

August 1, 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, Mike Lokuta, Nancy Lokuta, Ray Crocker, and Rick Makohus.

Minutes of the July 11, 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:

Local ESM training – Crawford County Conservation District sent an email about road crew needing to attend to qualify for funding. John and Brian will be attending on Sept 11 & 12 at Cross Creek.

Letter from Art Hoffman – He is requesting signs for his hidden driveway

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 – Possibly look at updating the playground equipment.

Road Master's Report – The month of July we have been putting gravel down on Humes Rd, Seiler Rd, and Mercer Rd. We spot repaired John Brown Rd, North Richmond Rd, and Jouver Rd. We also bermed Pinney Rd from Greytown Hills Rd to Beider Rd. We have been grading and putting brine down. We are hopeful that we can get a heavy duty tandem to haul material since the other truck is not inspected and needs a new frame. We are making due with the single axle, which requires lots more trips. Watch out for us as we are out there working.

Tax Collection Committee – No report.

Website Report – There were 249 visitors who accessed the website.

Old Business:

Update on meter for diesel pump – WIP. Wasps need to be taken care of that are present around the plug-in.

'94 Volvo update – Morton did some searching on Municibid. Bob proposed selling the Volvo and the other single axle (Mack) and use the money from the sales plus use the Capital Funds along with the ARPA Funds to purchase a tandem axle dump truck.

Update on WW II arch memorial – WIP. One quote was for given to repair the arch. Blooming Valley Landscape gave an estimate for some possible landscaping that would make it look nicer. A decision needs to be made about whether to repair the existing structure or tear it down and have it rebuilt. The Veteran's Committee is interested in raising the money possibly through a Go Fund Me page and letters to some local veterans' organizations.

Rec Complex bathrooms – The Keys will be given to renters the day of their rentals. We will look into getting a drop box.

Ground rod at Pavilion #1 – Supervisor Potts will take care of removing the rod.

Groundskeeper for 2025 – Dwight Hall is possibly interested.

Rack system for tax collector – table until November

Work on solar ordinance – Bob will work on coming up with a draft.

John's health insurance – It has been cancelled.

Results of the Centerville July 23rd meeting – This was a public hearing of the Crawford County's new comprehensive plan called Crawford Inspired. They are trying to encourage young working people to relocate and stay in Crawford County. We need to try to improve our township so that it will encourage people to stay here.

New Business -

Possibly sell Chevy dump truck? – Still looking into the best options.

Request for signs on Lyona Rd by Art Hoffman – Application needs to be filled out requesting hidden driveway sign. A study will need to be done to determine if a sign is warranted.

PSATS Regional forum – August 7th in Erie

Update on hazard mitigation meeting and risk assessment held at Townville VFD on July 18th – Bill Taylor will be doing a risk assessment for our township.

Generator for the Rec building – Richmond Township is at risk for power outages during colder weather. There is money that could be used to help purchase a snow plow and/or a generator for the Rec Center in the event of a mass power outage for the purpose of a warming center for residents that need to find a place to come in out of the cold. Potts will fill out the grant application this year for a generator and then next year, an application can be filled out for a snow plow.

Removal of stumps between pavilions – We are still working on getting quotes.

Upcoming vacations – Morton has trips during the second and third week of the month.

Citizens' Comments and Concerns

Nothing was brought before the board.

** Motion made by Morton, seconded by Potts, to adjourn. Motion carried; three ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Phillips
Township Secretary