

July 11, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Richmond Township Supervisors was held at the Township Building at 30348 State Highway 408. The meeting was called to order with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence at 6:00 P.M. In attendance were Supervisors Morton, Potts, and Sharpe (via phone), Rhonda Phillips, Dan Miller, Mike Lokuta, Kathleen Wheelock, Don James, Sandy James, John Flaugh, and Rick Makohus.

Minutes of the June 6, 2024: Copies were distributed to those in attendance. Morton asked if there were any additions and/or corrections.

****Motion made by Potts, seconded by Sharpe, to accept the minutes as they stand. Motion carried; three ayes.**

Correspondence:

Crawford County Planning – they are holding three public hearings regarding adopting a new comprehensive plan, Crawford Inspired. Tuesday July 23rd at 6 pm at Centerville VFD is when a supervisor can attend from Richmond

Townville Elementary School – thank you for bringing the road equipment and teaching them what the road crew does for the township

Cans for Wishes – thank you for the metal collected on Clean-up Day

Hospice of Crawford County – thank you for the donation in memory of Brian Proctor's relative

Bills and Receipts: See Treasurer's report.

**** Motion made by Potts, seconded by Sharpe, to approve all bills and receipts. Motion carried; three ayes.**

Reports:

Planning Commission – No report.

Rec Board – The buildings are finished.

Road Master's Report – The month of June we have been out ditching water problem areas. The Volvo dump truck frame is rusted; we are waiting for price to replace the frame. We had a new tire put on the front of the backhoe. We had the Ford inspected and it needed a new starter. We also have been out grading and putting down brine. So, watch out for us and drive slowly. ~the Road Crew

Tax Collection Committee – Bills will be coming out soon. Crawford County is going with a new computer system for tax collection, where there is no charge for tax collectors to use. However, it is not a great program and there are multiple red flags. Kathleen would rather go with better system called the Rack System. Its cost is \$320/year, and Kathleen asked the supervisors to consider having Richmond Township cover the cost.

Website Report – There were 226 visitors who accessed the website. The Stormwater Ordinance was added.

Old Business:

Update on Rec buildings – already covered in Rec Board report.

Update on meter for diesel pump – WIP.

'94 Volvo update – The repairs would cost \$34,550. The supervisors want to look at all possible options that will be in the best interest for the township.

Resolution for Broadband Communities Program Application – The resolution names Crawford County as our Broadband Champion, where their role is only to be the single point of contact for all municipalities should companies have questions.

****Motion made by Potts, seconded by Sharpe, to pass Resolution 2024-3 naming Richmond Township as a Broadband Ready Community and authorizing Crawford County to serve as Municipal Broadband Champion for the township. Motion carried; three ayes.**

Update on WW II arch memorial – WIP. We are seeking community donations for refurbishing the arch. Possibly we could get some donations from the veterans committee.

New Business -

Rec Complex restrooms – They have been locked except for use by pavilion rentals and ball games.

Signs for the Rec Complex pavilions – Acrylic sign holders will be ordered by the secretary.

Ground rod incident at Pavilion #1 – An injury occurred to a renter due to a ground rod that was protruding from the cement. The rod has since been covered and painted bright orange. Potts will check into removing the rod. The supervisors want to return the rental fee as an action of good faith.

****Motion made by Potts, seconded by Sharpe, to refund the rental fee to Jennifer Shirey. Motion carried; three ayes.**

Broadcast need for 2025 groundskeeper – We will spread the word that a groundskeeper is needed for next year. Possibly put it on the website.

Resolution for allocation of ACT 13 monies for 2023 –

****Motion made by Potts, seconded by Morton, to pass Resolution 2024-2 to allocate the ACT 13 monies for 2023 to the Capital Reserves fund. Motion carried; three ayes.**

Upcoming vacations – Morton has trips to Ohio and Vegas for July, but will be back for the August meeting. Potts will be traveling to Indiana but also will be back for the August meeting.

Citizens` Comments and Concerns

-John Flaugh mentioned that he signed up for Medicare, and will be taking on his own supplemental healthcare. Therefore, beginning September 1st he will no longer need the health insurance through the township.

-Dan Miller commented that Blooming Valley VFD now has members who are EMS certified.

**** Motion made by Morton, seconded by Sharpe, to adjourn. Motion carried; three ayes.
Meeting adjourned at 6:51 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Phillips
Township Secretary