

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING  
HELD OCTOBER 4, 2022

PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MET IN REGULAR SESSION, CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 BY CHAIRPERSON KEVIN COX. GREG KESSEN PRESENT, JACK NEAL PRESENT. ROLL CALL BY FISCAL OFFICER. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOLLOWED.

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 2022, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.***

**SANDY HOFACKER, FISCAL OFFICER –**

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$65,282.78, 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.***

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR SEPTEMBER, 2022, 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.***

***JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A NEW LIQUOR PERMIT FOR D'S OF OHIO, INC., DBA CAPTAIN D'S SEAFOOD & HAMBURGERS, 2020 HARDING HWY., LIMA, OHIO. 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL.***

OUR TOWNSHIP AUDIT HAS BEEN PUT OUT FOR BID BY THE STATE OF OHIO. THERE WAS ONLY ONE BIDDER, GUEYE & ASSOCIATES, CPA, INC. THE COST FOR EACH BI-ANNUAL AUDIT WILL BE \$7,250.00 AND THE CONTRACT RUNS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AUDIT BID FROM GUEYE & ASSOCIATES, CPA, INC., 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.***

SANDY GAVE COPIES OF THE CURRENT FUND AND APPROPRIATION STATUS FOR THIRD QUARTER TO TRUSTEES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS TO REVIEW.

GUESTS:

**JIM CLEMENTZ**

JIM JUST WANTED TO COMMENT ON 304 AMHERST. IT'S BEEN RELATIVELY QUIET AND HOPEFULLY IT WILL STAY AT WAY. THE NEIGHBORS FIRE UP THEIR MOTORS EVERY ONCE IN AWHILE BUT JIM DOESN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT.

**WILMA YOUNGBLOOD**

WANTS TO TALK TO TRUSTEES ABOUT PAVING. ALL THE STREETS AROUND HER WERE PAVED BUT 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET WAS SKIPPED AND SHE WANTS TO KNOW WHY. KEVIN STATED THAT THEY TRY TO GO AND SEE WHICH ROADS ARE THE WORST AND TAKE CARE OF THOSE FIRST. WE ONLY APPROPRIATE SO MUCH MONEY EACH YEAR FOR REPAVING. WILMA ASKED IF THEY COULD BE ON THE LIST FOR NEXT YEAR. KEVIN SAID THEY WILL LOOK INTO IT AND SEE HOW BUDGET WORKS OUT.

WILMA SAID THERE ARE A LOT OF COMMERCIAL TRUCKS CUTTING THROUGH HER NEIGHBORHOOD – USUALLY IN THE MORNING. BOB SAID THEY WOULD TRY TO PATROL IT MORE. WILMA SAID THEY CUT THROUGH YARD ON REESE AND MCCLAIN AND MESSED UP A NEIGHBOR'S YARD. WILMA SAID THEY ARE CAUSING ROAD DETERIORATION.

**JOE MAYS**

JOE ASKED ABOUT LENNOX AVENUE. THERE ARE 3 HOUSES WITH TYVEK WRAP AND NO SIDING. JOE FEELS THEY SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE SIDING. HE ALSO ASKED ABOUT 206 W 14<sup>TH</sup> ST. THERE IS A MODULAR HOME THERE THAT HAS BEEN SPLIT APART TO MOVE IT. THERE'S A NEW CONCRETE PAD AT MAIN & 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET RIGHT ACROSS FROM TIRE COMPANY. JOE WOULD LIKE US TO FOLLOW UP AND LET HIM KNOW WHAT THE TOWNSHIP IS GOING TO DO. HOUSE TO BE MOVED BELONGS TO JOHN BREWSTER AND HE'S WORKING ON IT. SHOULD BE MOVED SOON,

**SASHA WEIGT**

**CHUCK WEIGT**

CHUCK ASKED ABOUT CREEK ON BOWMAN WHERE ROAD IS BEING ERODED AWAY. NICK SAID HE AND COREY ARE WORKING ON A PLAN. IT IS UP TO THE COUNTY TO REPAIR.

CHUCK ALSO NOTED THERE ARE A LOT OF TELEPHONE POLES IN THE TOWNSHIP THAT ARE IN ROUGH SHAPE. GREG HAS CALLED PHONE COMPANY REGARDING THIS ISSUE BUT HAS RECEIVED NO RETURN CALLS. BOB PHILLIPS SAID THEY WON'T REPAIR THEM UNTIL THERE ARE ENOUGH THAT NEED REPAIRED. CHUCK ALSO ASKED ABOUT YODER ROAD PAVING. NICK SAID IT'S UP TO COUNTY TO FIX SINCE THIS IS A COUNTY ROAD.

**JOHN BREWSTER**

**BOB PHILLIPS, POLICE CHIEF**

BOB GOT A NOTICE FROM OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH TO PUT REID FOUST ON LIGHT DUTY UNTIL LATE OCTOBER DUE TO SHOULDER INJURY HE SUFFERED WHILE ON DUTY.

WEEK OF OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup> IS TEEN DRIVER SAFETY WEEK. HE WAS CONTACTED BY PERRY SCHOOLS TO COME DOWN ONE DAY AND CHECK SEAT BELTS.

GREG JUST WANTED TO SAY JOHN ITEN AND TOBY WATSON DO A GREAT JOB. GREG ASKED IF EMPLOYEES ARE STILL REQUIRED TO LOG IN TO DISPATCH SINCE IT'S NOT ALWAYS HAPPENING. BOB SAID THEY ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN IN AND HE WILL CHECK ON THIS.

KEVIN ASKED BOB IF HE WOULD ATTEND PERRY TOWNSHIP NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS. NEXT MEETING IS 10/24/2022. ITS ALWAYS 4<sup>TH</sup> MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 6PM. BOB WILL ATTEND. KEVIN SAID THEY HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE RUNNING STOP SIGNS. BOB IS AWARE OF THIS AND WILL CHECK INTO IT.

**NICK ADAMS, ROAD DEPT.**

***GREG KESSEN MADE MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF 735BT GRASSHOPPER 61" MOWER AT A COST OF \$13,011.93, 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL***

NICK GAVE TRUSTEES INFO ON COST OF ADDING ZONING SIGNS. THE COST FOR 12 SIGNS IS \$814.56. GREG KESSEN REACHED OUT TO REGIONAL PLANNING TO SEE IF WE CAN GET HELP PAYING FOR THESE.

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO PURCHASE 12 – 18X24 ZONING SIGNS AT A COST OF \$814.56, 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.***

**SANDY HOFACKER, ZONING INSPECTOR**

THERE WERE 5 PERMITS ISSUED IN SEPTEMBER FOR A TOTAL OF \$500.00

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT ZONING PERMIT FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.***

SANDY REMINDED THE TRUSTEES THAT WE NEED MORE ZONING COMMISSION AND ZONING APPEALS BOARD MEMBERS. KEVIN AND GREG STATED THEY WILL LOOK INTO RECRUITING SOME NEW MEMBERS.

THE WINDOW TO APPLY FOR ZONING INSPECTOR CLOSE ON 9/30/2022. WE HAD 3 APPLICANTS.

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR ZONING INSPECTOR FROM RYAN KLINKMAN, CHARLES WEIGT AND JOHN BREWSTER. 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL..***

TRUSTEES INDICATED THAT WE NEED TO SET UP A SPECIAL MEETING TO INTERVIEW APPLICANTS. THEY SET MEETING UP FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM. NOTICE OF 48 HRS IS REQUIRED. THEY WILL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO INTERVIEW.

***JACK NEAL MADE MOTION TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 13, 2022 TO INTERVIEW CANDIDATES FOR ZONING INSPECTOR, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL.***

**JUSTIN ROBERTS, FIRE CHIEF**

JUSTIN ASKED TO REVISIT THE PURCHASE REQUEST FOR COMPLETE SET OF TIRES FOR ENGINE 1405 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6481.00. HE NEEDS APPROVAL TO MOVE FORWARD. HE HAS RECEIVED NO

RESPONSE BACK ON POSSIBLE TRADE IN \$'S FOR OLD TIRES. JUSTIN SAID IF THEY WON'T GIVE \$'S FOR TRADE, HE'LL BRING OLD TIRES BACK.

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF COMPLETE SET OF TIRES FOR ENGINE 1405 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,481, 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.**

JUSTIN ROBERTS ALSO WANTED TO REVISIT PURCHASE REQUEST FOR FIRE HOSES AND NOZZLES. JUSTIN HAS \$48,000 IN HIS BUDGET TO COVER COSTS.

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE \$6,710 FOR 8-50FT SECTIONS OF 2" HOSE TO REPLACE THE 2.5" HOSE AND 8-50FT SECTIONS OF 1.75" HOSE. ALSO, 2-1.1.75" TASK FORCE TIP FIXED GALLON NOZZLES AND 2-2.5" SHUT OFF & 1-1/8" NOZZLE TIP, 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.**

JUSTIN HAS ORIENTATION ON OCTOBER 19, 2022 FOR LUKE KORWIN TO ATTEND EMT SCHOOL AT COST OF 1390.00. WILL REVISIT THIS AT NEXT MEETING.

JUSTIN HAS 2 APPLICATIONS FOR PART TIME HELP. THE FIRST IS NOAH BABCOK, A LEVEL 2 FIREFIGHTER. JUSTIN HAS EXISTING GEAR FOR HIM.

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO HIRE NOAH BABCOCK AS A PT FIREFIGHTER AT THE APPLICABLE RATE OF PAY, JACK NEAL 2<sup>ND</sup>, ROLL CALL.**

NICHOLAS MYERS IS AN EMT AND IS PUTTING HIMSELF THROUGH SCHOOL SO THERE WILL BE NO COST TO US. HE LIVES OUT OF TOWN BUT SPENDS A LOT OF TIME IN LIMA.

**JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO HIRE NICHOLAS MYERS AS A PART TIME EMT AT APPLICABLE RATE, GREG KESSEN 2<sup>ND</sup>, ROLL CALL.**

JUSTIN STATED THAT HIS 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY WAS AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>. HE IS REQUESTING HIS 10 CENTS PER HOUR RAISE RETROACTIVE TO AUGUST. GREG SAID HE THOUGHT THIS EXCLUDES THE CHIEF AS HE IS SALARIED.

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A 10 CENT PER HOUR RAISE FOR JUSTIN ROBERTS RETROACTIVE TO AUGUST 7, 2022, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL.**

JUSTIN ASKED ABOUT DISPATCH CONTRACT – HAVE WE HEARD ANYTHING? GREG TEXTED BRIAN WINEGARDNER, ALLEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, TO LET THEM KNOW WE WON'T BE RESTRUCTURING OUR DISPATCH CONTRACT. WE WILL HAVE TO AMEND THE BUDGET TO COVER COSTS. WE MAY TAKE FROM GENERAL FUND FOR CONTRACTED SERVICES. WE MAY ADJUST POLICE BUDGET TO HELP PAY. BOB EXPRESSED DISPLEASURE THAT IT'S COMING OUT OF HIS POCKET. SANDY WILL CHECK WITH AUDITOR TO SEE HOW WE CAN REDISTRIBUTE EXPENSE. ASK WHERE WE CAN JUSTIFY TAKING THESE FUNDS FROM. JUSTIN SAID WE SHOULD CHALLENGE SHERIFF TREGLIA AS TO WHY WE HAVE SUCH A LARGE INCREASE. JUSTIN WANTS TO KNOW WHY FIRE AND EMS ARE THE ONLY ONES BEING PUNISHED. KEVIN WILL ASK HOWARD VIOLET HIS THOUGHTS. JUSTIN FEELS WE NEED TO RESOLVE THIS. JACK FEELS IT'S A COUNTY SERVICE AND THE COUNTY SHOULD PUT OUT A LEVY. TRUSTEES TABLED DISCUSSION UNTIL AFTER SANDY TALKS TO AUDITOR. GREG WILL CHECK TO SEE WHERE LEVY MONEY FROM 2014 WENT. JUSTIN WANTS IT STATED THAT HE DISAGREES WITH FIRE DEPARTMENT FOOTING THIS WHOLE BILL.

## **TRUSTEES**

GREG KESSEN WROTE UP 2 GRANTS – ONE FOR CLEAN UP DAY AND ONE TO KEEP OUR RECYCLING DUMPSTER.

GREG ALSO WANTED TO REVISIT TOWNSHIP EQUIPMENT BEING USED FOR A PRIVATE COMPANY SINCE THE MOTION HE PUT FORTH AT THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 MEETING WASN'T ACTED ON. GREG ASKED IF THERE HAD BEEN ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. BOB PHILLIPS SAID HE CHECKED WITH SHAWNEE AND ALL THEY DO IS A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR \$10 PER HOUR FOR USE OF CRUISER. OTHER MONEY IS PAID TO OFFICERS. GREG SAID THERE IS CONFUSION AROUND THIS ISSUE. GREG VISITED THE SHERIFF'S DEPT AWHILE AGO AND GOT A DIFFERENT STORY. JACK NEAL SAID HE TALKED TO SOME DEPUTIES WHO TOLD HIM THEY HAVE NO WRITTEN CONTRACTS. GREG KESSEN SAID THAT BASED ON OUR EMPLOYMENT HANDBOOK, CHAPTER 7, SECTION 7.07, PARAGRAPH B, "Personal business use, misuse, neglect, theft, and abuse of township tools, supplies, electronic devices, computers, vehicles, or equipment for other than Township business purposes, except in emergencies, shall result in disciplinary action as outlined in Section 9". GREG SAID A LOT IS SPELLED OUT IN HANDBOOK

KEVIN WENT TO NORTHWEST PERRY MEETING. SPAGHETTI DINNER WAS SUCCESS MADE \$452.20. NEIGHBORHOOD HAS ISSUES WITH SPEEDERS.

ON 9/28 KEVIN WENT TO MS4 (STORMWATER) MEETING WITH BETH SEIBERT AND OTHERS. THEY'RE TRYING TO GET TIMELINE TO GET EPA ON MS4 CONTRACT. LOOKING AT STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN, STORMWATER & SEDIMENT REGULATIONS AND TMDL (TOTAL MAX DAILY LOAD) MEASURING HOW MUCH POLLUTION IS GOING INTO LAKE ERIE. THEY WILL HAVE ANOTHER MEETING. THEY ARE TRYING TO COMPLY WITH MS4.

KEVIN TALKED TO RACHEL GILROY ABOUT ARPA MONEY GOING TO GENERAL FUND AND LAND BANK MONEY FROM A YEAR AGO. MARY WILLIAMSON WANTS AN OLD BUILDING TORN DOWN. KEVIN TRYING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH MARY WILLIAMSON TO GET THE BUILDING ADDRESS TO PUT HER NAME ON LIST.

GREG KESSEN GAVE TRUSTEES AND MYSELF CURRENT GUIDELINES FOR HB294. GREG ASKED KAYLA CAMPBELL TO REVIEW THESE GUIDELINES AND HELP US PUT TOGETHER UPDATED GUIDELINES FOR 2023.

***GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 9:15PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.***