

RESOLUTION NO. 45-2014 (Amended 06-03-2014)

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION TO FORM THE RICHFIELD JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Village of Richfield believes that a joint recreation district formed pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §755.14 may be an effective means of (a) providing community programming in recreational, educational, social, cultural and athletic areas, and (b) acquiring property for, constructing, operating and maintain parks, playgrounds, play fields, and to preserve and protect real property with valuable natural features, such as the Crowell-Hilaka property in Richfield Township, as parks and spaces for governmental, civic educational or recreational activities for the benefit of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Richfield has determined that it is in the best interest of the residents of the Village of Richfield, in conjunction with Richfield Township, to establish a joint recreation district, the boundaries of which should be the boundaries of the Village of Richfield and Richfield Township; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Richfield believes that it is in the public's interest to obtain board representation on the governing body for such a joint recreation district; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Village of Richfield, County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Contingent upon passage of a consistent resolution by the Richfield Township Board of Trustees, there is hereby established a joint recreation district, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 755.14(C), which shall be known as the Richfield Joint Recreation District, the boundaries and territory of which shall be the boundaries and territory of the Village of Richfield and Richfield Township.

SECTION 2. The Richfield Joint Recreation District shall have all of those powers enumerated under Ohio Revised Code § 755.12 et seq.

SECTION 3. The Richfield Joint Recreation District shall be governed by the Richfield Joint Recreation District Board of Trustees, which shall consist of seven (7) trustees. The Village of Richfield Council and Richfield Township shall each appoint two (2) individuals residing within the respective appointing subdivision to serve on the Board of Trustees and shall each appoint one (1) additional Trustee who may reside inside or outside the District. Vacancies in the offices of the subdivision-appointed members of the Board of Trustees shall be filled by the legislative authority of the subdivision that initially appointed the Trustee.

Each appointing subdivision shall make its initial three (3) appointments to the Richfield Joint Recreation District Board of Trustees within thirty (30) days from the later of the date of passage of this Resolution by the Richfield Village Council or passage of the Resolution establishing the Richfield Joint Recreation District by the Richfield Township Board of Trustees.

Not later than thirty (30) days after the last date of appointment of the initial Trustees by the governmental entities, one (1) at-large Trustee residing within the District shall be appointed by a majority vote of the six (6) initial subdivision-appointed members of the Board of Trustees. A vacancy occurring within the term of the Board-appointed Trustee shall be filled by vote of the Board.

SECTION 4. Each Trustee on the Board of Trustees of the Joint Recreation District shall be appointed for a three (3) year term, with the exception that the initial terms for members appointed by each subdivision shall be staggered at one (1), two (2) and three (3) years.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 6. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village and for the further reason that the Richfield Joint Recreation District must be established at the earliest possible time in order to pursue the acquisition of the Crowell-Hilaka property in Richfield Township; wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council elected or appointed, it shall take effect immediately upon its passage and execution by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 6-3-2014

[Signature]
President of Council

Barbara Barbara
Mayor

Dated: 6-10-14

ATTEST:
[Signature]
Clerk of Council

Clerk of Council of the Village
Richfield, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing
is a true and correct copy of 45-2014
adopted by the Council on 6-3-14
[Signature]