

**LAGRANGE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**  
**July 9, 2007**

This was a regular meeting of the LaGrange Township Trustees. Harper called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with all members of the board present. Burnett motioned to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting, Canfield seconded the motion. Roll call – all yes.

**Public Participation**

Robert Ripley, Festival Chairman for the LaGrange Lions, was present. They are once again seeking donations for the fireworks presentation. He has approached the Village Council and they agreed to donate \$1500.00 towards the fireworks and challenged the Township to match their donation. He stated that the cost is around \$9000.00 to put on the fireworks show and the majority of that cost comes from local businesses. Burnett motioned to donate \$1500.00 to the LaGrange Lions for fireworks; Canfield seconded the motion, roll call – all yes. This year the festival is July 26 to July 28.

**Cemetery and Parks**

Klocek reported two funerals since the last meeting. Dumpster day had about 70 people dropping off rubbish. The next and last dumpster of the year will be held on September 22.

The Engineer has finished surveying the cemetery but stakes have not been placed. The chain link fence on West Street can be reused for the north side of the cemetery and a new fence will be purchased for the remainder of the cemetery.

**Fire and EMS**

Chief Rader gave the June report for the Fire Department. Three computers have been ordered at a cost of approximately \$1800.00 each. The go ahead has been received for placing the repeater on the new water tower.

A letter was received from Columbia Gas notifying the township that there are gas meters on the buildings that could possibly be defective. No action was taken at this time.

Fire extinguishers need to be replaced at a cost of \$862.00. Canfield motioned to approve the purchase of 15 extinguishers at a cost not to exceed \$862.00; Burnett seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

**Road and Bridge**

French reported that Lytle is moving in stone for the Whitney Road project. The department has been working on Whitney Road to do our part of the project.

**Zoning**

Sigmund reported that 11 permits had been issued since the last meeting. He noted that there have been no complaints on the county inspectors for the last six months.

A complaint in Pheasant Run about a landscaping business violation has been sent to the Prosecutor for a follow up. The Prosecutor is also working on a junk car issue in

the township. An issue on Whitehead Road where several cars are stored has been sent to the Sheriffs Department for follow up.

Garage Sale weekend will be held this weekend in the Township and Village.

#### Fiscal Officer

After review of the comp time issue, Burnett motioned to approve comp time, but no annual carry over is allowed and employees cannot accrue more than 20 hours without prior approval, Canfield seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

In the driving rules and regulations the Fire Chief questioned an item under general rules and regulations. Burnett motioned to change the word “will” to “should” in item 14 so that it will state that “personal vehicles should not be used to pull trailers or haul equipment while being used in township related business”, Canfield seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

A letter from the Prosecutor shall be sent out to all vendors asking them to submit a document verifying that they have not contributed in excess of \$2000.00 to any members of the Board of Trustees. This is in compliance with House Bill 694.

The financial statements for June were submitted for review.

#### Community Park

Burnett stated that the Park had received a \$20,000.00 grant from the Nord Foundation and this will be used to complete the parking lot and infrastructure. The maintenance building water line is installed and the electric to the building is done. Volunteers will pour the concrete pad and sidewalk. The walking trails will also be finished soon.

Canfield motioned to allow the LaGrange Lions to use the park for setting off the fireworks with the fire chief overseeing the event, Burnett seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

#### CIC

Burnett stated that the CHP building should be here in two weeks and the nursing home property should be transferred in the next two weeks.

#### LORCO

Harper noted that their meeting is this week.

#### LCRWA

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#### Trustees Comments

Canfield thanked the Fiscal Officer for compiling the budget for 2008 and commended her on doing a fantastic job.

Canfield noted that NOACA needs to look for ways to lower expenses with dues increasing 5.25 per cent each year.

Burnett noted that Tom Moran will be at the next meeting to give a report on the repairs needed at the old fire station.

Harper acknowledged an article in the Chronicle on Todd Straub who is also an officer and was involved in a police chase and had a large part to do with apprehending the vehicle. Canfield motioned to have a Resolution drawn up commending Todd on his action, Harper seconded the motion, roll call – all yes.

**Bills**

The following bills were presented for payment:

21546	Ohio Edison.....	798.07
21547	Farm Plan.....	40.72
21548	Ohio Dept. of Administrative Services.....	100.00
21549	Chronicle Telegram.....	27.85
21550	LaGrange Utilities.....	209.55
21551	Auditor of State.....	889.27
21552	LaGrange Hardware.....	148.79
21553	Trico Oxygen.....	210.95
21554	Kayline.....	189.46
21555	Ohio Fire Chiefs Association.....	240.00
21556	Columbia Gas.....	31.66
21557	NOACA.....	64.00
21558	ACS Firehouse Solutions.....	815.00
21559	LaGrange Business Center.....	24.95
21560	Hanson.....	365.75
21561	Mac's.....	285.00
21562	Town and Country Co-op.....	2659.11
21563	Deborah Abicht.....	100.74
21564	Hannah Akers.....	209.48
21565	Gary Burnett.....	753.12
21566	Rita Canfield.....	796.54
21567	Lisa Canita.....	665.51
21568	Jeff Denham.....	622.82
21569	Roberta Moore.....	989.41
21570	Roberta Moore.....	309.83
21571	Brian Durante.....	167.17
21572	Michael Foreman.....	1196.78
21573	David French.....	1141.41
21574	Barbara Harper.....	661.55
21575	George Howard.....	941.88
21576	Kathleen Kayden.....	223.16
21577	George Klocek.....	916.55
21578	James Marrelli.....	299.14
21579	Theresa Narowitz.....	553.57
21580	Jerry Norton.....	73.99
21581	Nathan Opfer.....	75.29
21582	James Rader.....	494.95
21583	Carrie Robinson.....	240.56

21584	Jean Ruth.....	341.27
21585	Barry Seth.....	1809.58
21586	Vince Sigmund.....	455.15
21587	Guy Storch.....	162.69
21588	Todd Straub.....	290.47
21589	Fred Swanson.....	223.56
21590	Linda Thompson.....	204.47
21591	Jeff Wells .....	144.94
21592	HD Waterworks .....	1030.40
21593	First Merit Bank .....	2436.53
21594	Ohio Dept. of Taxation.....	440.46
21595	LaGrange Township.....	180.00
21596	Cleveland Center Credit Union.....	150.00
21597	Regional Income Tax Authority .....	1103.72
21598	PERS .....	5420.54
21599	First Merit Bank .....	242.92
21600	Verizon.....	74.64
21601	Jeanette Darby.....	300.00

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

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:43pm.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Fiscal Officer