

Minutes of Leesburg Township Regular Meeting

Monday, June 6, 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 and Fire Chief John Cook

Others in attendance: Keith Engle, County Commissioner ^{elect} Dave Lawrence and Deputy Levan

Kevin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The trustees reviewed the May 2, 2022 meeting minutes. Bill made a motion, seconded by Jeff, to approve the minutes- with corrections. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

A second check from Sims was received in the mail for the mixed steel from clean-up day.

There is a confirmed 1500 acres of solar fields in Leesburg Township that are grandfathered in. Any new projects have to follow SB 52 guidelines.

New Business

Union County Commissioners are conducting a meeting on June 21, 2022 to discuss solar farms and SB 52. Jeff made a motion, seconded by Bill, to create a resolution to restrict any further industrial solar and/or wind facilities in Leesburg Township. (See Attached) The letter and resolution will be sent to the Commissioners office before the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Zoning had two permits written in May, one for a house and the other for an inground pool. Nigel was approached by Cheryl Pounds, neighbor across from firehouse, asking to waive a permit fee for a shed she wants to put on her property. Bill would like to see a blueprint of the shed she plans to put on her property before we discuss waiving the fee.

Nigel sent the Pit Stop a letter regarding zoning issues and sent a copy to Thayne Gray, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney of Union County.

Chief Cook presented the new Leesburg Township website that Sarah has been working on. The website is scheduled to go live mid-July. Kevin asked Chief to relay the message that her efforts are greatly appreciated.

Chief Cook reported 10 runs last month and only two night runs were not covered by LTFD. The schedule for July is sparse. He also relayed that he is renewing the Responsoft annual subscription.

Deputy Lavan made an appearance at the meeting. There was nothing to report on his end.

Fire Chief Tim Merrick was attending the Liberty Township meeting tonight to see what their Trustees think about merging with LTFD. Leesburg Trustees will attend the meetings at Northern Union County and Northwestern fire districts this week. The Leesburg Township Trustees agree they want to keep the fire volunteers and keep John as Fire Chief.

The house next door to the firehouse can not be burned. It is closer than the 1000' rule from near-by structures. The next step is to demo the house. Chief Cook has the asbestos sheet to give to whomever will be tearing it down.

Jeff made a motion, seconded by Kevin, to purchase a Milwaukee air blower for the firehouse. It can be useful in grass fires and uses the same battery as our tools. Motion passed unanimously.

The Trustees let Ben know he's doing a good job taking care of the cemeteries and they look great.

Kevin made a motion, seconded by Jeff, to pay off the bank loan for the fire truck. The Trustees don't want any debt going into a fire district merger. Motion passed unanimously.

Jeff made a motion at 8:51 p.m. to enter into executive session to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes (R.C. 121.22(G)(5)), matters were regarding protected personal

health information of an employee, seconded by Kevin. Roll call vote: Jeff – Yes, Kevin – Yes, Bill – Yes

Others in Attendance: Fiscal Officer Mellisa Weigand and Fire Chief John Cook

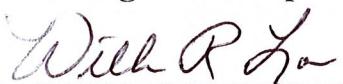
Bill moved at 9:06 p.m. to return to regular session.

Due to the discussion in executive session, Bill made a motion to pay up to \$600 without waiver of any rights for treatment for Morgan McIntire, seconded by Jeff. Motion passed unanimously.

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. Motion passed unanimously.



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