

**Perry Township Board of Trustees
Reorganizational Meeting
January 4, 2022 6:00 pm**

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Invited Guest(s):

Reorganizational Matters:

Appointment of Board President

Trustee Miller made a motion that the Board appoint Trustee Nelligan as our Board President for 2022;
Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

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

Appointment of Vice President

Trustee Nelligan made a motion that the Board appoint Trustee Miller as Vice President for 2022;
Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Establish 2022 Annual Compensation for Board and Fiscal Officer per ORC 505.24

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider establishing the 2022 Annual
Compensation for Board and Fiscal Office per ORC 505.24; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded
by Trustee Miller.

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

Establish a Wage Schedule for all Non-Union Bargaining Units

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider establishing a wage schedule for all
Non-Union Bargaining Units not including our part-time firefighters; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved.
Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

**Reappoint Personnel to Fiduciary and Non-Bargaining Unit Positions to Include Benefits, Terms and
Conditions of Employment**

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider reappointing personnel to fiduciary
and non-bargaining unit positions to include benefits, terms and conditions of employment; Trustee
Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider Authorizing the Fiscal Officer to do Advances from the General Fund as Deemed Necessary

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider authorizing the Fiscal Officer to do advances for the upcoming year; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Set Monthly Day and Time for Regular Meetings/Consider Work Sessions as an Allotted Time Period to Regular Meetings

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider to set the monthly Board of Trustee meetings for the first and third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm and then do Work Sessions as necessary beginning at 6:00 pm; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Approve Receipt of all Advances from County Auditor on Property Taxes

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider approving receipts of all advances from the County Auditor on our property taxes; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider Accepting the Approval of the 2022 Township Budget ~ \$20,095,973.27

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider accepting the approval of the 2022 Township Budget of \$20,095,973.27; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider Setting 2021 Mileage Reimbursement at 58.5 cents per mile per Current IRS Rates

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider setting the 2022 mileage reimbursement at 58.5 cents per mile per the current IRS rates; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved; Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Authorize Fiscal Officer to Invest Interim Funds and Conduct Operational Transfers Within Funds as Available and Necessary

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider authorizing the Fiscal Officer to invest interim funds and conduct operational transfers within funds as available and necessary; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved; Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Establish Rate of Reimbursement for Uniform Clothing Allowance for Non-Union Personnel Limited as Follows:

- 1. Police Chief - \$1,200.00**
- 2. Road Superintendent and Assistance Road Superintendent - \$500.00**
- 3. Establish uniform allowance for fire chief and deputy chiefs to be equal to employees of collective bargaining units - \$750.00**
- 4. Zoning Inspector and Assistant and Assistant Zoning Inspector - \$500.00**
- 5. Township Administrator - \$500.00**

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider Establishing the Rate of Reimbursement for Uniform Clothing Allowance for Non-Union Personnel. Trustee Nelligan stated so moved; Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider Utilizing GovDeals.com Auction Site for Calendar Year 2022

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider to utilize GovDeals.com as the Townships auction site for the calendar year 2022 for sale of township property; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider quarterly HSA deposits remain the same as previous years

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider the quarterly HSA deposits remain the same as previous year; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider affirming and ratifying video service provider

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider affirming and ratifying video service provider; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider authorizing the township administrator to proceed with Actuarial Report for 2021

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider authorizing the township administrator to proceed with Actuarial Report for 2021; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Departmental Reports:

Excused Absence:

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

SR172 and Perry Drive Street Scape Financial Obligations for Certification

Superintendent Masalko proposed to the Board to consider SR172 and Perry Drive Street Scape financial obligations for certification on this project with ODOT. Fiscal Officer Chessler explained that the previous Board discussed this project which is an ODOT project at the intersection at SR172 and Perry Drive. The Township was intervened and requested to have some modifications and upgrades primarily with holes, lighting and decorative poles. ODOT asked the township to approve a letter acknowledging that Perry Township is accepting the quoted bid prices and costs of this project. Superintendent Masalko stated the decorative poles and the colors of the poles will be lined along Perry Dr. and in the amount \$15,810.00. Fiscal Officer Chessler stated this is not approval of the payment but just the acceptance of the bid. Superintendent Masalko stated that we need to encumber the money. Trustee Nelligan stated her understanding was that the previous Board accepted this bid. Fiscal Officer Chessler relayed there was some discussion from the previous Board concerning the cost and that it came back with an increased cost. Superintendent Masalko stated this is a project he would hate not to participate in with the Stark County Engineers. Superintendent Masalko wants to make sure our poles are the color that the township wants. Superintendent Masalko stated if we don't participate, we will get galvanized poles. The previous Board suggested matching up pole colors in other parts of the township.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider to approve sending the letter which would accept the bids as they require; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Public Speaks: Scheduled Speakers:

Communications:

Public Speaks on Items Up for Board Approval:

Township Business Requiring Board Action:

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Fiscal Officer:

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider accepting pending warrants of bills for the week ending December 7, 2021 in the amount of \$233,360.26 and bills and payroll for the week ending December 14, 2021 in the amount of \$358,401.45 and bills for week ending December 28, 2021

in the amount of \$1,077,134.75 for a combined total of \$1,879,560.76. Trustee Nelligan stated so move; Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider Approving Regular Meeting Minutes of 12-7-21 and Special Meeting Minutes of 12-15-21

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 12-7-21 and Special Meeting Minutes of 12-15-21; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Addition to Agenda

Receipt of the Plakas, Mannos Law Firm

Trustee DeChiara added to the agenda that the Township Board of Trustees recognize the receipt of the records of Plakas and Mannos investigation report.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Board consider approving the receipt of the records of Plakas and Mannos investigation of the charges between Administrator Martin and Chief of Police, Mike Pomesky. Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed the motion to the Board; Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

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

Administration:

Consider Ohio EPA – Environmental Protection Agency Annual Discharge Fee in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Fiscal Officer Chessler stated each year Township is required by the EPA to pay a discharge permit fee in the amount of \$1,500.00. This is an unfunded mandate where the townships are required to pay to the EPA to meet our requirements under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider to approve the payment that the Township is required by the EPA to pay a discharge permit fee in the amount of \$1,500.00. Trustee Nelligan stated so move; Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Fire Department:

Consider resignation of William Bentley PT Fire/Medic

Fire Chief Sedlock requested the Board to consider accepting the resignation of part-time employee William Bentley. Effective date of Mr. Bentley's resignation is January 4, 2022.

Consider resignation of Sage Ward PT Fire/Medic

Fire Chief Sedlock requested the Board to consider accepting the resignation of part-time employee Sage Ward. Effective date of Sage Ward's resignation is December 14, 2021.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider approving both resignations of part-time employees, William Bentley and Sage Ward; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider renewal of Aladtec Scheduling Program in the amount of \$4,591.91

Fire Chief Sedlock requested the Board consider renewal of Aladtec Scheduling Program. The program is a one-year contract. This program is utilized for scheduling all of the fire department members.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider approving the renewal contract of Aladtec Scheduling Program in the amount not to exceed \$4,591.91; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider renewal of CENCOM Communications Dispatching Contract at a rate of \$36. Per call.

Fire Chief Sedlock requested the Board consider renewal of CENCOM Communications Dispatching Contract at a rate of \$36.00 per call. Fire Chief Sedlock stated the price per call that was paid in 2021 will remain the same for 2022.

Trustee DeChiara stated he did not want to participate with CENCOM. He stated the fire department should be with the same dispatch company that Stark County and the Police Department contract with. He believes we can still get out the contract. Chief Sedlock stated we have 30 days to cancel the contract. Chief Sedlock stated that the previous Law Director reviewed and approved the contract with CENCOM.

Fiscal Officer Chessler stated he agrees with Trustee DeChiara on this point. Fiscal Officer Chessler explained that the previous board had a discussion considering a proposal and reviewed the contract. Fiscal Officer Chessler asked Trustee DeChiara that he thought he was going to gather up the information concerning the dispatch contract. Fiscal Officer Chessler asked him if this is still an advantage as to do this for the Board? Trustee DeChiara stated It was set up however, it was pushed back for several reason and we can review this again.

