

**LAGRANGE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**  
**April 13, 2009**

This was a regular meeting of the LaGrange Township Trustees. Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with all members of the board present. Canfield motioned to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting with one correction; Burnett seconded the motion, roll call – all yes. Canfield motioned to approve the minutes of the March 31 regular meeting; Ford seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

**Public Participation**

Kim Strauss was present to discuss the condition of the basketball nets at the Township Vet's park. The Village has checked into the cost of new break away nets for the township courts because of the condition of the present ones which are rusted and bent. New ones would cost approximately \$3889.80 and KATS has offered to donate \$1000.00 towards the purchase and the village has offered to pay half of the balance. Canfield motioned to spend up to \$1500.00 towards the purchase of the new nets; Burnett seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

**Cemetery**

Klocek left a report that noted that he will be getting the cemeteries ready for Memorial Day. He had three funerals and sold one lot. They are making foundations and getting the lawnmowers ready for mowing season. The next Dumpster Day is May 19 from 7am to 12 noon.

The Fireman's Music show was a success with over 1000 people attending.

**Fire and EMS**

Chief Rader gave the March report for the Fire Department. Material is being ordered for the remodeling of the garage to include additional sleeping quarters for the EMS department.

The Lorain County Chiefs Association has received a Homeland Security grant for the purchase of new radios countywide due to a change in the narrow banding frequencies. LaGrange will receive 30 portables, 9 truck radios and 14 pagers for the department. All of the old radios after the change will be obsolete. This includes reprogramming the radios and receivers.

Straub gave the EMS report for March. He noted that he has applied for a training grant. After discussion Canfield motioned to approve up to \$190.00 for Kathleen Kayden to attend a symposium at Metro Health, Ford seconded the motion, roll call – all yes. He also noted that all shifts were filled and that the money spent to increase shifts was well spent.

**Road and Bridge**

French noted that the toys at the Vet's Park need to be remulched. Canfield asked that he make sure that the mulch is sterilized and has no thistles so there won't be a problem with weeds like we had last time. Prices will be obtained for the next meeting.

The new pickup truck has no hitch and the old one will not fit. He will get prices on new hitches for the truck.

They are working on the new catch basin at the fire station and will be getting extra concrete to pour cemetery foundations.

French asked about the progress of getting the Webster Road ditch cleaned through Pheasant Run. Burnett said he had a response from the Prosecutor that the property is still in litigation and Pheasant Run cannot give an easement at this time. French said he would like to put pipe in about 100 feet of the ditch west of Whitehead and install it through two properties who have signed easements. He would install two 24 inch pipes through the property and under the road with a catch basin. He will put together more information and pricing for the next meeting.

#### Zoning

No report.

#### Fiscal Officer

Financial reports for March were presented to the Board for review for the next meeting.

#### RLCWA

Burnett said the last meeting was a quick 20 minutes. Bids for the Rochester water tower will be opened on April 29. South Amherst has 60 days to review a study done to take over all of the water lines there put in by Rural Water.

#### LORCO

Canfield reported that the bid openings were lower than expected.

#### CIC

Burnett reported that Lorain County Community Development paid just under \$250,000.00 to the new Nursing Home under the agreement they had to create more than 40 jobs. They have more than doubled that number with up to 150 jobs possible.

#### Community Park

Burnett reported that Steve Constantine has resigned from the board and a new member is needed from the township. Canfield motioned to appoint Jim Dotson to the board to fulfill his term; Burnett seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

Burnett motioned to put out bids for the Park Board for the purchase of 6000-8000 tons of #304 recycled stone and hauling for the new parking lot, Canfield seconded the motion, roll call – all yes. Bid opening will be May 11 at 7pm.

