

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING
HELD APRIL 18, 2023

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

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CORRECTED MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 4, 2022, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

SANDY HOFACKER, FISCAL OFFICER –

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$32,334.62, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR MARCH, 2023, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

SANDY REMINDED DEPARTMENT HEADS TO HAVE THE NEWSLETTER INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE END OF APRIL.

SANDY ASKED THE DEPARTMENT HEADS TO BEGIN THINKING ABOUT THINGS FOR NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET.

JACK NEAL READ PART OF THE LETTER THE TRUSTEES RECEIVED FROM THE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING OUR SAFETY SERVICES CONTRACT. THE TRUSTEES DISAGREE WITH THE AMOUNT BEING CHARGED TO PERRY TOWNSHIP BUT FEEL WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO PAY FOR YEAR 2023. FIRE CHIEF KEVIN RADER AND POLICE CHIEF BOB PHILLIPS SUBMITTED LETTERS TO THE TRUSTEES ASKING THEM TO PAY THE BILL TO AVOID INTERRUPTION OF SERVICES TO RESIDENTS.

KEVIN COX MADE RESOLUTION #2023.0418-01 TO PAY UNDER PROTEST THE 2023 BILL FOR SAFETY SERVICES DISPATCH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,365.24, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL

JACK NEAL MADE RESOLUTION #2023.0418-02 TO ACCEPT THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE PARTICIPATION PACKAGE SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

JACK NEAL MADE RESOLUTION #2023.0418-03 TO ENTER INTO 2023 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN ALLEN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND PERRY TOWNSHIP FOR MS4 STORMWATER PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CREDIT CARD POLICY UPDATED 4/18/2023, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

KEVIN COX MADE RESOLUTION #2023.0418-04 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ALLEN COUNTY TIRC MEETING HELD MARCH 15, 2023, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

GUESTS:

PAUL CURTIS
JIM CLEMENTZ

BOB PHILLIPS, POLICE CHIEF

BOB PHILLIPS ASKED IF WE HAVE AN ATTORNEY WE ARE USING TO HELP WITH TOWNSHIP BUSINESS. BOB NEEDS LEGAL COUNSEL TO SIGN OFF ON POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING. KEVIN COX SAID WE ARE CURRENTLY USING KAYLA CAMPBELL.

BOB ALSO TALKED ABOUT AN INTERACTION THAT OFFICER JOHN ITEN HAD DURING A POLICE CALL. SUSPECT WAS OUT OF IT AND UNCOOPERATIVE AND JOHN'S GLASSES WERE BROKEN. JACK NEAL ASKED WHY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DIDN'T GET INVOLVED. BOB SAID THEY WILL ONLY TAKE FELONIES.

SUSPECT WAS ARRESTED AND HELD FOR 4 HOURS BUT WAS THEN RELEASED. JACK ASKED BOB TO GET SOMETHING IN WRITING FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO CLARIFY WHAT THEIR POLICIES ARE.

COREY LEHMAN, ROAD SUPERVISOR

COREY SAID FRONT DOORS OF ADMINISTRATION BUILDING WERE REPLACED YESTERDAY. DOOR MECHANISMS WERE STRIPPED. ALL SERVICE GLASS CHANGED OUT ALL THE HARDWARE. AMHERST ROAD BETWEEN OSMAN AND KERR ROADS WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW AND POSSIBLY THURSDAY FOR CROSSOVER REPLACEMENT. THAT SECTION OF ROAD WILL ALSO BE REPAVED LATER THIS YEAR.

JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR

JOHN GAVE THE TRUSTEES A COPY OF THE ZONING COMMISSIONS' RECOMMENDATION FROM THEIR APRIL 11TH MEETING FOR THE REZONING REQUEST FROM PAUL CURTIS. JACK NEAL READ THE MINUTES FROM THAT MEETING (SEE ATTACHED). THE BOARD RECOMMENDED THAT THE REQUEST BE DENIED DUE TO SPOT ZONING.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ZONING BOARD TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR THE REZONING OF PAUL CURTIS PROPERTY LOCATED AT FROM RESIDENTIAL TO BUSINESS. 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THIS DECISION ON MAY 5TH AT 11:00AM, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

JOHN BREWSTER IS IN NEED OF HELP FROM LEGAL COUNSEL FOR SEVERAL PROPERTIES HE IS WORKING ON FOR CLEAN UP. KAYLA CAMPBELL, WHO HELPS US NOW, HAS 7 OR 8 CASES AHEAD OF OURS. SANDY HOFACKER SUGGESTED WE REACH OUT TO BOB MEREDITH TO HELP WITH LEGAL COUNSEL FOR SOME OF THE PERRY TOWNSHIP ISSUES TO FREE UP KAYLA.

JACK NEAL MADE MOTION TO HAVE SANDY HOFACKER REACH OUT TO ATTORNEY ROBERT MEREDITH AND RETAIN HIS SERVICES FOR TOWNSHIP LEGAL ISSUES, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF

RADER WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS WHO SUPPORTED THE PANCAKE DAY LAST SATURDAY. THE TURNOUT WAS GREAT AND HE RECEIVED LOTS OF COMPLIMENTS. RADER ALSO THANKED HIS STAFF WHO WORKED HARD TO GET THE STATION READY AND WORKED THE EVENT. THEY DID A GREAT JOB.

THE VFW DONATED \$1000 TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF A THERMAL ENERGY CAMERA.

RADER WILL SET UP PHOTO OP AND THANK THE VFW IN PERSON.

BOTTLES WERE ALL TESTED AND RE-CERTIFIED. EVERYTHING IS BACK UP TO DATE.

RADER TALKED TO ALLIED ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES. THEY VERIFIED THAT THE MAXIMUM THEY WILL CHARGE TO CLEAN UP THE DRAINS WILL BE \$1680.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF \$1680 TO ALLIED ENVIRONMENTAL FOR DRAIN CLEANING 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

RADER SAID LADDER TRUCK 407 IS DUE FOR TESTING AT A COST OF \$1004. SERVICE HAS BEEN SCHEDULED.

KEVIN COX MADE MOTION TO PAY \$1004 FOR SERVICE ON LADDER TRUCK 407, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

ETHAN HULL, LEVEL 1 PARAMEDIC WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND LEVEL II TRANSITION TRAINING FROM 4/25/23 TO 5/25/23 AT A COST OF \$1340. ETHAN WILL SIGN AGREEMENT TO REPAY COSTS IF HE LEAVES WITHIN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME. RADER STATED THAT MOST OF COSTS WOULD PROBABLY BE REIMBURSED FROM GRANT MONEY.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE \$1340 FOR LEVEL II TRANSITION TRAINING FOR ETHAN HULL, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

RADER WILL USE \$10,000 GRANT MONEY TOWARDS THE \$17,000 COST OF TURNOUT GEAR. IT WILL BE SEVERAL MONTHS BEFORE WE RECEIVE THE NEW GEAR.

FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC, MIKA LAYMAN, RECEIVED HER CERTIFICATION TO BE A C.E. INSTRUCTOR. THIS MAKES HER ELIGIBLE FOR \$.20 PER HOUR RAISE.

KEVIN COX MADE MOTION TO APPROVE \$.20 PER HOUR RAISE FOR MIKA LAYMAN FOR C.E. CERTIFICATION, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

RADER NEEDS AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK VIOLATION.
JACK NEAL ASKED RADER ABOUT BILL FOR VALVE REBUILD. RADER WILL HAVE TO LOOK AT BILL AND GET BACK WITH JACK.

TRUSTEES

KEVIN COX TALKED ABOUT THE UPCOMING TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION DINNER BEING HELD AT THE EAGLES IN DELPHOS THIS THURSDAY. KAYLA CAMPBELL WILL BE THE SPEAKER. COST IS \$15. KEVIN SUGGESTED DEPARTMENT HEADS ATTEND.

JACK NEAL READ GARY SADLER'S RESIGNATION LETTER FROM THE ZONING COMMISSION.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION LETTER FROM GARY SADLER, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION AT 8:23PM TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH KEVIN RADER FOR EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK VIOLATION, 2ND JACK NEAL.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION AT 8:25PM TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

ACTION TAKEN.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO SUPPORT CHIEF RADER IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION FOR PART TIME EMPLOYEE FOR HANDBOOK VIOLATION, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:30 PM, SECOND BY JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.