



Perry Township Board of Trustees  
Reorganizational Meeting Agenda  
January 6, 2026, 6:00 pm

- 1) Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance by Trustee Miller
- 2) Invited Guest(s): Representative Matt Kishman
  - a) Swearing in of Trustees by Representative Matt Kishman
    - i. Matt Miller
    - ii. Lisa Nelligan
- 3) Excused Absences: None
- 4) Additions/Deletions to agenda
- 5) Reorganizational Matters Motions:
  - a) Appointment of Board President (M \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_)
  - b) Appointment of Vice President (M \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_)
- 6) Public Speaks on Agenda Items Prior to Action
- 7) Consent Agenda Items (*Please note that additional documentation for consent agenda items may be made available to the public upon request*). Consider a motion to approve items (a) through (v):
  - a) Approve 2026 Preliminary Appropriations Resolution
  - b) Establish 2026 annual compensation for Board and Fiscal Officer per ORC 505.24 and 507.09
  - c) Continue the current formula, practice and policy for public officials' health insurance benefits by extending health insurance plans to the public officials of the township equal to those determined by the collective bargaining agreements with employees
  - d) Re-appoint Jim Mathews from Baker, Dublikar, Beck, Wiley & Mathews as the Law Director
  - e) Re-appoint non-union staff members to include health insurance and other benefits, terms and conditions of employment equal to those determined by the collective bargaining agreements with employees or in the employee manual, including
    - Gerrie Cotter, Township Administrator
    - Larry Sedlock, Fire Chief
    - Jamie Gray, Deputy Fire Chief
    - Doug Woodyard, Fire Prevention Officer
    - Part-time firefighters:
      - Derek Furbee
      - Kimberly Justice
      - Gary Justice
      - Andrew Kendrick
      - Nick Abramson
    - Bryan Taylor, Police Chief,
    - Jason Fisher, Deputy Police Chief

- John Wellman, Public Works Director
  - Jeff Whytsell, Zoning Inspector
  - Bill Watson, Deputy Zoning Inspector/Parking Hearing Officer
  - Kim Robinson, Assistant Fiscal Officer
  - Cynthia Seybold, Assistant Fiscal Officer
- f) Establish a wage schedule and increases for all non-union bargaining unit staff members along with uniform reimbursement schedule
  - g) Authorize the Fiscal Officer to make HSA disbursements for collective bargaining staff, non-union staff and public officials employed as of January 1, 2026, based on their date of hire.
  - h) Authorize the Fiscal Officer to conduct advances from the General Fund as deemed necessary
  - i) Set monthly day and time for regular meetings to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6pm for 2026 and extending 121.22 (F) a rule for the Board for regular and special meetings/work sessions with agendas posted to the township website and Facebook pages
  - j) Approve receipt of all advances from county auditor on property taxes
  - k) Approve dispatching contracts for both Police and Fire with Starcom, at a rate of \$25,300 per month for Police and \$40.20 per call for Fire
  - l) Set 2026 mileage reimbursement rate per current IRS rates and the meal per diem rate to the current state of Ohio's per diem rate
  - m) Authorize Fiscal Officer to invest interim funds and conduct operational transfers within funds as available and necessary
  - n) Request Fiscal Officer set up capital accounts as planned by each department and approved by the Board
  - o) Renew membership to the Ohio Township Association CLOUT group for urban townships at a cost of \$200
  - p) Authorize Department Heads to use GovDeals.com or Central Ohio Recovery to dispose of outdated equipment and vehicles as appropriate in 2026 and in accordance with O.R.C. 505.10 to ensure the public has notice
  - q) Authorize revised fee schedules for Zoning, Roads and Fire Departments
  - r) Authorize blanket purchase orders for
    - Clemans, Nelson and Associates for HR services in the amount of \$50,000
    - Canton Data Print for newsletters and postage in the amount of \$60,000
    - V2 Technology in the amount of \$50,000
    - Stark County Tax Collection Services in the amount of \$150,000
    - Visual Edge IT in the amount of \$5,000 for Administration
    - Baker, Dublikar, Beck, Wiley & Mathews in the amount of \$75,000
    - Ohio Billing in the amount of \$85,000 for the Fire Department
  - s) Quote for painting the Police Department building from Resurrection Painting for \$9,980
  - t) Approve Fiscal's pending warrants in the amount of \$962,059.74 for December 2025
  - u) Approve Vehicle Abatement under RC 505.817 for 207 Genoa Ave NW Massillon, OH 44646
  - v) Approve filing proprietary liens for unpaid court fees for zoning violations under RC 504.08:
    - 2313 Saratoga Ave SW Caton, OH 44706, \$500.
    - 6950 Navarre Rd SW Massillon, OH 44646, \$500.
- (M \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_)

- 8) Old Business – None
- 9) New Business
  - a) Administration
    - i. Monthly report
  - b) Fire
    - i. Monthly report
    - ii. Grant check from the Ohio Department of Public Safety in the amount of \$2,642.84.
  - c) Police
    - i. Monthly report
  - d) Roads/Parks
    - i. Monthly report
  - e) Zoning
    - i. Monthly report
    - ii. Request motion to remove fee schedule from the Zoning Resolution
  - f) Law Director
  - g) Fiscal Officer
  - h) Trustees
    - i. Trustee Nelligan - None
    - ii. Trustee DeChiara Jr. - None
    - iii. Trustee Miller - None
- 10) Public Speaks (non-agenda topics)
- 11) Executive Session(s)
  - a) Approve executive sessions under:
    - ORC 121.22(G)(1) to discuss employment, compensation and discipline of a public employee.
    - ORC 121.22(G)(3) regarding imminent/pending litigation.
    - ORC 121.22(G)(8) to discuss confidential information related to specific business strategy of an applicant for economic development assistance where the information is directly related to the economic development assistance request.

(M\_\_\_\_2<sup>nd</sup>\_\_\_\_Vote\_\_\_\_)
- 12) Adjournment (M\_\_\_\_2<sup>nd</sup>\_\_\_\_Vote\_\_\_\_)