#### Trustee Comments

Burnett noted that members of the board of the Old Glory Grange were present to discuss the purchase of the Grange Hall by the township. The township has been offered the property at a cost of \$20,000.00 with all costs being paid by the township except property taxes. Approximate closing costs would be \$118.50. Judy Bowles from the Grange noted that they need to have an auction in the near future before possession is transferred which would be in under 120 days. Burnett motioned to enter into a contract to purchase the property per the contract which was drawn up by Prosecutor Innes, Ford

seconded the motion roll call – Burnett, yes, Canfield, abstain, Ford, yes. Canfield asked that it be put in the minutes that she did not take place in any and all discussion on this purchase other than legal issues. The Trustees and the Grange board members, Avery Wilcox, Judy Bowles and Kimberly Tompkins, proceeded to sign the purchase agreement. Burnett will take the contract to the Prosecutor for his signature.

## Bills

The following bills were presented for payment;

23292	void	
23293	LaGrange Township.....	245,000.00
23294	LaGrange Utilities.....	188.14
23295	Auditor of State of Ohio .....	795.00
23296	Page Equipment .....	132.00
23297	Columbia Gas.....	334.48
23298	Trico Oxygen .....	105.30
23299	LaGrange Hardware.....	218.04
23300	Village of LaGrange .....	53.25
23301	void	
23302	Judco, Inc. ....	448.95
23303	Stericycle.....	52.72
23304	Ohio Edison .....	616.04
23305	HD Waterworks .....	295.60
23306	Hanson Aggregates .....	621.53
23307	Verizon wireless.....	151.98
23308	Lagrange Community Park.....	50000.00
23309	Lorain County Treasurer.....	12730.00
23310	Town and Country Co-op .....	1475.58
23311	Allied Waste.....	2784.60
23312	Miller and Company .....	117.75
23313	Lemke Sales .....	22.10
23314	Windstream .....	92.66
23315	Perkins Motor Service.....	410.27
23316	Royal Supply.....	132.30
23317	Mac’s General Merchandise .....	612.50
23318	Kepecor, Inc.....	1760.00
23319	Geoshack.....	275.00
23320	NAPA.....	153.57
23321	B&C Communications.....	427.00
23322	Columbia Gas.....	982.64
23323	Hannah Akers.....	64.80
23324	Michael Behner .....	321.82
23325	Jeremy Boggs.....	949.53
23326	Gary Burnett.....	749.88
23327	Rita Canfield .....	814.60
23328	Lisa Canitia .....	483.09

23329	Shawn Cheatham .....	293.80
23330	Roberta Moore .....	1085.25
23331	Roberta Moore .....	390.91
23332	Brian Durante.....	818.47
23333	Marlon Ford .....	768.28
23334	Michael Foreman .....	1176.35
23335	David French.....	1191.84
23336	George Howard.....	1047.99
23337	Jeremy Hughes.....	736.98
23338	Kathleen Kayden.....	210.50
23339	Michael Kempert .....	326.02
23340	George Klocek .....	1056.49
23341	James Marrelli.....	836.49
23342	Theresa Durante .....	156.28
23343	Jerry Norton .....	269.61
23344	Craig Payne.....	244.40
23345	James Rader .....	1321.44
23346	Caleb Ramsey .....	671.70
23347	Bradley Rider .....	345.65
23348	Jean Ruth.....	353.30
23349	Barry Seth .....	1063.16
23350	Vince Sigmund.....	510.11
23351	Todd Straub.....	697.09
23352	Dave Thompson.....	96.79
23353	Linda Thompson .....	368.11
23354	Jeff Wells .....	194.26
23355	Desi Justin.....	417.90
23356	David French.....	1131.84
23357	George Howard.....	987.99
23358	George Klocek .....	996.49
23359	First Merit Bank .....	2759.36
23360	LaGrange Township.....	360.00
23361	Cleveland Center Credit Union.....	150.00
23362	Ohio Dept. of Taxation .....	1438.95
23363	RITA .....	1256.51

After review of the bills, Canfield motioned to approve payment as requested; Burnett seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

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