouse, we need to add a new levy. The other option the Township has is to merge with an existing fire district and our residents would acquire that districts levy(s).

Rod Goddard had brought up the possibility of LTFD joining NUCFD. There was discussion with the pros vs. cons of such a merger. These points will be discussed at the April 18 fire dept meeting, open to the public.

In order to add a new levy to the ballot we would need to get mileage and purpose information to Thayne regarding a resolution of necessity to give to the Union County Auditor's Office. The UCA office would get two sets of resolutions of necessity and issue a cert. of estimated revenue, then proceed with a resolution.

The Trustees informed him of the happenings with the Estep property. Nigel will send a letter to Thayne for review before he sends it to The Pit Stop.

Ben informed the Trustees that he has started clean up at the cemeteries. Jeff made a motion to reimburse Ben for soil cost and seed, seconded by Bill. Motion passed unanimously.

Kevin mentioned that the ballfield looked low on stone for the ball diamonds. Bill suggested we contact the ball association and ask what stone they need for the diamonds. The Township is considering helping with the cost of the stone.

Chief Cook informed the Trustees that the water heater tank is going bad. He got a quote from Foust Plumbing and Heating. The cost for a 10-year warranty tank with 5-year parts/labor is \$3627 and the cost for a 15-year warranty 5-year parts/labor is \$5938. Bill made a motion to purchase the 10-year warranty for \$3627 and service and flush once a year, seconded by Jeff. Motion passed unanimously. Chief also reported that hazmat suits are in.

The asbestos test came back positive from the house next to the Firehouse. The cost is \$4155 to remove the asbestos. Once that is gone the firemen can prepare for a controlled burn on the structure. Lyle Environmental will send a report to the EPA stating they took out asbestos and is now safe to burn. Jeff asked that Chief apply for a burn permit to make sure permission will be granted before we spend the \$4155 to Lyle. Jeff made a motion to pay for the asbestos clean-up contingent on getting a burn permit, Bill seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously.

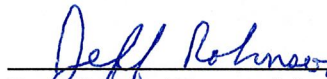
Nigel has received a few phone calls from residents on Whitestone Rd regarding trash from another residents' home blowing into neighbor's property. The homeowner will take care of the problem.

Bill made a motion, seconded by Jeff, to give Union County Engineers office \$25,000 for our portion of road maintenance for the year.

The F.O. circulated warrants, purchase orders, vouchers and receipts for trustee approval. Bill made a motion, seconded by Jeff, to adjourn the board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.



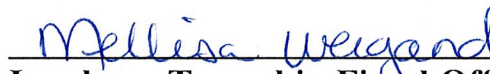
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