

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING
HELD AUGUST 13, 2024

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

CHRISTINA STOMBAUGH, FISCAL OFFICER –

CHRIS STATED THAT THEY HAVE A REQUEST FROM HANSON-NEELY ALLISON FUNERAL AND CREMATION SERVICES IN ADA FOR INDIGENT BURIAL FUNDS OF \$750 FOR PERRY SPRADLIN, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 20, 2024 AT HIS RESIDENCE ON MUSKET TRAIL. HIS FIANCE' NOR HIS FAMILY HAVE THE FINANCIAL MEANS TO PAY FOR FINAL EXPENSES.

CHRIS THEN PRESENTED AN OPIOID SETTLEMENT EMAIL TO THE BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION. TRUSTEE COX ASKED TO TABLE IT FOR NOW TO FOLLOW UP WITH COMMISSIONER BETH SEIBERT AND ATTORNEY KAYLA CAMPBELL FOR ADVICE.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

JOHN ITEN, POLICE CHIEF – CRYSLER HAS RELEASED THE PART FOR THE CRUISER THAT HAS BEEN DOWN SINCE NOVEMBER SO IT WILL BE GETTING WORKED ON TOMORROW. HE IS LOOKING INTO BIDS FOR A CHEVY TAHOE VERSUS A DODGE DURANGO. THEY ARE \$8,000 TO \$10,000 CHEAPER. CHIEF ITEN SUBMITTED A REIMBURSEMENT CHECK FOR MANDATORY TRAINING. HE AND TRUSTEE SIDENER DEMOED A BODY CAMERA WHICH ARE \$500 PER PIECE. HE WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE ONE NOW AND IS TRYING TO GET DONATIONS FOR OTHERS. THEY HAVE BEEN DOING SPRING CLEANING ON THE POLICE BUILDING BY POWER WASHING AND SOME MAINTENANCE. HE IS WORKING ON QUOTES FOR DIGITAL SPEED CAMERA WHICH WILL BE ABOUT \$3,500. TRUSTEE COX ASKED CHIEF ITEN IF IT IS THE KIND ON WHEELS BUT HE SAID THAT THEY ARE MOUNTED TO A STATIONARY POST. THE ONES THAT ARE ON WHEELS COST AROUND \$10,000. GREG KESSEN ASKED ABOUT TRAINING WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND CHIEF ITEN ANSWERED THAT THE TRAINING IS ONLINE. IF THE OFFICERS ARE FULL TIME AT ANOTHER DEPARTMENT THE TRAINING IS DONE THROUGH THAT OFFICE AND HE SHARED THAT TOBY WATSON HAS BEEN HIRED FULL TIME BY ADA. LARRY STATED THAT WE SHOULD PAINT THE INSIDE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, WE NEED TO GET QUOTES FROM GERALD LEHMAN. LARRY THEN STATED THE GARAGE DOOR MOTOR AND OPENERS NEED REPLACED. THEY WILL GET ESTIMATES. COREY WILL GET ESTIMATES ON THE FLOOR GRATES THAT NEED REPLACED IN THE POLICE BUILDING.

COREY LEHMAN, ROAD SUPERVISOR – COREY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE F550 THAT WAS GETTING OUTFITTED AT KALIDA. THEY WILL BE RECEIVING IT MID SEPTEMBER. HE ASKED ABOUT AN UPDATE ON THE PURCHASE REQUEST FOR NEW TRUCK FOR APPROXIMATELY \$220,000. THE PLAN IS TO USE THE ARPA FUNDS OF AROUND \$125,000 THAT IS LEFT AND MAKE A PLAN TO PAY THE REMAINING AMOUNT OF APPROXIMATELY \$95,000. GREG STATED THAT IT WOULD REPLACE A 2000 STERLING THAT IS HARD TO GET PARTS FOR. TABLE FOR NOW BECAUSE THERE MAY BE A PRIOR MOTION SPOKEN FOR ARPA FUNDS. CHRIS AND GREG WILL RESEARCH MINUTES. ON OSMAN AND CREPS THEY DUG UP 12" TILE YESTERDAY. THEY DUG 20 FOOT OUT OF THE RIGHT OF WAY AND THE DRAIN IS PLUGGED WHICH IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LAND OWNER TO TAKE CARE OF TO THE RIVER. THEY ARE LOOKING INTO OPTIONS FOR WATERSHED.

JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR – JOHN GAVE THE BOARD PAPERWORK FOR A HOUSE TO BE DEMOLISHED ON LENOX.

BRAD BUTTERFIELD RESIGNED FROM THE ZONING BOARD EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. HE HAS BEEN ON THE BOARD IN 1996. CHAIRMAN SIDENER READ LETTER (LETTER ATTACHED). THE BOARD THANKED BRAD FOR HIS SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE TOWNSHIP.

JOHN BREWSTER GAVE THE BOARD A COPY OF THE MEETING MINUTES FROM THE ZONING MEETING HELD ON 8/12/2024 AND REGIONAL PLANNING RECOMMENDATION TO ADD DATA CENTERS TO I-1 RESOLUTIONS FROM 7/18/2024. THE BOARD HAS 30 DAYS TO HAVE A PUBLIC MEETING. JOHN WILL SEND OUT LETTERS TO AFFECTED RESIDENTS OF PERRY TOWNSHIP ALERTING THEM OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 5TH AT 6PM.

JOHN BREWSTER THEN ANNOUNCED A ZONING BOARD MEETING ON AUGUST 28TH AT 6PM TO DISCUSS THE REZONING REQUEST OF THE CIRA AND HENDERSON PROPERTIES.

CHRIS WILL POST REQUIRED NOTICES FOR BOTH MEETINGS.

JOHN THEN DISCUSSED AN EMAIL FROM KAYLA ABOUT THE PHALEN PROPERTY. THE BASIC PLAN IS FOR US TO RELEASE \$10,000 OF THE INSURANCE HOLD AND PERMIT HIM 90 DAYS TO COMPLETE CERTAIN THINGS WITH HIS PROPERTY. KAYLA WILL SEND INFORMATION TO PHALEN'S ATTORNEY UPON BOARDS APPROVAL.

JOHN STATED THAT WE ARE DOWN TO 3 ZONING BOARD MEMBERS AND ASKED THE TRUSTEES IF THEY HAVE HAD TIME TO REVIEW APPLICATIONS. WE SHOULD HAVE 5 MEMBERS AND 2 ALTERNATES. WE CURRENTLY HAVE NO ALTERNATES. TRUSTEE COX STATED HE IS READY TO SEAT TWO OF THE APPLICANTS. TRUSTEES SIDENER AND KESSEN WOULD LIKE TO SET A SPECIAL MEETING TO HOPEFULLY GET MORE APPLICANTS AND TO FURTHER DISCUSS THE APPLICATIONS OF THE 3 THAT WE HAVE. LARRY THINKS WE SHOULD HIRE AN ADDITIONAL LAWYER TO HELP WITH ZONING ISSUES. GREG TALKED TO ATTORNEY BLAIN BROCK WHO HAS DONE WORK FOR OTHER TOWNSHIPS. HE SUGGEST THE TRUSTEES SPEAK TO HIM AND SUGGEST OTHERS ALSO. OHIO REVISED CODE PERMITS SEEKING OUTSIDE LEGAL HELP. LARRY WILL TRY TO SCHEDULE POTENTIAL LEGAL HELP TO COME TO THE TRUSTEE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 3RD.

KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF- CHIEF RADER TURNED IN TWO RESIGNATION LETTERS TO CHAIRMAN SIDENER OF FULL-TIME FIRE EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE BEEN HIRED BY ANOTHER TOWNSHIP WITH A FULLTIME FIRE DEPARTMENT. LARRY THEN READ BOTH LETTERS. (LETTERS ATTACHED) TRUSTEE KESSEN ASKED CHIEF RADER "IS THAT WAS THE ONE THAT WENT TO CINCINNATI." CHIEF RADER STATED THAT ETHAN HULL PREVIOUSLY MOVED TO CINCINNATI AND WE REHIRED HIM WHEN HE MOVED BACK TO THE AREA. BOTH EMPLOYEES HAVE HAD CHANGES IN THEIR LIVES RECENTLY THAT MADE THEM CONSIDER OTHER EMPLOYMENT BASED ON THE PAY RATE AND THE FACT THAT THEY DON'T CURRENTLY HAVE MEDICAL BENEFITS. THEY ARE BOTH HAPPY WITH THEIR EMPLOYMENT WITH PERRY TOWNSHIP FIRE AND THEIR CO-WORKERS AND LEADERSHIP. OTHER AREA TOWNSHIPS PAY PART TIME STAFF \$17.10 WHICH IS A HIGHER RATE THAN SOME OF OUR FULL-TIME. WE HAVE 32 MEMBERS ON THE ROSTER NOW. 15 HAVE ADVANCED EMT OR PARAMEDIC CARDS, 5 OF THOSE ARE CURRENT FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES AND 2 HAVE BEEN LONG-TERM EMPLOYEES. BETWEEN THOSE TWO EMPLOYEES THEY HAVE DECLINED EVERY FULLTIME POSITION AT PERRY FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR 3 DECADES. THE OTHER 7 EMPLOYEES HAVE WORKED FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT. WHEN ASKED BY CHIEF RADER IF THEY WOULD RETURN AS A FULLTIME EMPLOYEE THE REMARKS WERE " I WILL NOT WORK FOR THAT BOARD. DO THEY HAVE INSURANCE YET? ARE THEY STILL PROVIDING THE LOWEST SICK TIME AND VACATION? DON'T EVER CALL ME AND OFFER ME THE JOB CHIEF RADER, I WILL ALWAYS BE A NO FOR FULLTIME." THE VACANCIES WILL BE POSTED ON THE 18TH OF AUGUST.

CHIEF RADER RECEIVED A PAYROLL REIMBURSEMENT CHECK FROM AUXILIARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$560.02. THEY ALSO RECEIVED A CHECK FROM PUBLIC SAFETY FOR \$988.41 FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE ECLIPSE WHICH COVERED 75% OF THE COST.

THEY REVALIDATED THE MEDICAID AGREEMENT FOR 5 YEARS TO RECEIVE PAYMENT FOR SERVICES.

ON 7/15/2024 A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE A PURCHASE ORDER FOR FIRE HOSE. CHIEF RADER PRESENTED THE PURCHASE REQUEST TO THE BOARD FOR SIGNATURES.

CHIEF RADER SUBMITTED A PURCHASE REQUEST FOR TURN OUT GEAR THAT HAS REACHED END OF LIFE ON 3 SETS AND A QUOTE FOR \$10,575 TO REPLACE GEAR. LINE ITEM 274 CURRENTLY HAS \$25,000 AVAILABLE IN SMALL EQUIPMENT AND TURN AROUND IS 4-6 MONTHS.

HOSE TESTING HAS BEEN COMPLETED. 100 FOOT FAILED ON THE 5 INCH DIAMETER RUBBER HOSE.

THEY HAVE BEEN REPLACING THAT OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS.

THEY HAVE BEEN BUSY WITH FAIR PREP AND PERRY FIRE PARTICIPATED IN THE FAIR PARADE. THERE WILL BE A 911 MEMORIAL EXHIBIT AT THE FAIR. PERRY FIRE DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH OTHERS IN THE AREA WILL BE ESCORTING THEM INTO THE AREA ON THURSDAY THE 15TH.

CHIEF RADER THEN PRESENTED A PAPER WITH EGRESS ROUTES FOR THE TOWNSHIP HALL IN CASE OF FIRE. THE BOARD APPROVED ON CHIEF RADER PLACING THEM WHERE NEEDED.

RADER PRESENTED THE THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA TO THE BOARD THAT WAS PAID FOR BY DONATIONS.

CHRISTINA THEN ASKED IF ANYONE HAS UPDATED PICTURES FOR THE PRESENTATION FRAME THAT WILL BE AT THE ALLEN COUNTY FAIR IN THE ENGINEERS BOOTH TO PLEASE EMAIL THEM ASAP. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN REQUESTED TO COVER 2 SHIFTS AT THE ENGINEERS BOOTH. KEVIN COX WILL COVER WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21ST AND CHRISTINA WILL COVER SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH .

GUESTS

DEB SIDENER

GINGER HOLLAR

DEWAYNE SCOTT

JOE WIREMAN

SHARON MULLIN
FRANK CLEMENTZ
PAUL HOLLOWAY
EMILY HOLLOWAY

NORM CAPPS – NORM INFORMED LARRY SIDENER THAT THERE ARE GRANTS TO HELP PAY FOR A LAWYER TO HELP WORK ON THE ZONING BOOK.

ANGELA SNYDER
DAVE STOMBAUGH
PATTY DYER—

LORETTA HICKS- LORETTA ASKED IF WE ARE SUPPOSED TO FIND OUT WHICH COMPANY IS INTERESTED IN PUTTING THE DATA CENTER IN. LARRY ASKED CINDY IF THAT INFORMATION WAS BEING RELEASED YET AND SHE STATED THAT SINCE THE TRUSTEES HAVE BEEN EMAILED THE INFORMATION THAT IT IS PUBLIC INFORMATION NOW AND CAN BE RELEASED.

DICK ACOUTIS- IS ASKING THE BOARDS APPROVAL TO ADJUST HIS PROPERTY LINES. GINGER HOLLAR IS IN FAVOR OF THE CHANGE WHICH IS THE ONLY PROPERTY OWNER BESIDES THE TOWNSHIP. HE IS REQUESTING A RIGHT OF WAY. WILL STILL HAVE TO GO THROUGH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS. REGIONAL PLANNING IS IN FAVOR BUT HE WILL HAVE TO GO TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FIRST.

CHUCK WEIGT- AMHERST AND DICKSON SOMEONE SPRAY PAINTED THE ROAD AND IT NEEDS REMOVED. COREY SAID HE WILL LOOK INTO IT.

CINDY LEIS – CINDY READ AN EMAIL FROM THE DATA CENTER CLIENT. OUR PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LIMA CITY MAYOR ALONG WITH STATE OF OHIO OFFICIALS HAS RECEIVED THE INFORMATION ALSO. THE PROPOSED DATA CENTER IS MICROSOFT. (LETTER ATTACHED) THEY WILL HAVE AN OPEN HOUSE TENTATIVELY SEPTEMBER 12TH AT PERRY SCHOOL CAFETERIA FROM 4 – 7 PM. THEY WILL SEND OUT LETTERS ANNOUNCING THE OPEN HOUSE TO RESIDENTS OF PERRY TOWNSHIP AND ANY OTHERS.

MARK HOERSTON-
MELISSA HOLLWAY-

RON SPENCER- HE MADE A TRIP TO NEW ALBANY AND IT REMINDED HIM OF FANCY HORSE FARMS WITH WHITE FENCES AND RETENTION PONDS. HE GOT OUT AND LISTENED AND HE COULD HEAR A SLIGHT HUM AS IF FROM A GIANT FAN. HE TALKED TO RESIDENTS AND ASKED ABOUT NOISE FROM THE DATA CENTERS AND THEY STATED THEY DON'T HEAR ANY NOISE. HE STATED THERE ARE A LOT OF BUILDINGS THERE.

TRUSTEES:

LARRY ASKED CINDY TO CLARIFY THE APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS OF THE ZONING AMENDMENT TO ACCESS THE SITE FROM STATE ROUTE 65 OR HUME ROAD. DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEER, ODOT AND OTHER CONSULTANTS WILL LOOK AT AN ACCESS PLAN. THERE IS A MEETING WITH REGIONAL PLANNING ON AUGUST 28TH. THEY REQUEST A SECONDARY ENTRANCE ON GREELEY AT CIRA PROPERTY. MAIN ACCESS ON STATE ROUTE 65 AND HUME. HUME WOULD NEED IMPROVEMENT.

KEVIN COX IS ON THE POLICY COMMITTEE FOR NORTH CENTRAL OHIO SOLID WASTE DISTRICT AND ASKED ABOUT THE RECYCLING DUMPSTER COMING BACK. THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT BACK. GINGER HOLLAR STATED THAT SHE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT BACK BUT WE NEED THEM TO EMPTY IT MORE OFTEN TO PREVENT THE MISUSE AND EXCESS TRASH OUTSIDE OF THE DUMPSTER. ALL OF THE RECYCLING ENDS UP IN MARYSVILLE. NORM CAPPES SUGGESTED WE LOOK AT OTHER COMPANIES TO CONTRACT WITH THAT WILL PICK UP MORE OFTEN.

GREG KESSEN SPOKE ABOUT THE CONTRACT THAT KAYLA CAMPBELL SENT TO PHALEN'S ATTORNEY TO RELEASE \$10,000.

MOTIONS:

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 16, 2024, 2ND, GREG KESSEN ROLL CALL.

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123,988.51, 2ND, KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF \$750 TO HANSON-NEELY ALLISON FUNERAL AND CREMATION SERVICES FROM PERRY TOWNSHIP INDIGENT FUND ACCOUNT. MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL.

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO PAY MILLER BROTHERS FOR REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,577, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE JULY BANK RECONCILIATION FOR 2024, 2ND, GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL.

GREK KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF BRAD BUTTERFIELD FROM THE ZONING COMMISSION BOARD, 2ND KEVIN COX, ROLL CALL

GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO SET A SPECIAL MEETING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING DISCUSSING ADDING DATA CENTERS TO ZONING ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH AT 6PM, KEVIN COX, 2ND - ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF LUKE KORWIN IMMEDIATELY, 2ND GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ETHAN HULL AS OF AUGUST 26TH, 2024, 2ND GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO REHIRE LUKE KORWIN AS PART-TIME BASIC EMT AND VOLUNTEER FIRE AT THE APPLICABLE RATE, 2ND GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO REHIRE ETHAN HULL AS PART-TIME BASIC EMT AND VOLUNTEER FIRE AT THE APPLICABLE RATE, 2ND GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE REQUEST FOR 3 SETS OF TURN-OUT GEAR AT THE COST OF \$10,575.00, 2ND GREG KESSEN, ROLL CALL

KEVIN COX MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 9:14 PM, GREG KESSEN 2ND, ROLL CALL.