

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MEETING
HELD FEBRUARY 3, 2026

PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MET IN REGULAR SESSION, CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 BY CHAIRPERSON SCOTT STOMBAUGH - PRESENT, KEVIN COX - PRESENT, FRANK CLEMENTZ - PRESENT. ROLLCALL BY FISCAL OFFICER. A TRUSTEE'S PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOLLOWED.

CHRISTINA STOMBAUGH, FISCAL OFFICER –

CHRIS SPOKE ABOUT A FEW OF THE BILLS. WE ALREADY MADE MOTIONS AT THE JANUARY 20TH MEETING TO APPROVE THE TWO INSURANCE HOLD PAYMENTS, THE PAYMENT TO THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP – STARK COUNTY, AND THE DISPATCH BILL FOR ALLEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. CHRIS REQUESTED A MOTION TO PAY ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEERS FOR A SALT INVOICE FOR \$6,703.29 AND A MOTION FOR MILLER AUTO INVOICE FOR MEDIC 2 BRAKE WORK FOR \$3,878.89. THE PAYMENT FOR \$13,061.41 IS A REGULAR MONTHLY PAYMENT FOR ½ OF THE LODGING TAX FOR NOVEMBER 2025.

CHRISTINA STATED THAT W-2S AND 1099'S HAVE BEEN FINISHED AND SENT OUT. THE END OF THE YEAR IS ALMOST COMPLETE.

CHRIS THEN ASKED IF ASHLYN TRACY TO HELP WITH MEETING MINUTES AND TO ASK IF SHE CAN COME TO THE NEXT ZONING MEETING SO THAT CHRIS CAN SHOW HER THE FORMAT OF THE MINUTES. WE WILL BE GETTING BACK TWO LAPTOPS THIS WEEK FROM M & D COMPUTERS. THEY HAVE WINDOWS 11 PROFESSIONAL AND MICROSOFT OFFICE. ONE WILL BE FOR TRUSTEES, AND ONE WILL BE FOR ZONING MINUTES AND MEMBERS. THE BOARD STATED THAT ASHLYN CAN TAKE MINUTES FOR THE ZONING BOARDS IF SHE AGREES.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

JOHN ITEN, POLICE CHIEF-

CHIEF ITEN TURNED IN A RESIGNATION FROM DYLAN MOHR, WHO'S LAST DAY WAS JANUARY 27TH, 2026. READ BY TRUSTEE STOMBAUGH. LETTER ATTACHED.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ANOTHER DONATION FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPUTY SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION. OVER 50 PAIRS OF BTU PANTS WORTH \$85 EACH.

CHIEF ITEN ASKED TO TABLE THE REQUEST FOR THE VESTS UNTIL HE SPEAKS TO AUXILIARY MEMBERS. HE IS LOOKING AT HAVING A CHAIN OF COMMAND, HE ASKED TO PROMOTE LIEUTENANT WATSON AS CAPTAIN WITH A MONTHLY STIPEND. THE TRUSTEES THEN SPOKE ABOUT A STIPEND FOR THIS POSITION. HE HAS TO GET THE REQUIRED MONTHLY MINIMUM HOURS OF AT LEAST 30 HOURS AT THE CURRENT HOURLY RATE TO EARN THE STIPEND OF \$400 PER MONTH.

HE THEN HANDED IN THE CALL LOGS FOR JANUARY.

FRANK SPOKE ABOUT KEEPING TRACK OF THE HOURS THAT THE OFFICERS WORK IN A SPREADSHEET. FRANK STATED THAT FOUR OF THE OFFICERS WORK MOST OF THE HOURS. HE ASKS WHY WE NEED TO BUY VESTS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR EACH OFFICER WHEN SOME DON'T PUT ANY HOURS IN. CHIEF ITEN WANTS TO KNOW WHY HE NEEDS TO FILL IN ANOTHER SPREADSHEET WHEN HE ALREADY HAS A TIMESHEET OF EACH OFFICER IN HIS SPREADSHEET. THE TRUSTEES WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE AUXILIARY IS DOING IN THE TOWNSHIP'S NAME.

COREY LEHMAN, ROAD SUPERVISOR- ABSENT

KEVIN COX STATED THAT COREY WAS UNABLE TO BE AT THE MEETING. HE WILL BE ADJUSTING HIS WORK HOURS TO 6:30 AM – 3 PM FROM MARCH THROUGH JUNE BECAUSE OF COACHING FOR THE SCHOOL. TOTALS FROM THE SNOW STORM WAS 1,145 MILES OF ROADS PLOWED WITH THREE TRUCKS, 239 GALLONS OF FUEL, 43 HOURS OF OVERTIME, OVER 50 TONS OF SALT MIX FROM SUNDAY - WEDNESDAY. TRUSTEE STOMBAUGH THANKED ANDREW KLAUS FOR THE HELP.

JOHN BREWSTER, ZONING INSPECTOR-

HE SPOKE ABOUT ALLOWING TEMPORARY HOUSING, SUCH AS CAMPERS, WHEN A HOUSE CATCHES FIRE. HE WILL HAVE THE ZONING BOARDS WHITE UP A POLICY FOR TIME FRAME ALLOWED. TACO BELL PERMITS ARE ALL SUBMITTED, AND THEY ARE READY TO TEAR DOWN AND REBUILD.

KEVIN RADER, FIRE CHIEF-

HOSE TESTING CONTRACT IS ALMOST DONE. THEY USE NFPA STANDARD AND THE COST WILL BE ABOUT \$7,000 AND WILL TEST NOZZLES ALSO WILL ADD ANOTHER \$500.

THE BOARD SPOKE ABOUT GETTING CAMERA QUOTES FROM M & D COMPUTERS AND LIMA SECURITY. HE WILL FORWARD TO THE BOARD AS SOON AS HE GETS THEM.

CHIEF RADER HAS BEEN LOOKING INTO CYBER SECURITY TRAINING FOR THE TOWNSHIP. IT IS FREE THROUGH THE STATE WITH A LINK. TOPICS SUCH AS RISK TO PUBLIC SUBDIVISION, CYBER BREACH POLICY, AND ANNUAL TRAINING. WE WILL RECEIVE QUOTES FROM M & D COMPUTERS.

ON JANUARY 14TH SOME OF THE MEMBERS HAD TRAINING WITH COTS AND CPR. SOME MEMBERS ALSO WENT TO MIDWEST ELECTRIC TRAINING, WHICH IS FREE EVERY YEAR.

CHIEF RADER THEN TURNED IN TWO RESIGNATIONS FOR BALICI LEE AND RYLEE MCCUITION. READ BY CHAIRMAN STOMBAUGH. BLAICI LEE REQUEST TO STAY PART-TIME WITH THE DEPARTMENT. LETTERS ATTACHED.

ADVERTISING WITH OHIO MEANS JOBS FOR EMPLOYEES.

ON JANUARY 28TH THEY HAD FOR STUDENTS FROM APOLLO JOB SHADOWING.

1402 HAS A SLOW OIL LEAK. IT WILL COST \$3000 IN LABOR FOR A \$500 PART AND WILL BE DOWN FOR TWO WEEKS. THE BOARD CHOSE TO TABLE THAT FOR NOW.

SIGNS FOR OHIO BLUE RIBBON ARSON INVESTIGATION CAME IN.

CHIEF RADER THANKED THE ROAD DEPARTMENT FOR KEEPING THE ROADS CLEARED. CREWS WERE SAFE.

TRUSTEE STOMBAUGH ASKED IF CPR TRAINING CAN BE PROVIDED FOR ALL PERRY EMPLOYEES. CHIEF RADER SAID WE CAN PLAN THAT.

GUESTS:

MAXINE HUBBARD – SHE LIVES ON 15TH STREET AND WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT GETTING A PERMIT TO BUILD A BARNDOMINIMUM AND OUT BUILDINGS FOR ANIMALS AND FEED. SHE OWNS PROPERTY ON EACH SIDE OF THE ALLEY THAT WAS HER DADS. SHE WILL SPEAK TO ZONING INSPECTOR, JOHN BREWSTER, AFTER THE MEETING.

TOM COULTER – HE LIVES ON AMHERST ROAD AND HAD A FIRE WITH MOSTLY SMOKE DAMAGE. THE INSURANCE COMPANY IS PROVIDING A CAMPER AS A TEMPORARY HOME. HE HAS LIVESTOCK AND WANTS TO BE ABLE TO STAY ON THE PROPERTY WHILE WORK IS BEING DONE ON THE HOME. PERRY WEBSITE PROVIDES FOR UP TO 6 MONTHS WITH THE BOARD'S APPROVAL, WHICH IS WHAT HE IS ASKING FOR. HE STATED THAT SERVICE MASTER STARTED THE CLEANING TODAY. THE RESIDENTS PUT THE FIRE OUT THEMSELVES FOR THE MOST PART. THE BOARD JUST ASKED FOR SOMETHING FROM THE INSURANCE COMPANY, STATING THEY WILL PICK THE CAMPER BACK UP AND WHEN.

MICHAEL GEE – HE IS WITH NELSON PACKAGING IN BATH TOWNSHIP. THEY HAVE LOTS OF COLD STORAGE AND ACQUIRED PROPERTY ON THAYER ROAD THAT THEY WANT TO PUT UP A POLE BARN FOR MORE STORAGE. HE HAS SPOKEN TO JOHN BREWSTER AND ASKED ABOUT SETBACKS.

ANDREW KLAUS – HE ASKED ABOUT THE EMERGENCY MEETING THAT WAS HELD YESTERDAY. CHRIS STATED THAT MEETING MINUTES ARE NOT DONE YET, BUT MOST OF THE MEETING WAS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND NO ACTION WAS TAKEN. IT WAS TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AND THE BUDGET.

TIM MYERS JR – HE TURNED IN A LETTER FROM AN UNNAMED EMPLOYEE. THEY WANT IT READ BY ALL THE TRUSTEES AT THE SAME TIME. TRUSTEE CLEMENTZ STATED THAT WE CAN'T GO INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO READ IT WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT IT IS IN REFERENCE TO, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO HAVE A REASON. TRUSTEE STOMBAUGH STATED THAT WE WILL RESEARCH BEFORE ACTING ON IT.

CHUCK WEIGT – HE THANKED THE ROAD CREW FOR THE PLOWING.

HE THEN ASKED ABOUT MICRO MANAGING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. TRUSTEE CLEMENTZ STATED THAT WE ARE MAKING SURE THAT MONEY IS BEING USED WISELY FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS. CHUCK ASKED ABOUT THE PURPOSE OF THE WORK HOUR CALENDAR. TRUSTEE CLEMENTZ STATED THAT IF WE ARE BUYING EQUIPMENT FOR THE OFFICERS BUT THEY DON'T PUT ANY HOURS ON THE ROAD, THEN WHY ARE WE SPENDING THAT MONEY? THEY SPOKE ABOUT THE AUXILIARY STAFF AND WHAT THEY ARE DOING BECAUSE OF TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT. AUXILIARY IS UNPAID, BUT THE BOARD WANTS TO KNOW WHAT EVENTS THEY ATTEND ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP.

RUSTY RUSH – HE LIVES ON AUGLAIZE ROAD. HE ALSO OWNS PROPERTIES ACROSS FROM RHODES STATE AND OHIO STATE – LIMA. HE HAS PLANS TO BUILD ADDITIONAL RENTAL PROPERTY FOR STUDENT HOUSING BEHIND THE TWO THAT HE CURRENTLY HAS. THE PROPERTY IS ZONED B-2. IT HELPS SUPPORT A USE PERMIT IF THERE IS A SIMILAR USE IN THE AREA. HE IS ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE, BUT HE NEEDS STATE APPROVAL. HE HAS MET WITH COUNTY WATER AND SEWER AND HE HAS MEET WITH THE SCHOOLS. ZONING INSPECTOR, JOHN BREWSTER, STATED THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO GET ALL NECESSARY PERMITS THROUGH THE STATE FIRST. HE HAS TRIED TO CONTACT AMERICAN TOWNSHIP FOR

INFORMATION FOR STUDENT HOUSING AT UNOH. TRUSTEE COX STATED TO REACH OUT TO DOUG DITTO WITH LIMA CITY PLANNING.

DAVE STOMBAUGH, JASON STOMBAUGH, MINDI COULTER, JIM CLEMENTZ, CASSIE BETTS, JASON SMEDLEY, JANET LAUF, CATHY CLEMENTZ

TRUSTEES:

TRUSTEE STOMBAUGH – IT HAS BEEN REPORTED FROM THE SNOW STORM ON SUNDAY THAT SOMEONE HAD WHAT APPEARED TO BE AN OLD STATE TRUCK WITH A PLOW. THEY WERE PLOWING ALONG SOME OF THE TOWNSHIP ROADS AND KNOCKED DOWN A LOT OF MAILBOXES. A PERRY POLICE OFFICER WAS OUT LOOKING FOR HIM. IF ANYONE HAS INFORMATION OR KNOWS WHO IT WAS, PLEASE LET THE POLICE DEPARTMENT KNOW. HANTHORN, AMHERST, AND SCHOOLER ROAD GOT HIT. CHIEF ITEN ASKED THAT IF ANYONE HAS DAMAGE, PLEASE REPORT IT SO HE CAN TURN IT THE REPORTS.

TRUSTEE CLEMENTZ ASKED ABOUT THE STOP SIGN THAT WAS TAKEN OUT ON AMHERST AND STATE ROUTE 65. RESIDENT JIM CLEMENTZ STATED THAT THE TEMPORARY SIGN THAT WAS PUT UP WAS FOR A 4-WAY STOP. IT COULD CAUSE AN ACCIDENT FOR SOMEONE UNFAMILIAR WITH THE AREA, MAY PULL OUT. TRUSTEE STOMBAUGH STATED THAT HE WILL CALL THE STATE AND LET THEM KNOW.

MOTIONS

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CORRECTED MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 20, 2026, 2ND FRANK CLEMENTZ.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

KEVIN COX MADE MOTION TO PAY BILLS OF \$193,124.32, 2ND SCOTT STOMBAUGH.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION TO PAY ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEERS \$6,703.29, 2ND KEVIN COX.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION TO PAY THE INVOICE TO MILLER AUTO FOR THE BRAKE WORK ON MEDIC TWO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,878.89, 2ND KEVIN COX.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

KEVIN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PERRY TOWNSHIP AND ALLEN COUNTY SOIL AND WATER DISTRICT AND PAY THEM \$3,100, 2ND SCOTT STOMBAUGH.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO RESCIND THE MOTION FROM THE MEETING ON DECEMBER 29TH, 2025, NAMING FRANK CLEMENTZ AS VICE CHAIR, 2ND SCOTT STOMBAUGH.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT KEVIN COX AS VICE CHAIR FOR 2026, 2ND FRANK CLEMENTZ.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – ABSTAIN, CLEMENTZ – YES

SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FROM DYLAN MOHR, 2ND KEVIN COX.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT TOBY WATSON AS CAPTAIN FOR A STIPEND OF \$400 PER MONTH AFTER 30 WORK HOURS PER MONTH AT THE REGULAR PAY RATE, 2ND FRANK CLEMENTZ.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF RYLEE MCCUISTION, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 5TH, 2026, 2ND KEVIN COX.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF BLAICI LEE, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 11TH, 2026, 2ND FRANK CLEMENTZ.

STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO REHIRE BLAICI LEE AS PART-TIME EMT AND VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER AT THE APPLICABLE RATE—2ND SCOTT STOMBAUGH.
STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES**

**KEVIN COX MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW A CAMPER TO BE PLACED ON THE PROPERTY AT 304 AMHERST FOR NO MORE THAN 6 MONTHS WITH A LETTER FROM THE INSURANCE COMPANY STATING THAT THEY WILL PICK IT UP—2ND SCOTT STOMBAUGH.
STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES**

**SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL AT 7:35 PM, 2ND FRANK CLEMENTZ.
STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES**

**SCOTT STOMBAUGH MADE A MOTION OT COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:50 PM, 2ND FRANK CLEMENTZ.
STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES
NO ACTION TAKEN PENDING LEGAL ADVICE**

**KEVIN COX MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:53 PM, 2ND FRANK CLEMENTZ.
STOMBAUGH – YES, COX – YES, CLEMENTZ – YES**