

Perry Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

September 17, 2024, 6:00 pm

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Miller. All Trustees were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome & Recognition of Invited Guests:

- a) Recognition of Eric Foutz's 18 years of service to the Perry Township Fire Department and our community
- b) Public Hearing ~ Accessory Solar Energy Systems.

Zoning Amendment: PE #1- 2024

This was reviewed by the Regional Planning Commission on August 6, 2024.

Proposed Text Changes: an amendment is proposed to Perry Township Trustees which would: add regulations pertaining to accessory solar energy systems

RPC Recommendation: Approval of a modification

Zoning Commission recommendation: the recommendations of the RPC were noted and language was modified in the original draft resolution during the public meeting

Public speaks in favor- None

Public Speaks against – None

Entertain Board Discussion: None

With no further Board discussion:

Trustee Miller made a motion to vote and approve text change PE#1-2024 for accessory Solar Energy Systems. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

Law Director Mathews said he will prepare a document which will be recordable format memorializing what action was taken tonight. The Township will have to wait as there is a 30-day waiting period for a reamendment to be submitted. After that time expires Law Director will give it to Administration and Zoning Inspector for it to be submitted.

Excused absence: None

Communications/Announcements Details are available at Perrytwp.com

- a) Rotary Community Parade & 10th Annual Perry Township Oktoberfest Sponsored by AQUA ~ Sat. September 21st Rotary Parade steps off at 11:30 am followed immediately by the Perry Township Oktoberfest from 12 pm to 3 pm at Edison Middle School~ 4201 13th St. S.W. Event details at Perrytwp.com
- b) Revised ~ Perry Yard Waste hours beginning September 11th. Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Services are funded by Stark Tusc. Wayne Recycling grant.
- c) The Fire Department is having 2 more planning committee meetings, the first one on October 2, 2024, from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. at Station 3. The second meeting will be held on October 26, 2024, from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. at Station 3. The public is welcome to ask questions.
- d) The Road Department is having 2 scheduled meetings to be held at the Perry Police Department in the lower-level community room. October 3, 2024, from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. and October 23, 2024 from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. The public is welcome to come and ask questions.

Additions/Deletions to Agenda – Roll Call by Department:

Fire: Renewal of Wichert Insurance Policy

Administration: None

Road: None

Police: None

Zoning: None

Law Director: Draft contract from V2 for IT services.

Fiscal Officer: None

Trustee DeChiara – None

Trustee Miller –

- a) Executive session under ORC 121.22 (G)(1) investigation of a complaint of a public employee
- b) Executive session under ORC 121.22 (G)(5) regarding matters to include the Law Director

Trustee Nelligan- executive session under ORC 121.22 (G) (1) regarding employment to include the Board, Chief Taylor, Zoning Inspector Whytsell, and Law Director

Public Speaks on Agenda Items Up for Action: None

Consent Agenda Items: None

Old Business:

- a) Discussion of STARCOM Dispatch Communication Center. The tentative start date would be October 28, 2024, at the rate of \$39.80 per call. Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Fire Department enter a contract with Stark County Sherriff's office for dispatch services effective October 28, 2024, in the amount of \$39.80 per call. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

- b) Update on No Parking signs on Wrexham Street. The Public Works Director confirmed that Zern has no signs, Leonard has no parking on both sides on school days, Westland & Stewart have "no parking signs," Locke St has no parking from 6p-11p on the west side, Harding has "no parking" Friday 6p-11p on the east side, Fairlawn has "no parking" Friday 6p-11p on left side Highland has "no parking" 6p-11p on the east side. PWD would suggest and ask the Board to approve "no parking anytime." The Police Chief is ok with that. PWD would recommend putting the No Parking sign on the east side only. Trustee Miller made a motion to install a "no parking" sign anytime on Wrexham between 12th Street and 13th Street on the east side of the street. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

New Business:

a) **Fire:**

- i) Consider creating a Fire Department Facebook Page. Chief Sedlock stated they would use the page to post events and training along with various pictures and nothing more than that.
- ii) Consider renewal of the Wichert Insurance supplemental policy. The payment is due October 7, 2024, and the policy starts on November 3, 2024. No action was taken.

b) **Police:**

- i) Consider approval of the annual maintenance agreement for Central Square in the amount of \$5,265.63. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve the annual maintenance agreement for Central Square in the amount of \$5,265.63. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

- ii) Consider a motion to approve the 2024-2025 Memorandum of Understanding for the OVI Task Force between the Stark County Sheriff's Office and the Perry Township Police Department. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 Memorandum of Understanding for the OVI Task Force between the Stark County Sheriff's office and Perry Township. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

c) Public Works:

- i) Consider approval of the Perry Park pickleball group to use the Perry Park garage for storage. Trustee DeChiara asked what was in the garage now, Public Works Director confirmed there was nothing. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve the Perry Park garage to be used by the Perry Pickleball Group. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

- ii) Consider creating a Perry Road Department Facebook page. Trustee Miller stated it will be taken into consideration.

- iii) Consider authorizing the removal of deteriorating bushes and trees around the Meredith Park building. Trustee Miller made a motion to remove the deteriorating bushes and trees around the Meredith Park building by the Road Department. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

iv) Consider updates on existing projects: Plymouth Knolls, Summerdale Park, and Roanoke sinkhole. Trustee Miller gave updates on the Parks. No action needed.

d) **Zoning:**

i) Consider abatement resolution at 3625 Hazelbrook St. S.W. Massillon. Trustee Miller made a motion to the abatement resolution at 3625 Hazelbrook St. S.W. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

ii) Consider abatement resolution at 313 Ingall Ave. N.W. Massillon. Trustee Miller made a motion to the abatement resolution at 313 Ingall Ave. N.W. Massillon. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

iii) Consider abatement resolution at 610 Orville St. N.W. Massillon. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve the resolution of the abatement at 610 Orville St. N.W. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

e) **Administration:** Consider obsolete items to be placed on the GovDeals auction site. Trustee Miller made a motion to list obsolete items to be placed on the GovDeals auction site. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

f) **Law Director: None**

g) **Fiscal Office**

i) Consider Pending Warrants for the week ending 8/27/24 for bills in the amount of \$24,817.36 the week ending 09/03/24 for bills/payroll in the amount of \$466,813.19 and the week ending 09/10/24 for bills in the amount of \$32,966.14 for a combined total of \$740,596.69. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes.

iii) Consider Bank reconciliations for August 2024. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept the August 2024 Bank reconciliation. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

iv) Consider meeting minutes for 07/02/24 special meeting, 07/02/24 regular meeting, 07/16/24 regular meeting. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept the 07/02/24 special meeting, 07/02/24 regular meeting, and 07/16/24 regular meeting. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

Trustees

1. Trustee Nelligan: None
2. Trustee DeChiara Jr.: None
3. Trustee Miller - none

Public Speaks:

David Kerestes

David Kerestes stated his address as 626 Walnut Ave. N.E. Canton, Ohio. David stated he wanted to come and talk about his childhood going through the public school in the district.

Executive Session

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Miller made a motion to adjourn into executive session at 6:52 p.m. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara.

Executive Session(s):

- a) ORC 121.22 (G) (1) employee matters to include the Board, Law Director, Administrator, and Police Chief
- b) ORC 122.22(G) (1) promotion of employee to include the Board, Law Director, and Police Chief
- c) ORC 121.22 (G) (1) employment matters Board, and Law Director, Police Chief
- d) ORC 121.22 (G)(1) Complaint
- e) ORC 121.22 (G)(5) V2

Adjournment:

The Board returned from the executive session at approximately: 9:48 p.m.

Trustee Miller made a motion to authorize the Administrator to place Employee A on FMLA leave, based on what the Board has regarding the employees' condition. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

Trustee Miller made a motion to give officer Ben Barrett notice of hearing and notice of charges. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Mr.DeChiara, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes.

With nothing further to come before the Board of Trustees, Trustee Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 p.m. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, yes. Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes

Matt Miller, President

Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer