

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING
HELD OCTOBER 17, 2023

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

JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 3, 2023, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLLCALL.

SANDY HOFACKER, FISCAL OFFICER

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$37,472.21, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLLCALL.

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

SANDY IS WORKING ON NEXT YEAR'S SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE THREE LIGHTING DISTRICTS TO BE SENT TO THE COUNTY AUDITORS. WE INCREASED THE ASSESSMENTS LAST YEAR BUT LIGHTING DISTRICTS 1 AND 2 ARE RUNNING SHORT AGAIN THIS YEAR. THE TAXES COLLECTED FROM THOSE LIVING IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS WITH LIGHTING DISTRICTS PAY FOR THE AEP BILLS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. THE COST OF ELECTRICITY HAS INCREASED EVEN MORE THAN ANTICIPATED.

SANDY ATTENDED FISCAL OFFICER TRAINING 10/17/23 IN PERRYSBURG OFFERED BY OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE. TOPICS COVERED WERE OPERS UPDATES, CASH BASIS FORECASTING, CYBERSECURITY AND RECONCILIATION AND PROOF OF CASH.

REGARDING CASH BASIS FORECASTING, THE RECOMMENDATION IS THAT WE FORECAST OUR BUDGET OUT FOR AT LEAST 3 YEARS AND PREFERABLY 5 YEARS. IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT WE LOOK AT THIS YEARS' APPROPRIATION STATUS AND FORECAST OUT WHAT WE THINK WE WILL SPEND IN THE LAST 3 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR. WE CAN USE THIS TO START BUILDING OUR BUDGET FORECAST. EACH DEPARTMENT SHOULD MAKE A LIST OF CAPITAL SPENDING ITEMS THEY THINK WILL BE NEEDED IN NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. WE CAN PRIORITIZE USING THIS LIST.

GUESTS:

LARRY SIDENER
NICK MYERS

BOB PHILLIPS, POLICE CHIEF

BOB HAS ANOTHER BILL COMING FROM MILLER BROTHERS - \$275 TO REPLACE A TIRE WITH A NAIL IN IT.

TRICK OR TREAT WILL BE OCTOBER 26, 2023 FROM 6-8PM. ALSO, THERE WILL BE A TRUNK OR TREAT AT PERRY SCHOOLS FROM 5-7PM. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS ALSO INVITED TO ROUSCULP CHURCH TRUNK OR TREAT. BOB HASN'T HEARD FROM AIRPORT YET. THEY GENERALLY DO NICE EVENT WITH APPROXIMATELY 1000 KIDS. RADER STATED THAT HE HAD HEARD FROM THE AIRPORT. THEY ARE HAVING THEIR EVENT AND ARE EXPECTING UP TO 2500 KIDS.

BOB SAID MIKE FROM M & D COMPUTERS IS COMING TO WORK ON THEIR COMPUTERS. IF ANYONE NEEDS COMPUTER WORK DONE, LET BOB KNOW.

BOB DID FIRST LOCK DOWN TRAINING WITH THE SCHOOLS. THE 2ND TRAINING WILL BE MONDAY, AT 11 AM.

GREG KESSEN ASKED IF ALL COMPUTERS ARE SQUARED AWAY AND WORKING. BOB SAID YES. THEY JUST HAVE ONE MORE OLD COMPUTER TO TURN IN.

GREG KESSEN SAID WE NEED A SPEED REPORT FOR ANY ROAD WE WANT TO LOWER SPEED LIMIT ON PER HIS CONVERSATION WITH ERIC PFENNING AT ODOT. GREG SHARED WITH ERIC THAT PEOPLE ARE RUNNING 71 MPH ON AMHERST. ERIC SUGGESTED WE DO MORE MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT. BOB GOT A FLYER IN THE MAIL FOR SPEED MONITOR SIGNS THAT YOU CAN STICK ON A POLE. THEY ARE SOLAR POWERED AND COST \$3500.

GREG KESSEN SAID THAT HE SPOKE TO KAYLA ABOUT NOISE RESOLUTION. THERE ARE THINGS KAYLA THOUGHT WE NEEDED MORE OF IN OUR ORDINANCE. GREG ASKED BOB TO LOOK AT IT AGAIN AND MAKE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR CHANGES.

COREY LEHMAN, ROAD DEPT.

COREY SAID THE ROAD DEPARTMENT INSTALLED CAUTIONARY SPEED SIGNS WE TALKED ABOUT AT LAST MEETING BUT DOESN'T HAVE THE CURVE SIGNS YET. HE DROVE AROUND THE TOWNSHIP AND FOUND 2 OTHER SIGNS MISSING.

COREY AND NICK ARE ATTENDING TRAINING ON OCTOBER 26TH FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL. HE ALSO HAS A MEETING WITH DOMINIC SCHNEIDHORST OF STRAUSS CONSTRUCTION TO LOOK AT A CONTRACT FOR THEIR CAPE SEAL PROGRAM. THEY ARE OUT OF COLUMBUS.

ROAD DEPARTMENT IS FINISHING UP THE DITCH MOWING.

JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR

JOHN MET WITH KAYLA ABOUT THE DENNY PHALEN FIRE. HE SAID IT LOOKS LIKE WE NEED TO RETURN HIS INSURANCE PROCEEDS. HOWEVER, FIRST HIS ATTORNEY WILL SUBMIT A PLAN TO KAYLA. THEN WE WILL LOOK AT RELEASING FUNDS.

JOHN ALSO HAD INFORMATION REGARDING THE FIRE ON ST JOHNS ROAD. THE PROPERTY OWNER APPROACHED HIM ABOUT LIVING IN A CAMPER ON THE PROPERTY WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR WASTE REMOVAL FOR 6 MONTHS WHILE REBUILDING. THE PROPERTY ADDRESS IS 6336 ST JOHNS ROAD.

JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE REQUEST FROM PROPERTY OWNER FOR 6 MONTHS TEMPORARY HOUSING IN A CAMPER ONSITE AT 6336 ST. JOHNS RD., LIMA, OHIO WHILE REBUILDING AS LONG AS THERE ARE PROPER UTILITY HOOK-UPS, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

JOHN SAID MEGAN FROM HEALTH DEPT CALLED. SHE HAD EVERYTHING HE SPOKE TO HER ABOUT REGARDING THE COMPSTON PROPERTY AT 1909 ST. JOHNS ROAD MIXED UP. MR. COMPSTON SAID THEY ARE TAKING SHOWERS AT A TRUCK STOP ON BREESE ROAD. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS AWARE THERE HAS BEEN NO WATER THERE FOR LAST 2 YEARS. MEGAN ALSO WENT BY 15TH STREET AND IS SENDING A LETTER TO THEM.

JOHN SUBMITTED 3 BUILDINGS TO THE LAND BANK TO CONSIDER FOR TEAR DOWN, 2 ON 12TH STREET AND ONE ON STATE ROUTE 65 THAT IS OWNED BY CROWN EQUIPMENT. JOHN ALSO RESEARCHED BARNDOMINIUMS AND FOUND THAT THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON BUILDING THEM AS LONG AS THEY MEET SQUARE FOOTAGE AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF

KEVIN INTRODUCED NICK MYERS, WHO IS A B SHIFT FULL TIME FIREFIGHTER, RADER BROUGHT NICK SO HE COULD MEET THE TOWNSHIP GOVERNING BODY AND SEE HOW THE MEETINGS WORK.

RADER SAID LAST WEEK WAS EXTREMELY BUSY. RADER THANKED ALL OF THE FIRE DEPT MEMBERS FOR THEIR HARD WORK

KEVIN CONDUCTED INTERVIEWS FOR E SHIFT AND WOULD LIKE TO HIRE ETHAN HULL AS FULL TIME LEVEL 2 PARAMEDIC. GREG ASKED HOW THAT WORKS FOR SENIORITY. IS HE A NEW HIRE WITH NEW HIRE DATE? KEVIN RADER IS LOOKING INTO IT. HULL IS GOING FROM PART TIME BACK TO FULL TIME AND WILL START AT NORMAL APPLICABLE RATE.

JACK NEAL MADE MOTION TO HIRE ETHAN HULL AS FULL TIME LEVEL 2 PARAMEDIC/ FIREFIGHTER AS OF 10/17/23 AT \$18.25 PER HOUR, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

RADER STATED THAT AUSTIN GREER IS RESIGNING AS OF 10/31/23. RADER READ HIS RESIGNATION LETTER.

JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF AUSTIN GREER EFFECTIVE 10/31/23, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

KORTNI POMAVILLE WAS BROUGHT ON AS FULL TIME PARAMEDIC. THERE IS A LEVEL 1 FIREFIGHTER CLASS THAT RUNS 12/19/23 THRU 3/16/24 AT A COST OF \$1500 FOR TUITION \$100 APPLICATION FEE., L TEST DATE WILL BE IN APRIL. RADER WOULD LIKE TO SEND KORTNI. HE STATED THAT THE \$1500 TUITION WOULD MOST LIKELY BE RETURNED TO US THROUGH A GRANT.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE \$1600 FOR KORTNI POMAVILLE TO ATTEND LEVEL 1 FIREFIGHTER TRAINING, 2ND JACK NEAL, ROLL CALL.

MODERN WOODMAN RECOGNIZED PERRY TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND SERVICE TO COMMUNITY. PERRY TOWNSHIP WAS NOMINATED FOR THIS RECOGNITION. ALONG WITH THE RECOGNITION, MODERN WOODMAN WILL MAKE A DONATION TO THE CHARITY OF PERRY TOWNSHIP FIRE'S CHOICE. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT CHOSE TO DONATE TO ALLEN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

RADER NOTED THAT THE BAY HEATER SWITCHES WERE UPDATED. THAT AND THE FACT THAT THE OUTSIDE LIGHTING TIMERS WERE FIXED SHOULD HELP WITH SAVINGS ON POWER BILL

RADER STATED THAT SINCE 2004 IT COSTS \$5000 (LESS FUEL) ANNUALLY TO OPERATE E-1, #1404. RADER TALKED TO BRIAN AT MILLER BROTHERS. BRIAN WILL PULL THE SERIAL NUMBER TO VERIFY BUT HE IS THINKING IT WILL COST \$25,000 TO REVAMP. RADER REACHED OUT TO STRYKER TO SEE IF THEY CAN ESTIMATE HOW LONG THEY THINK THIS FIRE ENGINE WILL LAST. THE A/C DOESN'T WORK, THERE ARE PROBLEMS WITH THE ELECTRICAL AND VARIOUS OTHER ISSUES. COX ASKED IF IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO PUT IN NEW ENGINE FOR RESALE. PERRY TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT ESCORTED THE GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TEAM BACK TO SCHOOL AFTER THEY WON THE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP. RADER ASKED KAYLA ABOUT TAX ABATEMENTS AND STATED HE IS ALSO WORKING WITH SANDY TO SEE WHERE WE CAN FIND MONEY IN THE BUDGET TO ORDER SOME EQUIPMENT THIS YEAR AND MORE NEXT YEAR.

TRUSTEES

KEVIN COX SAID DAVID LOUTH IS RETIRING FROM ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE AFTER 29 YEARS. HE IS GOING TO WORK AS ASSISTANT CITY ENGINEER FOR LIMA, OHIO.

GREG KESSEN RECEIVED LETTER STATING ALLEN COUNTY FALL HEALTH DEPT MEETING WILL BE ON 10/25/23 AT 7PM. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT BUDGET INCREASES TO ALL THE TOWNSHIPS.

JACK NEAL STATED FIRE DEPT HAD 985 RUNS SO FAR THIS YEAR.

GREG RECEIVED LETTER FROM FRANK LAROSE DIRECTING VOTERS TO WEBSITE TO GET VOTER INFORMATION.

AEDG HAS BEEN TALKING TO TRUSTEES ABOUT RE-ZONING 65 & GREELY CHAPEL UP TO BREESE RD. THEY ARE PROPOSING DOING A LOT OF RE-ZONING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

GREG KESSEN CALLED FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR COMPENSATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

JACK NEAL MADE MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS COMPENSATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES ALONG WITH LARRY SIDENER AT 8:35PM, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

JACK NEAL MADE MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

ACTION TAKEN. ANNUAL WAGE INCREASE FOR NICK ADAM - 75 CENTS PER HOUR, COREY LEHMAN- 85 CENTS PER HOUR.

JACK NEAL MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:51 PM, 2ND GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL.