

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING  
HELD JUNE 17, 2025

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

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

CHRIS STATED THAT THEY ARE BEGINNING TO GATHER INFORMATION FOR THE AUDIT FOR 2023 – 2024. CHRIS STATED THAT SHE SENT THE NEWSLETTER TO THE PRINTER. THEY SHOULD BE GOING OUT IN THE MAIL SOON.

### **DEPARTMENT HEADS**

#### **JOHN ITEN, POLICE CHIEF – ABSENT**

CHIEF ITEN SENT AN EMAIL ABOUT NIGHT SHOOTING AT THE ALLEN COUNTY AIRPORT FOR DEER. THEY GOT A PERMIT FOR SOME NIGHT SHOOTING BECAUSE OF SAFETY ISSUES WITH THE PLANES. HE IS STILL IN THE PROCESS OF CLEANING UP THE OFFICE.

**COREY LEHMAN, ROAD SUPERVISOR –** THE 6210 IS AT MILLER AUTO BEING WORKED ON. HE HAS BEEN TROUBLESHOOTING AND HASN'T FOUND THE MAIN ISSUE YET AFTER CHANGING SEVERAL OTHER THINGS. HE DID REPLACE THE RADIATOR, AND HE WILL BE CHANGING THE WATER PUMP.

COREY STATED THAT IT IS SUPPOSED TO BE REALLY HOT NEXT WEEK.

TRUSTEE KESSEN ASKED ABOUT THE DIGITAL SPEED SIGNS. HE DID OPEN THE BOX AND WILL GET THE BATTERIES CHARGED.

CHRIS STATED THAT THE INVOICE CAME FROM KALIDA TRUCK FOR OUTFITTING THE FREIGHTLINER. COREY SAID HE WILL CONTACT THEM.

**JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR –** JOHN IS WORKING WITH CROWN ENTERPRISES FOR A TEAR DOWN OF A HOUSE ON BEHIND PTC.

KEVIN AND JOHN WENT TO THE VICTORY LOUNGE HEARING, AND THEY HAD TO CANCEL IT. THEY RECEIVED AN EMAIL THAT IT WILL BE RESUMED IN OCTOBER.

JOHN IS WORKING WITH ADAM HAUNHURT AND NEEDS SIGNATURES ON A MAP TO RETURN TO ADAM. HE ALSO NEEDS THE BOARD TO SIGN SOMETHING FOR THE SOLAR THEN WE CAN PUT ON THE WEBSITE.

#### **KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF – ABSENT**

JASON SMEDLEY PRESENT FOR CHIEF RADER. 1403 BRUSH TRUCK NEEDED TIRES. THE TIRES WERE 10 YEARS OLD SO THEY WERE REPLACED ON JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup> AT THE COST OF \$1050.68, WHICH WAS WITH A GOVERNMENT DISCOUNT.

1406 HOSE BED COVER HAD TEARS. REPAIRS COULD NOT BE DONE. PRICE IS ABOUT \$150.

1405 SAME ISSUE WITH HOSE BED COVER. REPLACEMENT ALSO WILL BE BELOW \$400.

1407 LADDER TESTING WILL BE ON JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>.

RESIGNATION FROM PART-TIME AND VOLUNTEER EMPLOYEE FROM JASON HELTON. DEPUTY CHIEF SMEDLEY WILL ASK FOR A RESIGNATION. HE HAS ALREADY TURNED IN EVERYTHING TO THE FIRE HOUSE. TRUSTEE KESSEN STATED THAT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, HE ACCEPTS THE VOLUNTARY RESIGNATION FROM JASON HELTON AS OF JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

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DC SMEDLEY ASKED TO HIRE RYLEE MCCUISTION AS A LEVEL II FIRE-FIGHTER AND EMT BASIC AS A FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE. SHE WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A PARAMEDIC.

TRUSTEE KESSEN SPOKE OF THE LETTER FROM CHIEF RADER ABOUT THE POSSIBLE CONDITION OF THE 1406 TRUCK.

### **GUESTS**

#### **JASON STOMBAUGH**

**JIM CLEMENTZ –** JIM ASKED WHEN TO EXPECT THE DIGITAL SPEED SIGNS TO BE OUT. COREY STATED THAT IT WILL BE THE WEEK BEFORE JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>.

**FRANK CLEMENTZ –** FRANK STATED THAT HE IS STILL DOING RESEARCH.

**JANET LAUF -**

**PATTY DYER -**

**SHARON MULLINS** – SHE ASKED ABOUT THE HOUSE ON ST RT 65 WITH THE CAMPER. THE BOARD STATED THAT THE OWNER IS WORKING ON IT. SHE THEN ASKED IF ANYTHING NEW IS COMING. THE BOARD SPOKE ABOUT NEW THINGS THAT ARE COMING TO THE AREA. MCLAIN AND HANTHORN SHOULD BE OPENING BACK UP SOON. CINDY LEIS WAS AT THE PRIOR MEETING STATING NEW PROJECTS THAT WILL BE COMING ON COMMERCE PARKWAY.

#### **TRUSTEES**

LARRY SIDENER SIGNED UP FOR GOLF ON WEDNESDAY. HE ASKED ABOUT RESCHEDULING THE BUDGET MEETING BUT CHRIS EXPLAINED THAT THE MEETING NOTICE HAS BEEN IN THE NEWSPAPER ALREADY. WE SHOULD PASS THE LEVY RESOLUTION BUT IT HAS THE WRONG ELECTION DATE ON IT. KEVIN COX STATED THAT THERE WILL BE A MEETING AT 7PM FOR THE HEALTH BOARD. THEY HAVE FOUR VERY GOOD APPLICANTS FOR ONE OPEN POSITION.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION FOR RESOLUTION #2025.617-01 TO INCREASE REVENUE FOR THE GENERAL FUND, INTEREST (1000-701) BY \$2000 FOR A TOTAL OF \$4000, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION FOR RESOLUTION #2025.0617-02 TO INCREASE REVENUE FOR THE MVL FUND, INTEREST (2011-701) BY \$50 FOR A TOTAL OF \$65, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION FOR RESOLUTION #2025.0617-03 TO INCREASE THE GAS TAX FUND, INTEREST BY \$140 FOR A TOTAL OF \$200, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION FOR RESOLUTION #2025.0617-04 TO INCREASE THE ROAD & BRIDGE FUND, INTEREST BY \$16,000 FOR A TOTAL OF \$20,000, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

#### **MOTIONS**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CORRECTED MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 3, 2025, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BUDGET HEARING MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 3, 2025, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$32,459.75, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**GREG KESSEN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR MAY 2025, 2<sup>ND</sup> LARRY SIDENER. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE A MOTION TO HIRE RYLEE MCCUISTION AS A LEVEL II FIRE-FIGHTER AND EMT BASIC PENDING OP&F PHYSICAL AND BACKGROUND CHECK AT THE APPLICABLE RATE, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**

**LARRY SIDENER MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:14PM, 2<sup>ND</sup> GREG KESSEN. SIDENER – YES, COX – YES, KESSEN – YES**