

RIVERTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING – July 10, 2023

The regular meeting of the Riverton Township Board was called to order at 7:30 P.M. at the Riverton Township Hall by Supervisor Dittmer. Board members present were Gary Dittmer, Cindy Gerbers, Kristi Griffis, and Greg Thurow. Absent – Todd VanNortwick. There were three residents in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance was cited.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dittmer, supported by Trustee Thurow to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read, motion was made by Clerk Gerbers, supported by Trustee Thurow to approve the treasurer report, all in favor, motion carried.

GUEST:

N/A

SHERIFF:

N/A

FIRE CHIEF:

Report was handed out with up-to-date calls.

Working on boat.

Training with other departments. Would like to have a more extensive training on AG equipment, we are looking for old small equipment to practice with. We have a donated grain bin that we will do some training with. Would like to possibly have a training area in the wooded section behind the department in the future. A motion was made by Supervisor Dittmer, supported by Clerk Gerbers to approve use by the fire department of the remaining woods and the start of the development of the area, all in favor, motion carried.

ASSESSOR:

July Board of Review is July 18 @ 10 am, there is one item to review.

Indian Summer is aware of the error, roughly \$10,548.00. We are in the process of correcting the error, with the proper agencies.

COMMISSIONER:

County has received 6 proposals for the extensive search for the replacement of Fabion.

County is in discussions for an SRO at the ESD. They have received a grant to help with the cost. Currently the sheriff's office is short on people.

County is reviewing the Housing Repair Project. \$55,000 has been used to day, looking to add another \$17,000. County will get dollars back if home is sold or if home is refinanced. A question was asked if a lien is placed on the home, Commission Hull was unsure, but would check.

County reviewing an agreement between the County Treasurer and the land bank to help with property clean up.

Sheriff Cole is looking to purchase a night vision drone. Cost is roughly \$8,000, they have \$3,500 in donations to date.

County broadband is still on the docket. Decisions to be made as to where to take the funds to see what the cost would be to provide countywide broadband. The charge to do the research is \$68,000.

County also looking at the setbacks associated with Solar Energy.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Janice VanNortwick was in attendance to say that we are ready for Clean up Day, August 12, 2023.

SUPERVISOR:

- Trustee Thurow – gravel roads are holding good.
- Treasurer Griffis – no report.
- Trustee VanNortwick - Absent.
- Clerk Gerbers – received pricing from Fischer Gas for propane for the upcoming year, quote is \$1.599, a motion was made by Supervisor Dittmer, supported by Treasurer Griffis to have Clerk Gerbers return the form accepting this pricing, all in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water leak from the water line has been fixed. Great Lakes Pet Fencing came and repaired the fencing around the generator. May have them look at the fencing at the ball diamond.

Hall rentals have slowed.

Family of Mary Nichols will be having a bench made in honor of Mary, she was the treasurer for over 25 years for Riverton.

Clerk Gerbers made a motion to have the floor redone with the ceramic seal, supported by Supervisor Dittmer to have this completed in November, all in favor, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the parking lot construction, will be in four phases. A motion was made by Supervisor Dittmer, supported by Trustee Thurow to move forward with phase 1, all in favor, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the creation of the township website. A motion was made by Supervisor Dittmer, supported by Clerk Gerbers, Treasurer Griffis was not in favor, with 3 yea's and 1 nay, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Household Hazardous Waste will be August 19 at the road commission. Possible car tire collection in September.

PRESENTATION OF CHECKS – See attached, a motion was made by Clerk Gerbers, supported by Treasurer Griffis that invoices be accepted and paid, all in favor, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, meeting was adjourned at 8:36 P.M. until **Monday, August 7, 2023** at 7:30 P.M. at the Riverton Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted –

Cindy Gerbers
Township Clerk