

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING  
HELD MARCH 18, 2025

PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MET IN REGULAR SESSION, CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 BY CHAIRPERSON KEVIN COX. LARRY SIDENER AND GREG KESSEN PRESENT. ROLL CALL BY FISCAL OFFICER. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOLLOWED AND THE TRUSTEES PRAYER.

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

CHRIS LET EVERYONE PLEASE START WORKING ON THEIR NEWSLETTER. THEY ARE DUE BY THE END OF APRIL AND ASKED THE BOARD TO THINK ABOUT A DATE FOR RECYCLING SO THAT TRUSTEE GREG CAN SET UP THE DUMPSTERS. WE WILL SET A DATE AT NEXT MEETING AND POSSIBLY LOOK AT HIRING A FEW PEOPLE TO HELP OUT AT TRUSTEE KESSEN'S SUGGESTION. CHIEF ITEN SUGGESTION WE CONTACT SCHOOLS IF ANYONE HAS COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS.

CHRIS ASKED IF THE BOARD CAN DECIDE ON JERRY HUNT CLEANING THE RENTAL HALL. CHRIS ALSO STATED THAT THE SOONER THE CLEANING GETS DONE WE CAN GET IT PAINTED AND ALSO ORDER MORE TABLES BEFORE GRADUATION PARTIES ARE HELD.

CHRIS ASKED IF WE CAN SET A SPECIAL MEETING TO UPDATE THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK. WE ASKED THE DEPARTMENT HEADS TO PLEASE SUBMIT ANY REVISIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE HANDBOOK TO CHRIS OR A TRUSTEE. CHRIS WILL OUTLINE THE REQUESTED EDITS. THERE WILL BE DEPARTMENT HEADS ABSENT AT THE NEXT MEETING SO WE CHOSE TO SET A SPECIAL MEETING ON APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup> AT 5 PM.

WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM CHILES-LAMAN FUNERAL SERVICE FOR AN INDIGENT BURIAL FOR SOMEONE AT LOST CREEK NURSING HOME IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750.00. THERE IS OHIO GRANTS THAT WE CAN APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

CHRIS THEN STATED COSIMO DI TOLLA CAME TO THE MEETING THIS EVENING TO FIND OUT ABOUT HIS VOLUNTEER STATUS WITH PERRY FIRE DEPARTMENT. CHRIS WILL SPEAK TO OUR CONTACT AT CLEMANS AND NELSON TO ASK THEM TO SET A MEETING WITH COSIMO AND HIS ATTORNEY.

CHAIRMAN COX TALKED TO BLAIN BROCK ABOUT THE RENEWAL LEVY. HE IS WILLING TO PROCESS THE NEEDED PAPERWORK AT THE COST OF \$1000

### **DEPARTMENT HEADS**

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

DYLAN MOHR IS SWORN IN BY CHAIRMAN COX AS A PERRY POLICE DEPARTMENT AS AN POLICE OFFICER. CHIEF ITEN ASKED TO AMEND THE MOTION ON THE GRAPHICS FOR THE CRUISER FROM JBL. HE WAS ABLE TO TALK TO A REP AT PAR UP IN BUCYRUS. THE NEW QUOTE IS FOR \$1,650.

CHIEF ITEN CHECKED ON THE TRUCK ON 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET THAT HAD FLAT TIRES IN THE RIGHT OF WAY. THE TIRES WERE FIXED AND IT WAS IN HIS DRIVEWAY AFTER A 72 HOUR RECORD WAS GIVEN.

HE STATED THAT HE WILL BE PICKING UP THE NEW CRUISER THE NEXT DAY IN CLEVELAND.

HE THEN DISCUSSED WHAT THEY WANT TO DO WITH THE CROWN VIC. THEY WOULDN'T GET MUCH FOR IT AT AUCTION SO HE ASKED ABOUT ZONING USING IT. CHRIS WILL REACH OUT TO INSURANCE AND FIND OUT ABOUT PLATES.

#### **COREY LEHMAN, ROAD SUPERVISOR-**

COREY TURNED IN ROAD STRIPING PROGRAM FOR APPROVAL. OUT OF 47 MILES THERE ARE ONLY 15 MILES THAT ARE WIDE ENOUGH TO BE STRIPED.

THERE IS A MEETING FOR ROAD PROGRAM ON MAY 25<sup>TH</sup> AT 8 AM AT THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE. COREY IS TAKING OFF #175 FOR A TOTAL \$208,000 AFTER THE COUNTY'S \$8,000 SHARE.

COREY GAVE THE TRUSTEES AN ESTIMATE FOR RECLAIMITE SEALING FOR \$13,975.10.

#### **JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR-**

JOHN GAVE THE TRUSTEES COURT PAPERWORK FOR VICTORY LOUNGE AND THE ZONING MINUTES FROM 3/12/2025.

THEY DESPERATELY NEED ZONING APPEALS BOARD MEMBERS. CALEB JOHNSON IS 21 YEARS OLD AND BUSY WITH SCHOOL BUT JOHN ASKED HIM TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION. TRUSTEE KESSEN HAS SPOKEN WITH A COUPLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS BUT HASN'T HAD ANY LUCK.

CHAIRMAN COX STATED THAT BLAIN SENT A LETTER TO VICTORY LOUNGE AND TO PHALEN'S LAWYER.

FRANK CLEMENTZ ASKED ABOUT THE ZONING MEETINGS CHANGING THE WORDING. JOHN STATED THAT IT GOES TO REGIONAL PLANNING FIRST AND THEN BACK TO THE TRUSTEES TO APPROVE, AMEND OR REJECT. FRANK WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE REASONING FOR SOME OF THE CHANGES SUCH AS NOT BEING ABLE TO PUT A GARAGE ON LAND WITHOUT A PRIMARY DWELLING. JOHN STATED THAT IS AN

ORC CODE. IF THE LAND IS USED FOR AGRICULTURE, YOU MAY BUILD A BARN ON THE LAND BUT NOT FOR RESIDENTIAL USE LESS THAN 3 ACRES. FRANK ALSO ASKED WHY CHARGE A \$50 PERMIT FEE FOR STORAGE BUILDING OF MORE THAN 10 X 10. JOHN STATED THAT THE COUNTY AUDITORS ARE TAXING BUILDINGS OF THE SAME SIZE.

**KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF –**

FOR INDIGENT FUNERAL EXPENSE THERE IS A HOUSE BILL 315 FILL OUT AN APPLICATION, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE #47.17.07.05.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup> PANCAKE DAY 7 AM – 11AM.

KNOCK BOXES IS NOW AN ONLINE PROGRAM AND ORDER ONLINE.

BAY DOOR 1 AND FDC HAS BEEN REPAIRED.

OHIO MEANS JOBS POSTED AN OPEN POSITION FOR ADMIN ASSIST. THEY GOT APPLICANTS FROM THAT.

HOLCOMB PASSED HIS OP&F PHYSICAL.

CHIEF RADER IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON THE EMS GRANT.

ON SATURDAY POMAVILLE, HEDGES AND LEE WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE HIGH HILL CLUB.

LEE, HOLCOMB AND SPRAGUE WILL BE ROTATING WITH OTHER SHIFTS FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINING WITH OTHER SUPERVISORS.

FIRST DUE IS COMING ALONG.

NEW EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN OUT DOING REQUIRED TRAINING INCLUDING DRIVE TIME ON THE TRUCK.

CHIEF RADER IMPLEMENTED A WEEKLY AND MONTHLY TRAINING.

PERRY PROTECH IS COMING DUE. CHAIRMAN COX AND CHIEF RADER MET WITH THEM AND SOME KEY POINTS IS ON THE NEW CONTRACT THEY CAN SET UP USER CODES THAT WILL TELL WHO IS PRINTING WHAT. A WORK SPACE IS BEING ADDED WITH A STAPLER AND HOLE PUNCH IS BEING ADDED. DATA PROTECTION AND SECURITY WILL BE IMBEDDED ON FAX MACHINES ALSO. PRINTING ALLOWANCES WERE INCREASED TO KEEP THE OVERAGES COST LOWER. WE GET A REBATE CHECK FOR \$600 AND DISCOUNTS OF \$700 FOR SECURITY. THE RENEWAL CONTRACT IS FOR 60 MONTH LEASE. THE CURRENT BILL IS \$533.20. THERE IS A 2% SAVINGS THROUGH THE END OF THE MONTH. THE NEW MONTHLY BILL WILL BE \$524.94. THE MONTHLY BILL IS GOING DOWN BUT WE ARE GETTING MORE SECURITY, MORE COPIES AND MORE FUNCTIONS SUCH AS SCAN TO PDF WHICH WILL BE ON BOTH COPIERS.

CHIEF RADER IS REQUESTING TWO EXECUTIVE SESSIONS FOR PERSONAL.

**GUEST**

**JASON STOMBAUGH, DAVE STOMBAUGH**

**COSMIOS DI TOLLA** – HE REQUESTED AN OPT TO SEE IF HE CAN TRAIN WITH CHIEF RADER. TRUSTEE KESSEN APOLOGIZED FOR THE TIME DELAY. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING LEGALLY. CHRIS WILL CONTACT FRED LORD AT CLEMANS AND NELSON TO REACH OUT TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH CLEMANS AND NELSON AND MR DI TOLLA AND HIS ATTORNEY.

**FRANK CLEMENTZ** – HE IS STILL REQUESTING ZONING MINUTES AND ASKED ABOUT PUTTING THEM ON THE WEBSITE. CHRIS HAS REACHED OUT TO THE LOCAL TOWNSHIPS AND NO ONE ELSE PUTS THEM ON THEIR WEBSITES. JOHN STATED THAT THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES CAN'T BE RELEASED BECAUSE THERE ISN'T ENOUGH MEMBERS RIGHT NOW. IT WILL NORMALLY TAKE 30 DAYS TO APPROVE BECAUSE THEY ONLY HAVE REGULAR MEETINGS ONCE A MONTH.

**JIM CLEMENTZ** – HE WOULD LIKE AN UPDATE ON THE TRAFFIC STUDY ON AMHERST ROAD. THE INFORMATION ON 8/15/2023 TRUSTEE MEETING DOESN'T MATCH WITH THE REPORT HE WAS GIVEN. CHAIRMAN COX EXPLAINED THAT THE PAPERWORK WAS FROM ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEERS.

**JANET LAUF** – ASKED ABOUT THE PLATES FOR TOWNSHIP VEHICLES. CHRIS STATED THAT SHE HAS TO GET THEM FROM THE STATE.

**TRUSTEES**

GREG KESSEN SUGGEST ORDERING THE DIGITAL SPEED SIGNS. HE WOULD LIKE THEM TO BE ABLE TO LOCK AND SECURE. HE HOPES TO PURCHASE A COUPLE FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR \$8000 TO \$9000 FOR TWO. THE ONES THAT FLASH "SLOW DOWN" WITH DATA COLLECTION SO THEY KNOW WHEN THE HOT SPOTS ARE. GREG, COREY AND CHIEF ITEN WILL GET MORE INFORMATION.

LARRY SIDENER DISCUSSED THE INDUSTRIAL AREA OFF OF THE RAILROAD TRACKS. I-2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL TO B-2 GENERAL BUSINESS. HE THEN DISCUSSED TYPES OF BUSINESS THAT CAN GO INTO B-2. ALLEN ECONOMIC AND PORT AUTHORITY HASN'T REACHED OUT SINCE THE DATA CENTER WENT OUT. IF THEY WON'T MARKET THE PROPERTY RIGHT, HE THINK IT SHOULD BE CHANGED.

JASON STOMBAUGH ASKED ABOUT MICROSOFT'S OPTION TO PURCHASE CONTRACT'S THAT THEY HAD WITH THE LAND OWNERS. ARE WE ABLE TO REZONE AT THIS TIME? JASON STATED THAT HE MAY WANT TO CHECK IF WE CAN DO THE RIGHT NOW. LARRY STATED THAT WHEN MICROSOFT TURNED IT DOWN

THAT THEY AREN'T CONTACTING PERRY ANYMORE. WE WILL CHECK WITH BLAIN. THE LANDOWNERS COULD SUE THAT WANTED THE CHANGE. GREG KESSEN STATED THERE ARE A LOT OF OPEN AREAS ON ST RT 65. REGIONAL PLANNING IS BUSY RIGHT NOW WITH THE PROJECT ON NORTH END ON COLE STREET. AEDG CONTACTED CHAIRMAN COX AND WANTED THE BOARD TO MAKE A DECISION ON WHAT THEY WANT TO SEE FOR THE INDUSTRIAL LAND AND HOW TO MARKET IT.

#### **MOTIONS**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO HIRE BILL FOSTER AS A PART-TIME FIRE INSPECTOR AT THE RATE OF \$15 PER HOUR, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CORRECTED MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 4, 2025, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE MOTION TO PAY BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$114,935.55, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR FEBRUARY 2025, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CREDIT CARD RECONCILIATION FOR MARCH 2025, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO SET A SPECIAL MEETING ON APRIL 15,2025 AT 5 PM FOR HANDBOOK REVIEW, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO COVER THE FUNERAL EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750.00 TO CHILES-LAMAN FUNERAL SERVICE FOR OY BOUNLEVANG, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO PAY BLAIN BROCK \$1000 TO START THE RENEWAL LEVY PROCESS, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO RESCIND A MOTION FROM THE TRUSTEE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> TO JBL GRAPHICS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,200, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE REQUEST FOR PARR FOR DECALS FOR THE 2024 CHEVY TAHOE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,650, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ROAD STRIPING, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ESTIMATE FOR RECLAMITE SEALING TO PAVEMENT TECH INC ON AMHERST AND KERR ROAD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,975.10, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ZONING MEETING MINUTES FROM 3/12/2025,2<sup>ND</sup>**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR PERRY PROTECH FOR 60 MONTHS, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:04 PM FOR EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:16 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**NO ACTION**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:17PM FOR PERSONNEL WITH CHIEF RADER, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:30 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**ACTION TAKEN – HIRE ASHLYN TRACY AS FIRE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AT THE RATE OF \$17.25**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO HIRE ASHLYN TRACY AS FIRE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AT THE RATE OF \$17.25 FOR 40 HOURS PER WEEK AND WILL CONTRIBUTE TO OPERS. 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:32 PM FOR PERSONNEL WITH CHIEF RADER, LARRY SIDENER 2<sup>ND</sup>.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:35 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**

**ACTION TAKEN – HIRE BILL FOSTER AS PART-TIME FIRE INSPECTOR WITH RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOCIAL SECURITY**

**GREG KESSEN MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:40 PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER.**

**SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN - YES**