Fiscal Officer Chessler stated we have looked at this contract when there was a big push for County wide dispatching and uniform system of dispatching and radio communications system. Fiscal Officer Chessler stated our township has looked at this contract several times as efficiency, cost and being part of a larger county wide system. Trustee Nelligan asked Fiscal Officer Chessler if a decision has to be made because the contact is expiring? Fiscal Officer Chessler stated yes., the board has done this in the past and put in the provision that we can get out of the contact with proper notice.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider approving the renewal contract with CENCOM Communications Dispatching Contract at a rate of \$36.00 Per call. Fire Chief Sedlock stated the price per call that was paid in 2021 will remain the same for 2022; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, no

Police Department:

Consider Replacement of four (4) Workstations from Virtual Data Works at a cost of \$4,314.94

Chief Pomesky asked the Board to approve replacements for four (4) workstations within the police department. Total expenditure to purchase the hardware is \$4,314.94 through Virtual Data Works. The workstations being replaced are the three located in processing for the patrol officers and one in the Sergeant's Office.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider approving the replacement of four (4) workstations from Virtual Data Works at a cost of \$4,314.94; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Road and Park Department:

Consider approval of Saratoga Ave. S.W. Reconstruction Improvements ~ Pay request #1

Superintendent Masalko stated the Saratoga Ave. S.W. Reconstruction Improvement Project of resurfacing and drainage improvement is complete. The Chagrin Valley Paving Inc. was the contractor for this project.

The project was funded through the Ohio Department of Development Grant in the amount of \$288,724.00 and Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Jobs and Commerce grant in the amount of \$50,000.00. Perry Township's local in-kind reasonability road district Fund 11 is in the amount of \$111,276.00 which will come from the Road Fund. At this time our responsibility is to pay the request in the amount of \$431,580.00 to Chagrin Valley Paving, Inc. and then notify the Ohio Department of development and ODOT jobs and commerce to be refunded back to the Township. Once this is paid, we ask for the refund from the Stark Economic Development Board which was the grant funding we applied for.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider approving to pay the requested amount of \$431,580.00 to Chagrin Valley Paving, Inc. and then notify the Ohio Department of development and ODOT jobs and commerce to be refunded back to the Township. Trustee Miller asked if there was a time limit on reimbursement? Fiscal Officer Chessler and Road Superintendent Masalko were not sure at this time; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Addition to Agenda

Acknowledge and Accept the letter of Resignation from Law Director Charles Hall

Trustee Nelligan made a motion that the Board consider to add to the agenda the Acknowledge and Acceptance of the letter of Resignation from Law Director Charles Hall.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider adding to the agenda that the Board Accept the letter of Resignation from Law Director Charles Hall; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider Acceptance of the Resignation of Law Director Charles Hall

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider to enter into the records a letter dated January 3, 2022 from Charles D. Hall of Hall Law Firm addressed to Ms. Lisa Nelligan, Mr. Matt Miller, Mr. Ralph DeChiara and Mr. Craig Chessler. This letter has been received by the Board and a motion that the Board consider to accept the letter of resignation as it is stated. Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider accepting the letter of resignation from Law Director Charles Hall. Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider approval of Road Deicing Sale Purchase in the Amount of \$257,590.00

Road Superintendent Masalko stated every year the road department comes to the Board of Trustees to ask to create a purchase order for the purchase of road deicing salt. This 2022 season bid price came in at \$72.00 a ton. This also includes elevation in to the salt dome. Superintendent Masalko is asking the Boards approval in the amount of \$257,590.00 to be used for the vendors of Cargill, Inc. deicing technologies and DRS services for salt purchase and elevation.

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider approving the road deicing sale purchase in the Amount of \$257,590.00; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Zoning:

Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:

Administration:

Fire Department:

Police Department:

Road Department:

Parks/Recycling:

Zoning:

Law Director:

Announcements:

Executive Session(s):

ORC 121.22 (G) (1) Discuss of employment to include the Board of Trustees

Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board adjourn into Executive Session under ORC 121.22 (G) (1) Discussion of employment to include the Board of Trustees; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at: 6:47 pm

The Board adjourned from Executive Session at: 7:52 pm

Trustee Nelligan made a motion that the Board of Trustee's hire James Matthews, Esq. as our law director pending references; Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Adjournment:

With nothing further to come before the Board, Fiscal Officer Chessler proposed a motion that the Board consider to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm; Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Lisa Nelligan, President

Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer