

**Perry Township Board of Trustees
Special Meeting Session
July 2, 2024, 5:00 pm**

Call Meeting to Order

Trustee Miller stated the special meeting of the Perry Township Board of Trustees is called to order at 5:00 pm.

Discussion of the Fire Levy

Discussion was had on the two levies that are still out, they have 2.9 mill from 2020 to 2024 and 2 mill from 2015. It was brought up that if they were to renew the previous levy it would be \$698,000.

Chief Sedlock said we have 2 employees per shift and they would like to have 3 employees per shift per station. Chief Sedlock stated he is having difficulty finding applicants to fulfill that desire. Trustee DeChiara stated they could use the desire to have 3 per shift if the levy were to pass to appeal to residents.

Chief Sedlock said the cost of one employee is \$125,000 per year with salary and all necessary pre-employment testing. Trustee DeChiara suggested setting up a contract for recruits that they would agree to so many years of service with us paying the cost of schooling.

The suggestion was brought up to combine the two existing levies into one, they would ask for replacement of the 2.9 million and then ask for an additional 2 million rather than having two separate levies asking for replacement. We will replace the 2.9 million and the additional 2 million at a reduced rate. The other suggestion was to drop both levies and just create a new levy at 4.9 million.

No Action was taken.

Adjournment:

Trustee Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:54 p.m. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Matt Miller, President

Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer