# **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

# MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING HELD MAY 21, 2024

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

# CHRISTINA STOMBAUGH, FISCAL OFFICER -

CHRIS HANDED PAPERWORK TO DEPARTMENT HEADS ABOUT OPERS LIFE INSURANCE THAT IS AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES.

CHRIS REMINDED EVERYONE WE NEED TO START THINKING ABOUT THE BUDGET FOR 2025.

# **GUESTS**:

**CINDY LEIS –** FROM AEDG HAS BEEN WORKING ON DEVELOPING THE PROJECTED SITE BETWEEN BREESE AND HUME ROAD THAT IS ALREADY ZONED I-2. IT HAS UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS FOR SOME TYPES OF DEVELOPMENT WITH DIRECT ACCESS TO I-75 AND ALSO TO A STATE ROUTE. IT HAS AMPLE WATER, SEWER, AND ELECTRICAL CAPABILITIES. WE NOW HAVE A SUITABLE PROJECT IN FRONT OF US. ON APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2024 AT THE TRUSTEE MEETING JILL HAGEMAN, AN ATTORNEY FOR A FORTUNE 500 COMPANY, STATED THEY ARE INTERESTED IN THE SITE AND REVEALED THAT IT IS A DATA CENTER. SHE SHARED MANY OF THE BENEFITS TO THE TOWNSHIP AND OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE STRESSED THE BENEFITS A DATA CENTER WOULD HAVE ON OUR AREA, SUCH AS THE LOW IMPACT IT WILL HAVE RELATING TO TRAFFIC ONCE THE DATA CENTER IS OPEN. THERE WOULDN'T BE DAILY DELIVERIES LIKE OTHER BUSINESSES MAY HAVE. THERE MAY BE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT NEEDS UPDATED, WHICH IS MOSTLY PAID FOR BY THE COMPANY. THEY ARE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF GOOD PAYING FAMILY JOBS DURING THE CONSTRUCTION TIME AND ONCE IT IS OPERATIONAL. IT WILL ALSO INCREASE OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. THE BIGGEST BENEFIT WOULD BE FROM LOCAL TAX REVENUE BENEFITING OUR TOWNSHIP AND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WITH LONG TERM CAPITAL INVESTMENT, WITH A PHASE BUILDING APPROACH OVER TIME. THE TAX VALUE ON THE PROPERTIES ARE CURRENTLY VERY LOW AND WOULD GREATLY INCREASE WITH THIS BUSINESS. THE DUE DILIGENCE IS NEARLY COMPLETE ON THE SITE. THE COMPANY IS REQUESTING THE TOWNSHIP TO BEGIN MODIFYING THE ZONING REGULATIONS TO PERMIT A DATA CENTER. CINDY THANKED THE TRUSTEES FOR THEIR TIME AND SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. THE COMPANY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE TOWNSHIP IS READY TO CONSIDER MAKING SUCH CHANGES TO ZONING AS THERE ARE MANY SITES THAT THEY ARE CONSIDERING. IT'S A VERY COMPETITIVE ATMOSPHERE RIGHT NOW FOR DATA CENTERS. THEY ARE VERY INTERESTED IN US AND THEY WANT TO KNOW IF THERE IS INTEREST FROM US.

**DAVE STRATTON** – THIS IS A PROCESS AND WE ARE IN THE FIRST STEPS RIGHT NOW. THEY ARE REQUESTING A MODIFICATION TO ZONING IN I-2 TO PERMIT A DATA CENTER. IT IS NOT GIVING A GREEN LIGHT FOR THIS COMPANY; IT IS JUST A MODIFICATION. THEY BELIEVE IT WILL BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO PERRY TOWNSHIP AND CERTAINLY PERRY SCHOOLS WITH SIGNIFICANT TAX FUNDING.

KAYLA ROGERS - KAYLA SPOKE WITH THE COMPANY'S ATTORNEY AND STATED THAT THEY ARE STILL DOING THEIR DUE DILIGENCE AND DON'T HAVE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION TO PASS ONTO THE TOWNSHIP AT THIS TIME. THEY ARE REQUESTING A ZONING AMENDMENT ON I-2 PARCELS TO PERMIT DATA CENTERS. SHE WOULD LIKE TO GO OVER THE WAYS TO DO A ZONING AMENDMENT. THE THREE WAYS A ZONING AMENDMENT CAN HAPPEN IS BY THE LANDOWNER, THE ZONING COMMISSION OR THE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES. THE COMPANY INTERESTED IN THE LOCATION IS NOT GOING TO REQUEST A ZONING CHANGE. SHE DOESN'T BELIEVE THE LANDOWNERS ARE ABLE TO REQUEST BECAUSE IT WOULD BE A CHANGE FOR THE ENTIRE TOWNSHIP NOT JUST A SINGLE PARCEL. THE TRUSTEES OR ZONING COMMISSION ARE THE ONLY ONES TO MAKE THE ZONING CHANGES. WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY HAD INTEREST FOR A SOLAR FARM COMPANY TO COME INTO THE TOWNSHIP SO THEY HAD MANY OF THE SAME CONVERSATIONS AT THAT TIME ABOUT ZONING. STARTING THE ZONING AMENDMENT PROCESS DOESN'T MEAN THAT THE LAND WILL BE REZONED. IT WOULD FIRST GO TO THE ZONING COMMISSION, REGIONAL PLANNING, THEN BACK TO THE ZONING COMMISSION FOR A HEARING WITH PUBLIC COMMENTS. THE ZONING COMMISSION WOULD THEN MAKE THEIR RECOMMENDATION TO THE TRUSTEES. THE TRUSTEES WOULD THEN HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING AND THE SAME PROCESS WOULD HAPPEN AGAIN. STARTING THE PROCESS ALSO DOESN'T SAY THAT WE ARE IN FAVOR OF THE DATA CENTER COMING IN. LARRY SIDENER ASKED IF THERE IS ANYTHING ON PAPER ABOUT THE FUNDS THAT

THIS WOULD GENERATE FOR OUR TOWNSHIP. CINDY LEIS SHARED OTHER FIGURES FROM WOOD COUNTY THAT HAS DATA CENTERS FROM THE COUNTY AUDITORS' OFFICE. SHE ASKED FOR MARKET VALUE ON DATA CENTERS; THAT IS CURRENTLY BEING WORKED ON. ONE BUILDING WOULD HAVE A MARKET VALUE OF \$50 – \$75 MILLION AND WOULD HAVE AN ESTIMATED TAX FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP OF \$125,000 ANNUALLY AND ALMOST \$400,000 FOR PERRY SCHOOLS PER BUILDING AND PER YEAR. THE COMPANY THAT IS BEING LOOKED AT WILL HAVE MULTIPLE BUILDINGS IN MULTIPLE STAGES. MOST HAVE A 6 BUILDING PROJECT WHICH WOULD HAVE AN ESTIMATED TAX OF OVER \$2.4 MILLION FOR THE SCHOOL AND ABOUT \$750,000 FOR THE TOWNSHIP. GREG KESSEN STATED THAT AMOUNT WOULD BE MINUS ANY TAX ABATEMENTS. THERE HAVEN'T BEEN ANY NEGOTIATIONS YET FOR ABATEMENTS. CINDY STATED THAT WITH EVEN A 50% ABATEMENT THE TOWNSHIP AND SCHOOL WOULD STILL HAVE MORE TAX REVENUE THAN WE HAVE NOW FOR THOSE PARCELS.

REX HUFFMAN - HE IS A LAWYER THAT REPRESENTED ALLEN COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY. HE IS FROM BOWLING GREEN IN WOOD COUNTY. HE HAS BEEN WORKING ON A SIMILAR PROJECT TO WHAT WE ARE DOING NOW FOR ALMOST ONE YEAR. THEY HAD TO CHANGE THE ZONING REGULATIONS IN MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP. THE COMPANY MAY NOT WANT TO SPEND ANY MORE MONEY THAN THEY ALREADY HAVE ON THEIR DUE DILIGENCE ON THIS SITE WITHOUT THE PROCESS TO BEGIN THE ZONING AMENDMENTS. MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP IS VERY SIMILAR TO PERRY TOWNSHIP AND THEY HAD TO CHANGE THEIR ZONING REGULATIONS TO GET THE PROCESS STARTED. THE TOWNSHIP WILL GET MORE REVENUE FROM A DATA CENTER THAN THEY ARE CURRENTLY GETTING OR WOULD GET WITH A SIMILAR SIZE WAREHOUSE OR MANUFACTURING CENTER. DATA CENTERS ARE GREAT BECAUSE THERE ISN'T A LOT OF DEMAND ON TRAFFIC AFTER THE CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED. IN WOOD COUNTY THE DECISION TO MOVE FORWARD WAS MADE IN JUNE OR JULY OF 2023 AND SINCE THEN HE HAS HAD WEEKLY MEETINGS WITH THEM. THE LAW FIRM THAT AEDG IS WORKING WITH IS THE SAME ONE THAT THEY ARE WORKING WITH IN WOOD COUNTY AND THEY HAVE BEEN VERY HELPFUL. IF THEY SAY THEY ARE GOING TO DO SOMETHING THEY DO IT. HE HAS HAD A VERY GOOD EXPERIENCE WITH THE LAW FIRM. REX RECOMMENDED WE START OFF THE PROCESS. DAVE STRATTON STATED THAT THIS COMPANY IS COURTING US. MAYBE WE SHOULD BE COURTING THEM BECAUSE IF WE DON'T TAKE THIS FIRST STEP THEN THEY MAY MOVE ON. THEY HAVE ALREADY INVESTED A SIGNIFICIENT AMOUNT OF MONEY. DAVE STRESSED THAT IF WE SAY NO TO A ZONING MODIFICATION, WE MAY BE SAYING NO TO A GENERATIONAL PROJECT. LARRY SIDENER STATED THAT THEY STILL HAVE A LOT OF CONCERNS THAT THE PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES AREN'T BEING INVITED TO ALL MEETINGS THAT PERTAIN TO THIS PROJECT. KAYLA AGREES THAT THE TRUSTEES SHOULD HAVE A PART IN ALL MEETINGS. KEVIN COX STATED THE BREESE, HUME ROAD OR GREELEY CHAPEL ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC OR HEAVY EQUIPMENT. REX HUFFMAN STATED WE ARE NOT IN SITE PLANNING PHASE YET. IN WOOD COUNTY THEY HAVE A LOT OF SMART PEOPLE WORKING ON THAT ASPECT. IF THE PROPERTY GETS REZONED, THEY CAN WORK ON ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY. KAYLA STATED THAT THEY KNOW WHO ALL THE PLAYERS ARE. MOVING FORWARD WE WILL ALL BE IN ON THE PLANNING. LARRY SIDENER STATED THAT THEY ALREADY HAVE AN OPTION ON 358 ACRES WHEN THE BUILDINGS HE LOOKED AT IN NEW ALBANY SAT ON ABOUT 30 ACRES. HE WANTS TO KNOW WHY THEY WANT SO MUCH LAND. CINDY STATED THEY WANTED MORE LAND THAN 350 ACRES AND THE PLAN IS TO BUILD EAST OF THE TRACKS. THERE ARE WETLANDS, HIGH TENSION POWER LINES, PIPELINES AND WOODED AREAS ETC THAT THEY WOULDN'T BUILD ON OR AROUND. CINDY STATED IT WILL BE A SECURED SITE WITH BUFFERS. DAVE STATED THERE IS RAILWAY RIGHT THOUGH THE MIDDLE WHICH CUTS BACK ON THE ACREAGE THAT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO BUILD ON AND THEY WANT TO HAVE GENEROUS SETBACKS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE WOOD COUNTY DEVELOPMENTS HAS 700 ACRES. THEY NEED A LOT OF LAND TO LEVEL THE LAND AND LANDSCAPING WILL BE ON THE OUTER EDGES. DAVE STATED IF THERE IS NO DECISION WE'RE SAYING THAT WE AREN'T INTERESTED. WE ARE AT A CROSSROADS TO SEE IF WE SHOULD CONSIDER CHANGING THE I-2 ZONING AMENDMENTS. KEVIN STATED HE HAS LIVED IN PERRY TOWNSHIP HIS WHOLE LIFE. KEVIN ASKED IF WE WANT A STEEL MILL OR A DATA CENTER? HE WANTS WHAT IS BEST FOR THE TOWNSHIP. KEVIN FEELS THAT A DATA CENTER FITS PERRY TOWNSHIP MORE THAN OTHER PROJECTS. THAT HAVE BEEN OFFERED TO US. GREG KESSEN STATED THAT IF THE COMPANY CAN'T GIVE US TIME TO DECIDE WHAT IS BEST FOR US THAT HE'S WILLING TO ROLL THE DICE. HE IS NOT READY TO MAKE A FINAL DECISION BECAUSE THERE ARE TOO MANY QUESTIONS STILL TO MAKE A ZONING AMENDMENT. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW HOW THE PROCESS STARTED IN WOOD COUNTY. DID THE TRUSTEES HAVE TO START THAT PROCESS OR THE ZONING COMMISSION? IT COULD BE A GOOD THING BUT WE STILL HAVE MORE QUESTIONS. GREG STATED THAT AMENDMENTS TO ZONING RESOLUTIONS ARE DONE IN 3 WAYS: BY THE TRUSTEES, ZONING COMMISSION OR THE LANDOWNERS. KAYLA STATED THAT THE OWNERS HAVE NO STANDING TO START A ZONING AMENDMENT. ONCE JOHN BREWSTER STARTS THAT PROCESS, HE TAKES IT TO THE ZONING COMMISSION ALONG WITH REGIONAL PLANNING AND THERE ARE 2 PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT HAVE TO HAPPEN. IT GIVES THE RESIDENTS A CHANCE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE IMPACT. LARRY IS NOT CALLING FOR A VOTE TONIGHT. KAYLA THEN ASKED IF CINDY LEIS TAKES THIS TO THE ZONING COMMISSION TO START THE PROCESS WOULD THE TRUSTEES BE OKAY WITH THAT. DAVE STRATTON THANKED US FOR OUR TIME. GREG KESSEN THANKED THE PRESENTERS AND

REMINDED EVERYONE OF THE TIME AND THAT WE SHOULD MOVE ON. LARRY SIDENER LET THE VISITORS KNOW THAT THE PRESENTERS WOULD NOT BE ANSWERING ANY QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME BUT THEY ARE FREE TO VOICE AN OPINION ON ANYTHING THEY HEARD. A RESIDENT STATED THAT WE MUST NOT CARE WHAT THEY THINK AND LARRY STATED THAT HE HAS BEEN STUDYING THE OHIO TRUSTEES SOURCEBOOK ON HOW TO RUN A MEETING AND HE SAID SPECIAL GUESTS ARE ABLE TO REQUEST TO HAVE NO "QUESTION AND ANSWER" TIME.

RICH AND MONICA PATTON - THEY HAD A HOUSE FIRE AT 6336 ST JOHNS RD AND REQUESTED TO HAVE A MOBILE HOME BUT WERE ONLY ALLOWED TO HAVE A CAMPER ALL WINTER WHICH THEY FEEL IS HORRIBLE BECAUSE OF WEATHER SUCH AS COLD, WINDY, STORMS. THEY WERE ALSO TOLD THEY COULD ONLY HAVE THE CAMPER FOR 6 MONTHS. MOST HOME BUILDERS DON'T BUILD HOMES IN THE DEAD OF WINTER FOR A REASON. THE FIRE HAPPENED IN OCTOBER AND THEY DIDN'T GET PAID BY INSURANCE UNTIL JANUARY. NOW THEY HAVE THE INSURANCE AND THEY WANT TO BUILD BUT THEY ARE OUT OF TIME. THEY WANTED A PERMIT BUT THE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID IT WOULD TAKE TIME TO SCHEDULE A VISIT TO THEIR PROPERTY TO INSPECT THEIR SEPTIC. THEY ADVISED THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT THE TYPE OF SEPTIC THEY HAVE AND WERE TOLD THEY NEED A NEW SEPTIC WHICH WILL COST \$10,000 - \$15,000, WHICH IS NOT WHAT THEY ALLOTTED FOR. SOMEONE FROM PERRY TOWNSHIP TOLD HIM THAT IF THEY WERE BUILDING ON THE EXISTING FOUNDATION, THEY WOULDN'T HAVE TO HAVE THE SEPTIC INSPECTED. THEY CAME TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT BUT THEY ARE CHANGING THE LOCATION OF THE HOUSE 150 FEET FROM THE ROAD TO PREVENT ANOTHER CAR FROM RUNNING INTO THEIR HOUSE. IF HE HAD BEEN IN BED THAT MORNING HE WOULD HAVE BEEN KILLED. NOW THEY'VE BEEN TOLD THAT THEY CAN'T BUILD OFF THE ORIGINAL FOUNDATION. THEY WANT TO BUILD A BARDOMINIUM AND THEY WERE PREPARED TO POUR FOOTERS FOR A FOUNDATION LAST WEEK. THEY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW THEY CAN GET THEIR \$36,000 BACK. HE THEN ASKED THE TRUSTEES WHAT CONSTITUTES A HOUSE. THE PART OF THE HOUSE LEFT WITHOUT DAMAGE IS ABOUT 24 X 24 WITH A BASEMENT. WHICH DOESN'T MEET ZONING REQUIREMENTS. BECAUSE THEIR HOUSE HAS A BASEMENT, THEY WERE TOLD IT WOULD MAKE IT A HOUSE AND THAT PERRY TOWNSHIP WOULD NOT RELEASE THE \$36,000 UNTIL THE REMAINING HOUSE WAS GONE BECAUSE YOU CAN'T HAVE 2 HOUSES ON ONE PROPERTY. THEY WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THE REMAINING STRUCTURE WITH BASEMENT FOR A FALL-OUT SHELTER FOR STORMS OR TORNADOES BECAUSE THEY WANT TO BUILD A BARDOMINIUM ON A SLAB. HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THEY SELL THE PROPERTY WOULD HE GET THE INSURANCE CHECK BACK THAT PERRY TOWNSHIP IS HOLDING. JOHN BREWSTER STATED THAT IN ORDER FOR THE INSURANCE MONEY TO BE RELEASED THE PROPERTY WOULD HAVE TO BE CLEANED UP. MR. PATTON STATED THAT THE PROPERTY IS ALREADY CLEANED UP AFTER THE ACCIDENT AND FIRE. GREG KESSEN STATED THAT THE TOWNSHIP, PER LAW, HOLDS INSURANCE MONEY TO GUARANTEE THAT THE PROPERTY GETS CLEANED UP AND NOT ABANDONED. THE HOMEOWNER STATED THAT HE HAS LIVED IN PERRY TOWNSHIP FOR 17 YEARS AND NOW HE IS READY TO LEAVE. JOHN BREWSTER STATED THAT IF THE HOMEOWNER LEAVES THE HOUSE AS IS, IT DOES NOT MEET THE ZONING REQUIREMENTS NEEDED TO RELEASE THE MONEY. THEY STATED THAT THE HOUSE IS NOT LIVABLE BECAUSE IT ONLY HAS A LIVING ROOM, BATHROOM, BASEMENT, AND 2-CAR GARAGE. THERE ARE NO BEDROOMS OR KITCHEN. MR. PATTON STATED THAT HE HAS 5 PEOPLE LINED UP TO BUY THE PROPERTY RIGHT NOW. HE ASKED AGAIN HOW HE GETS BACK THE \$36,000 IF HE SELLS THE PROPERTY. JOHN BREWSTER ADVISED THAT IF THEY WANT TO SELL TO HAVE THE NEW BUYER COME IN AND DISCUSS WHAT THEIR PLANS ARE. GREG KESSEN AND JOHN BREWSTER WILL SET UP A TIME TO MEET THE OWNER AT THEIR PROPERTY. HE SAID HE IS BIDDING ON ANOTHER HOUSE IN A DIFFERENT TOWNSHIP AND A DIFFERENT COUNTY BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN IN A CAMPER FOR 6 MONTHS. HE ALSO STATED THAT HIS BUILDER TOLD HIM HE WOULDN'T NEED A PERMIT BECAUSE HE LIVES IN A TOWNSHIP.

VIVIAN WILSON – SHE THANKED OUR SPEAKERS FOR STAYING TO HEAR HER COMMENTS. SHE IS SITTING HERE TAKING NOTES. SHE HAS WORKED 25 YEARS IN CORRECTIONS AND HAS MADE HARD DECISIONS FOR EVERYONE. WE ARE IN THE SAME SITUATION NOW. SHE HAS ONLY LIVED IN PERRY TOWNSHIP SINCE 2018 WHEN HER MOTHER GOT SICK WITH DEMENTIA AND SHE HAS SINCE PASSED AWAY. SHE LIVES ON BREESE ROAD WHERE MIKE REYNOLDS SOLD THEIR PROPERTY AND SHE DOESN'T WANT TO LOOK AT THE DATA CENTER. SHE HAS LIVED IN TOWN HER WHOLE LIFE AND LOOKED FORWARD TO MOVING TO A COUNTRY SETTING. SHE WOULD LIKE EVERYONE TO RESEARCH DATA CENTERS IN KANSAS OR DATA CENTERS IN THE USA. SHE DOESN'T HAVE KIDS IN SCHOOL SO SHE SEES NO BENEFIT TO HER. SHE SPOKE ABOUT ALL THE DATA CENTERS ACROSS THE STATES INCLUDING IN OHIO. SHE STATED THAT SHE WILL NOT CONTINUE TO LIVE THERE IF A DATA CENTER COMES IN.

# JASON STOMBAUGH

**DAVE SHEPHERD** – HE PRESENTED A LIST OF 7 ADDRESSES BETWEEN GREELEY CHAPEL AND BOWMAN ROAD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET THAT NEEDS CLEANED UP FROM JUNK CAMPERS AND VEHICLES, SOME PROPERTIES NEED MOWED, AND SOME HAVE EXCESS TRASH. HE'S SICK OF LOOKING AT IT. JOHN BREWSTER WILL LOOK INTO THEM AND SOME HAVE ALREADY BEEN NOTIFIED OR WILL BE.

NANCY JONES – SHE HAS LIVED AT 5000 GREELEY CHAPEL FOR 25 YEARS AND HADN'T HEARD ABOUT THIS DATA CENTER UNTIL RECENTLY. DATA CENTERS CAN BE NOISY. THE NOISE MAY TRAVEL UP TO 2 MILES. SHE IS ALSO CONCERNED WITH HEAVY EQUIPMENT ON BREESE, HUME, AND GREELY CHAPEL. WHEN THEY WERE WORKING ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET BRIDGE, SHE HAD A LOT OF SEMIS ON GREELY AND WATCHED THEM TRY TO TURN ON TIGHT ROADS AND TAKE OUT TELEPHONE POLES THAT KNOCKED OUT AREA POWER. SHE'S ASKING THE TRUSTEES TO PLEASE CONSIDER TRAFFIC. IF THE TRUSTEES START THE PROCESS AT WHAT POINT IS IT TOO LATE TO GET OUT?

# **KELLY SCHOOLER-**

**FRANK CLEMENTZ** – HE STATED THAT THE MEETING MINUTES NEED TO BE MORE AVAILABLE. CHRIS STATED THAT SHE WILL PUT MORE COPIES OUT FOR THE RESIDENTS TO LOOK OVER AND IF THEY ARE GONE TO LET HER KNOW AND SHE WILL PRINT MORE. CHRIS ALSO STATED THAT THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES ARE POSTED ONLINE AFTER THEY ARE APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING. HE ALSO THAT THEY AREN'T USING THE CURRENT I-1 AND I-2. HE SUGGESTED THAT IF MORE PROPERTY GETS REZONED THAT THEY MAY NOT DO ANYTHING WITH THE LAND AND IT JUST SITS THERE VACANT.

#### JIM CLEMENTZ JEFF CAROLUS

**BRANDON CORNWELL** – HE SUGGESTED TO LET RESIDENTS VOTE ON THE DATA CENTER. GREG STATED THERE WOULD BE LEGAL STEPS TO DO THAT. KAYLA STATED THERE WILL BE AN ABILITY FOR THAT AT THE END.

# PAUL BASINGER

# **DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**JOHN ITEN, INTERIM POLICE CHIEF** – CHRIS GAVE TRUSTEES A PURCHASE REQUEST FOR MARCS RADIOS FOR \$3411.00 THAT HE SPOKE ABOUT AT THE LAST MEETING.

**COREY LEHMAN, ROAD SUPERVISOR** – COREY WAS ABSENT SO LARRY SIDENER STATED THAT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING PARKING LOT WILL BE SEALED AND BLACKTOPPED ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY THIS WEEK.

JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR – THERE WERE PEOPLE LIVING IN CAMPERS BEHIND THE CAR WASH ON STATE ROUTE 117. HE TALKED TO THEM YESTERDAY AND ONE LEFT AND THE OTHER CAMPER HAS BEEN ABANDONED. JOHN IS TRYING TO FIND OUT WHO OWNS THE PROPERTY SO HE CAN POTENTIALLY HAVE THE ABANDONED CAMPER TOWED. KEVIN COX GAVE JOHN THE PHONE NUMBER OF THE OWNER OF THE CAR WASH.

THERE IS A NEW HOUSE GOING UP AT 4315 MCPHERON RD. THE EXISTING HOUSE WILL BE TORN DOWN ONCE THE NEW ONE IS UP PER CONTRACT.

GREG STATED THAT THE ZONING BOARD WILL MEET TO GO THROUGH THE WHOLE ZONING REGULATIONS BOOK FROM THE BEGINNING. JOHN STATED THAT A POND CAN ONLY TAKE UP 30 PERCENT OF A PROPERTY.

**KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF –** RADER GAVE CHRIS AN UPDATED ROSTER OF ALL FULL TIME AND PART TIME EMPLOYEES.

ABOUT 85% OF THE FIRE HYDRANTS HAVE BEEN CHECKED. OUT OF 259 HYDRANTS, 3 ARE OUT OF SERVICE AND 7 NEED REPAIRS.

1402 TRUCK IS BEING REPAIRED AND WILL BE OUT OF SERVICE 2 – 3 DAYS. 1404 IS GETTING SOME WARRANTY WORK DONE. THEY WENT WITH A LOW FLOW HOSE ON THE NEW TRUCK. THEY JUST TESTED IT AND THEY CAN GET 280 GALLONS MINUTE. PRIOR TO SWITCHING THEY WERE GETTING 75 GALLONS PER MINUTE. NEW TEST PERFORMED AND PSI AND GPM ARE SET NOW TO GET THE 280 GALLONS PER MINUTE FOR HARD LINES.

THE DISASTER RELIEF GRANT THAT RADER APPLIED FOR WAS APPROVED FOR \$1,000 FOR PAYROLL FUNDS. THEY REDUCED IT BY 25%.

THE SENIOR CLAP OUT AT PERRY HIGH SCHOOL IS AT 9:45 AM ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 22ND. RADER THEN ASKED ABOUT THE NEW HANDBOOK AND GREG STATED THAT THE DRAFT IS IN EMAIL FORM AND READY.

RADER REQUESTED WE SET A TENTATIVE DATE FOR THE BUDGET MEETING WHICH WAS SET FOR JUNE 18<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:30 PM.

### **TRUSTEES:**

KEVIN COX STATED THAT THE OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION ICE CREAM SOCIAL IS ON JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>. ANYONE THAT IS A MEMBER IS WELCOME TO COME. ON FRIDAY KEVIN WILL NOT BE HERE AS HIS WIFE IS HAVING SURGERY.

LARRY STARTED A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE FRIDAY WORKSHOPS AND KEVIN COX STATED THAT THEY HAVE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO EACH OTHER AND THAT THEY SHOULD STRUCTURE THE WORKSHOP SO THAT IT MEETS ALL THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS. LARRY STATED THAT THAT WOULD BE 6 MEETINGS A MONTH. THE MEETING HAS ALREADY BEEN ADVERTISED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR BUT SOMEONE WOULD BE REQUIRED TO TAKE AND POST NOTES.

GREG KESSEN STATED THAT HE ORDERED DUMPSTERS FROM ALLEN COUNTY RECYCLERS FOR CLEAN UP DAY WHICH WILL BE ON JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> FROM 9 AM – 1 PM IN THREE LOCATIONS. DUMPSTERS WILL BE PLACED AT 9<sup>TH</sup> AND CHARLETON, 15<sup>TH</sup> AND REESE AND AT THE TOWNSHIP ROAD DEPARTMENT.

# **MOTIONS:**

GREG MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN KESSEN, ROLLCALL.

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$73,000.59, 2<sup>№</sup> GREG KESSEN, ROLLCALL.

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE APRIL BANK RECONCILIATION FOR 2024, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT TO UPDATED CREDIT CARD POLICY, KEVIN COX 2<sup>ND</sup>, ROLL CALL

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO HAVE A BUDGET MEETING ON JUNE 18<sup>™</sup> AT 6:30 PM WHICH CHRISTINA WILL NEED TO PUBLICIZE, KEVIN COX 2<sup>№D</sup>, ROLL CALL

LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO RESCIND THE FRIDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS, GREG KESSEN 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER YES, KEVIN COX NO, GREG KESSEN YES, MOTION PASSED

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE REQUEST FOR THE MARCS RADIOS FROM COMMERCIAL COMMUNICATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,411 KEVIN COX 2<sup>ND</sup>, ROLL CALL

GREG KESSEN MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 9:23 PM, KEVIN COX 2<sup>ND</sup>, ROLLCALL.