

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING  
HELD OCTOBER 15, 2024

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

### **CHRISTINA STOMBAUGH, FISCAL OFFICER**

CHRIS HAS BEEN 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 THE LIGHTING DISTRICTS 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.

CHRIS ATTENDED FISCAL OFFICER TRAINING ON OCTOBER 10TH IN PERRYSBURG OFFERED BY OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE. TOPICS COVERED WERE OPERS UPDATES, ODOT SEFA REPORTING, AUDIT PREP, GRANTS & INVESTMENTS AND CONFESSIONS OF FRAUDSTERS. CHRIS STRESSED BECAUSE OF SITUATIONS SHE LEARNED ABOUT IN FRAUD TRAINING THAT OVERSIGHT IS VERY IMPORTANT AND SHE WANTS THE TRUSTEES TO HAVE ACCESS TO ANY FINANCE RECORDS. SHE WILL ALERT THE TRUSTEES BY EMAIL OR TEXT THAT CERTAIN PAPERWORK IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY THE TRUSTEES BEFORE MEETINGS TO APPROVE THEM.

CHRIS WOULD LIKE TO RENEW THE EDUCATION SUBSCRIPTION WITH OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION FOR 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250.00 WHICH INCLUDES UNLIMITED REGISTRATION FOR ALL 2024 WEBINARS, A COMPLETE WEBINAR ARCHIVE AND RECORDINGS FOR 2022 AND 2023 WINTER CONFERENCES. ALL PERRY TOWNSHIP OTA MEMBERS HAVE ACCESS TO ALL TRAININGS ALSO.

CHRIS TOLD THE PUBLIC THERE ARE PROVIDED BROCHURES AT THE SIGN IN TABLE FROM GREAT LAKES COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP THAT HELPS ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS WITH HOME REPAIRS IN ALLEN COUNTY. CONTACT INFORMATION IS ON THE BROCHURE. BROCHURE ATTACHED  
WE HAVE RECEIVED THE WIRE TRANSFER ON OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup> IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,200 FOR THE SALE OF THE 2005 GMC FROM THE ROADS DEPARTMENT. IT HAD BEEN DEPOSITED TO A PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND UNDER THE ROADS DEPARTMENT TO BE SPENT ON ANY CAPITAL PURCHASE WITHIN 10 YEARS.

WE ALSO RECEIVED A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$395.00 FOR THE SALE OF EXPIRED TURN-OUT GEAR AND THAT HAS BEEN DEPOSITED INTO A PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND UNDER THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE SPENT ON ANY CAPITAL PURCHASE WITHIN 10 YEARS.

### **DEPARTMENT HEADS**

#### **JOHN ITEN, POLICE CHIEF**

GREG ASKED ABOUT THE INFORMATION ON CURRENT VEHICLES AT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. CHIEF ITEN HANDED THE TRUSTEES A REPORT OF POLICE ACTIVITY. GREG STATED INFORMATION FOUND ON THE REPORT ABOUT HOW MANY VEHICLE STOPS WERE PERFORMED WITH AMOUNT OF CITATIONS AND WARNINGS. HE ASKED THE CHIEF TO REDIRECT OFFICERS TO STAY AT THE NEEDED AREAS THAT RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN COMPLAINING ABOUT.

CHIEF ITEN ADVISED THE RADIOS THAT WERE ORDERED WILL BE INSTALLED ON THURSDAY.

CHIEF ITEN WAS IN NEW POLICE CHIEF TRAINING ALL OF LAST WEEK IN COLUMBUS.

COREY PRICED DIGITAL SPEED SIGNS. ALL OF THEM ARE ABOUT \$3,500 FOR SOLAR POWERED. JOHN HAS NOT LOOKED FOR GRANTS. GREG WOULD LIKE US TO LOOK INTO GRANTS TO HELP WITH COST. JOHN STATED THAT HE MAY BE ABLE TO LOOK INTO STATE SURPLUS FOR OLDER MODELS ALSO. CHAIRPERSON SIDENER ASKED MATT TREGLIA IF THEY CAN HELP WITH PATROLS. HE HAS NOT HEARD BACK BUT THEY ARE ALSO SHORT-HANDED. A RESIDENT NOTICED THE NEW SPEED LIMIT SIGN ON AMHERST FOR 55 MPH. THE SPEED LIMIT HAS NOT CHANGED ON THAT SECTION OF AMHERST BUT THEY JUST RECENTLY PUT UP THE SIGNS.

#### **COREY LEHMAN, ROAD DEPT. – ABSENT**

GREG KESSEN ANNOUNCED THAT THE 2024 ROAD PROGRAM IS COMPLETE. THE COUNTY IS WORKING ON WONNELL RD AND KERR TO THE CURVE.

**JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR –**

JOHN TURNED IN THE MEETING MINUTES FROM THE ZONING PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON OCTOBER 7TH ABOUT VARIANCE REQUEST ON YODER RD. GREG ASKED BREWSTER HOW FAR THE CITY SEWER COMES DOWN AND JOHN STATED THAT IT IS TOO PHALEN'S PROPERTY.

JOHN STATED THAT LAST FRIDAY WAS THE TRIAL FOR VICTORY LOUNGE. NO DECISION YET. THE JUDGE WILL SEND OUT A LETTER.

CHAIRPERSON SIDENER THEN STATED THAT THEY ARE GOING TO LOOK AT THE ZONING BOARD APPLICATIONS FOR DECISIONS.

LARRY STATED THAT THEY HAVE ANOTHER APPLICATION FROM ANGELA BAILEY WHO IS THE WIFE OF DAVE BAILEY. LARRY WILL CHECK WITH THE STATE WITH THE ETHICS COMMISSION. LARRY THEN READ OFF THE ZONING MEMBERS ON BOTH BOARDS. A RESIDENT ASKED HOW MANY WE NEED AND IT WAS STATED THAT WE NEED 5 MEMBERS AND 2 ALTERNATES ON THE ZONING COMMISSION AND ZONING APPEALS STILL NEEDS ALTERNATES.

**KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF –**

CHIEF RADER REQUESTED AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL.

CHAIRPERSON SIDENER READ A RESIGNATION LETTER FROM BILL JOSEPH. RESIGNATION WAS ACCEPTED AT THE OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> MEETING. LETTER ATTACHED

CHIEF RADER CONTINUES TO WORK WITH OHIO MEANS JOBS BUT NO QUALIFIED CANDIDATES. HE'S HAD TWO NO CALL, NO SHOW AT INTERVIEWS.

ON OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup> AT 4:30 AM THE FIRE STATION LOST POWER AND THE GENERATOR DIDN'T COME ON. AEP HAD A POWER SURGE AND POWER WAS RESTORED AT ABOUT 7:30 AM. WE HAVE A PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR THE GENERATOR. THE VENDOR SHOWS NO ERRORS BUT REPORTED THAT THE BOARD MAY BE OUTDATED AND NEED REPLACED AT A LATER DATE.

ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> THE ON DUTY CREW WAS INVITED TO POWELLS TRICK-OR-TREAT. THEY REPORTED POSITIVE ACTIVITY WITH COMMUNITY AND POSTED IT ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS FACEBOOK PAGE.

FIRE SAFETY WEEK WAS LAST WEEK FOR PERRY SCHOOLS. HE THANKED BROOKE HEDGES, NICK MYERS AND JOHN FOR VOLUNTEERING. THEY HAD AN ERROR WITH TRANSPORTATION FOR THE KIDS BUT BROOKE WAS ABLE TO WORK ON OTHER ACTIVITIES AND THE KIDS HAD A LOT OF FUN.

KORTNI POMAVILLE APPLIED AS AN EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR AND WAS APPROVED BY THE STATE AND EARNED A \$.10 RAISE FOR THAT CERTIFICATION.

BROOKE HEDGES REQUESTED DRESSINGS FROM LIMA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL WHICH WAS DONATED TO PERRY HIGH SCHOOL FOR CLASSROOMS SUCH AS BANDAGES, TOURNIQUETS AND WOUND DRESSINGS. CHIEF RADER WOULD LIKE TO HIRE LACIE LYNN GRAHAM AS A PART TIME EMT. THE FIREFIGHTERS HAVE ALL PASSED THE AGILITY TEST.

**GUESTS**

**RON MCELWIN –**

**SCOTT HOFACKER –**

**SHARON MULLINS-**

**JANET LAUF-**

**BROOKE HEDGES-**

**NICHOLAS MYERS-**

**FRANK CLEMENTZ-** FRANK ASKED ABOUT THE NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING THAT STATED THE TWO PARCELS WERE ON GREELY CHAPEL. IT WAS STATED THAT ONE OF THE PARCELS IS ON BREESE RD. IT WAS AN ERROR. GOING FORWARD WE WILL MAKE SURE THE PUBLIC NOTICES ARE PROOF READ.

**JIM CLEMENTZ-**

**TOM COULTER-**

**CHUCK WEIGT-** HE ASKED ABOUT THE ZONING BOARDS ABILITY TO USE THE ZONING LAWYER. LARRY SUGGESTED THAT IF THEY HAVE A QUESTIONS TO ASK THE ZONING INSPECTOR AND HE CAN RELAY IT TO BLAIN BROCK.

**FRANK LAMAR-**

**JASON STOMBAUGH-** HE SPOKE WITH POLICE CHIEF ITEN ABOUT SOMEONE THIS MORNING BLEW RIGHT THROUGH THE STOP SIGN ON AMHERST RD AND REAM RD.

**CINDY LEIS- (WITH ALLEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP AND ALLEN COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY)**

THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON A PROSPECT TO BRING IN TO PERRY TOWNSHIP WHICH WAS A DATA CENTER. IT WAS UNMASKED RECENTLY THAT IT WAS MICROSOFT. SHE APPRECIATES EVERYTHING THAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITH THIS PROJECT BUT UNFORTUNATELY THE EXECUTIVES AT MICROSOFT HAS DECIDED TO PULL THE PROJECT FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP. THEY DID NOT GIVE A REASON WHY. SHE FEELS AS THOUGH WE MAY GET OTHER INTEREST FROM OTHER DATA CENTERS. IT IS A GREAT SITE WITH LOTS OF POTENTIAL BECAUSE OF RAIL, STATE ROUTE, UTILITIES AND IT IS NEAR INTERSTATE. MICROSOFT HAD A 6 MONTH OPTION ON PROPERTIES AND THEY RENEWED IT RECENTLY. SHE ENCOURAGES THE TRUSTEES TO CONSIDER REZONING THE 2 PARCELS. SHE IS LOOKING AT NEW PROSPECTS BECAUSE WE

DESERVE IT FOR OUR RESIDENTS, SCHOOL DISTRICT AND A BUDGET THAT CONTINUES TO GROW. WE WILL CONTINUE TO PRESERVE OUR BUSINESSES IN THE AREA.

## **TRUSTEES**

### **RESOLUTIONS**

**GREG KESSEN MOVED FOR RESOLUTION #2024.1015-01 TO INCREASE THE LIGHTING ASSESSMENT TO \$14.21 PER LOT FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP LIGHTING DISTRICT - LINNEMAN, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX. SIDENER-YES, COX-YES , KESSEN-YES .**

**GREG MOVED FOR RESOLUTION #2024.1015-02 TO INCREASE THE LIGHTING ASSESSMENT TO \$14.50 PER LOT FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP LIGHTING DISTRICT- ST. JOHNS, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN. SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES.**

**GREG KESSEN MOVED FOR RESOLUTION #2024.1015-03 TO INCREASE THE LIGHTING ASSESSMENT TO \$18.30 PER LOT FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP LIGHTING DISTRICT-GLENN AVE., 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES.**

**KEVIN COX MOVED FOR A RESOLUTION 2024.1015-04 TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE REQUEST FOR A 2024 CHEVY TAHOE, FULLY UPFITTED WITH EMERGENCY LIGHTING PACKAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$64,654.00. 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**KEVIN COX MOVED FOR RESOLUTION #2024.1015-05 FOR A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION INCREASE OF \$55,000 TO THE GAS TAX, MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FUND (1000-760-730-0000) FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2024 CHEVY TAHOE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$64,654.00. REMAINING FUNDS WILL BE PAID FROM THE POLICE OPERATING FUND (1000-210-420-0000) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,654.00. 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A RESOLUTION 2024.1015-06 TO ACCEPT THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING MINUTES FOR A VARIANCE REQUEST AT 3200 YODER RD, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

### **MOTIONS**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 1, 2024, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER-YES , COX-YES , KESSEN-YES .**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$43,493.08, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER-YES, COX-YES , KESSEN-YES.**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT BANK RECONCILIATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2024, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX. SIDENER-YES , COX-YES , KESSEN-YES.**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE 2025 EDUCATION SUBSCRIPTION WITH OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250.00. 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup> FROM THE ZONING APPEALS BOARD, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO HAVE A SPECIAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> AT 5:30 PM FOR A REZONING REQUEST 2 PARCELS, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT BROOKE HEDGES TO THE ZONING COMMISSION BOARD, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT MARC HUERSTEN TO THE ZONING COMMISSION BOARD, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT NORM CAPPES TO THE ZONING COMMISSION BOARD, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX  
SIDENER-NO, COX-YES, KESSEN-NO**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT DAVE BAILEY TO THE ZONING COMMISSION BOARD, 2<sup>ND</sup> KEVIN COX  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A \$.10 PAY RAISE FOR KORTNI POMAVILLE FOR CERTIFICATION FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO HIRE LACIE LYNN GRAHAM AS PART-TIME EMT AT THE APPLICABLE RATE OF \$14.50/HOUR, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH CHIEF RADER AND FISCAL OFFICER, CHRISTINA STOMBAUGH AT 8:26 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:05 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

ACTION TAKEN:

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO HIRE AN ADDITIONAL FULL-TIME PERSON FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE WILL ELIMINATE SHIFT D AND E AND HAVE TWO FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES EACH ON A, B AND C SHIFT. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO REDUCE PART-TIME STAFF EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025 FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO 4,380 HOURS PER YEAR AS NEEDED FOR NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY, RESIDENTS, VISTORS AND STAKEHOLDERS, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LEGAL ISSUES WITH BLAIN BROCK AT 9:08 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:20 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**

NO ACTION TAKEN

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 9:21 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.  
SIDENER-YES, COX-YES, KESSEN-YES**