

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES-SPECIAL MEETING

MEETING  
HELD OCTOBER 29, 2024

PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MET IN SPECIAL SESSION, CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:30 PM BY CHAIRPERSON LARRY SIDENER. KEVIN COX AND GREG KESSEN PRESENT. ROLLCALL BY FISCAL OFFICER. THE TRUSTEES PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOLLOWED.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS TO ANNOUNCE THE DECISION OF THE TRUSTEES TO REZONE TWO PARCELS FROM AGRICULTURAL TO INDUSTRIAL.

### GUESTS:

**MIKE MATHYS**

**REX HUFFMAN**

**GARY**

**MARY SWEIGART**

**CINDY LEIS**

**SHARON MULLINS**

**FRANK CLEMENTZ**

**CHUCK WEIGT**

**KATHY DICKSON**

### TRUSTEES:

**CHAIRPERSON SIDENER** STATED THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CONCLUDED AT THE LAST MEETING SO THE TRUSTEES WILL DISCUSS THE REZONING APPLICATIONS. HE INFORMED THAT THIS IS ABOUT TWO PARCELS OF LAND. THE PARCEL OWNERS STARTED THE PROCESS OF REZONING. THE ZONING BOARD APPROVED IT TO GO TO REGIONAL PLANNING. REGIONAL PLANNING RECOMMENDED FOR THE FRONTAGE ON GREELY CHAPEL BE EXCLUDED. ZONING COMMISSION PASSED IT AND THE TRUSTEES HAD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup>. THEY HAD 20 DAYS TO MAKE A DECISION TO REZONE. MICROSOFT HAS DROPPED OUT. **CHAIRPERSON SIDENER** READ AN EMAIL FROM JIM AND JEFF CIRA. LETTER ATTACHED. **CINDY LEIS** STATED THAT RON SPOKE TO HENDERSON'S AND THEY WOULD STILL LIKE IT REZONED. **TRUSTEE KESSEN** STATED THAT THERE IS ALREADY A LARGE AREA THAT IS ZONED I-2 WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 325 ACRES AND THERE IS A RIGHT A WAY WITH THE RAIL. **CINDY LEIS** STATED THAT THERE ARE CONSTRAINTS BECAUSE OF THE RAIL AND NARROW LAYOUTS. THE MICROSOFT LAYOUT USED MOST OF THE HENDERSON AND CIRA PROPERTIES AND ACCESS ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE TRACK. **CHAIRMAN SIDENER** STATED THAT IT HAS BEEN MENTIONED MANY TIMES THAT IF THE DATA CENTER DOESN'T COME IN THAT THE LAND NEEDS TO GO BACK TO AGRICULTURAL. THERE ARE A LOT OF ROAD IMPROVEMENTS THAT WOULD NEED TO BE DONE FOR ANY INDUSTRY TO COME IN. NOW THAT MICROSOFT PULLED OUT HE FEELS LIKE IT SHOULD STAY AGRICULTURAL. **TRUSTEE COX** STATED THAT GREELY CHAPEL IS A COUNTY ROAD. ANYTHING THAT WANTS TO COME HERE THEY WOULD HAVE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT TO DO THE NEEDED ROAD WORK. IT MAKES NO ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT AND FEELS LIKE IT SHOULD BE ZONED AS INDUSTRIAL. **TRUSTEE KESSEN** STATED THAT AEDG AND PORT AUTHORITY HAS BEEN MARKETING THIS LAND FOR A LONG TIME AND HAD A GREAT PROSPECT. A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN STATING THAT A LOT WORSE CAN GO IN THERE AND HE FEELS THAT IF WE REZONE THEN WE WILL HAVE VERY LITTLE SAY IT WHAT COULD GO IN THERE AND FEELS WE SHOULDN'T REZONE MORE BECAUSE WE RELINQUISH CONTROL. **TRUSTEE COX** SAID BECAUSE OF THE RAIL THERE ISN'T VERY MUCH THAT CAN GO IN THERE. HE SEES IT AS DEAD GROUND WITHOUT THE ADDED ACREAGE. **BLAIN BROCK** STATED THAT THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF WORK DONE ON THE SITE AND THERE WILL HAVE TO BE MUCH MORE WORK TO BE SHOVEL READY. AEDG AND PORT AUTHORITY WOULD BE WILLING TO DO THAT BUT THEY NEED A BIGGER PIECE OF LAND TO MAKE THAT WORK FOR THEM. IF IT CHANGES TO I-2 THAT GIVES UP THE TOWNSHIP'S CONTROL OF WHAT GOES IN THERE. IF THEY DECIDE NOT TO REZONE A STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD WOULD BE BENEFICIAL FOR ANY OTHER COMPANIES LOOKING AT THE LAND. WE DON'T WANT ANY POTENTIAL COMPANIES TO THINK THE DOOR IS SHUT IN PERRY TOWNSHIP IF IT ISN'T. **CHAIRPERSON SIDENER** THEN STATED THAT WE ARE HERE TO MAKE A DECISION TO EITHER ADOPT, DENY OR MODIFY THE ZONING COMMISSIONS RECOMMENDATION. HE THEN READ THE DECISION OF THE ZONING COMMISSION MADE BY MIKE NICHOLS TO REZONE THE ENTIRE TWO PARCELS WITH SASHA WEIGT BEING THE 2<sup>ND</sup>.

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO DENY THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE ZONING BOARD. 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER-YES, COX-NO, KESSEN-YES.**  
MOTION PASSED. THE ZONING REQUEST IS DENIED.

**TRUSTEE KESSEN** THEN STATED THAT PERRY TOWNSHIP HAS A GREAT APPRECIATION FOR EVERYTHING THAT AEDG AND THE PORT AUTHORITY. WE CONTINUE TO WANT TO WORK WITH THEM AND MARKET

THE 325 ACRES THAT WE HAVE IN I-2 IF THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXPANSION WITH WHAT IS CURRENTLY IN THE I-2.

**LARRY SIDENER MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 5:53PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. LARRY SIDENER-YES, KEVIN COX-YES, GREG KESSEN-YES.**