

**Perry Township Board of Trustees
Informational Meeting 6:15 pm
Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
September 19, 2017**

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Trustee Chessler called the meeting to order and welcomed invited guests from the county and safety forces and thanked them for attending tonight's meeting. Trustee Chessler indicated that they were here this evening to share updated information on the county effort of transitioning to the Marks radio system and to also explain how we might be able to join that and purchase the 800 radios. Trustee Chessler welcomed Commissioner Smith and Sheriff Maier and asked if Sheriff Maier would please introduce the gentlemen with him this evening as well.

Sheriff Maier introduced the guests with him this evening, Chief John Oliver and Major Darryl Anderson, a consultant for the Sheriff's Department regarding the countywide radio upgrade and the merger with Marks as well as Administrator, Derrick Loy. Sheriff Maier stated that they appreciated the opportunity to speak tonight and hoped to be able to answer some questions.

Trustee Chessler indicated that Major Anderson was here previously to explain the expectations and things that were going to happen with the radio communication system. Trustee Chessler asked Major Anderson if he would update them on this matter and what Perry Township can do. Trustee Chessler stated that he thinks he can speak for the Board and safety force department heads that we are committed to taking this opportunity to join the Marks system and would like to look at the opportunities available to get the radios and finding the funding to do that.

Sheriff Maier stated that he felt the best thing for Major Anderson to outline was to go where we've been and where we have yet to go and then how that would impact the Township.

Major Darryl Anderson gave detailed explanation regarding the county efforts of transitioning to the Marks radio system and took questions concerning this matter.

Trustee Chessler thanked Major Anderson, Sheriff Maier and all in attendance for being here to share this information this evening.

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Trustee Chessler called the regular meeting to order and welcomed everyone to this evening's meeting. Trustee Chessler indicated that this was a bit of a late start tonight since there was a previous discussion regarding radios.

Excused absence: John Masalko, Park and Road Superintendent; Chris Young, Assistant Road Superintendent here in his absence

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

Communications:

Public Speaks on items up for Board Approval: None.

Township Business requiring Board Action: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Trustee Chessler made a motion to approve bills in the amount of \$24,639.24 for the week ending 09/12/17 and bills and payroll in the amount of \$172,541.31 for the week ending 09/19/17 for a combined total of \$197,180.55; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Fiscal Officer:

Administration:

Fire Department:

2017 Ohio Fire Service Instructor of the Year Award

Trustee Chessler stated that on behalf of the Board, he would like to make an announcement of recognition for our Fire Chief, Mark Martin. Trustee Chessler read aloud a notification:

The firefighter and fire safety inspector training committee, along with the Ohio Department of Public Safety Division of emergency medical services takes great pleasure in announcing that our Chief Martin has been selected as a recipient of the 2017 Ohio Fire Service Instructor of the Year Award.

Trustee Chessler stated that we are announcing this tonight and we are recognizing Chief Martin with this great award and added that he is glad to do this in front of the family and friends of those who will be joining our ranks tonight. Trustee Chessler stated that we have a Chief that we put in high regard and are very proud of. Trustee Chessler stated that Chief Martin will be formally recognized this Thursday at the Division of the State Fire Marshal office on East Main Street in Reynoldsburg, Ohio where he will be presented with the 2017 Ohio Fire Service Instructor of the Year Award. (applause)

Consider Hiring Part-Time Personnel

Trustee Chessler stated that he is pleased to recognize and invite the people who will be joining our ranks tonight to step forward to administer the Oath of Office. Trustee Chessler asked if each of the part-time firefighters would raise their right hand, repeat after him and state their name:

1. Daniel Tomasch
2. Jeff Riggs
3. Daniel Courtney Jr.
4. Matt Weiland
5. Heidi Knight
6. Jackie Hickman
7. Adam Wagner

I, _____, do solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Ohio, the charter ordinances and resolutions of Perry Township, Ohio, the rules and regulations, standard operating guidelines, standard operating procedures and policies of Perry Township Fire Department and I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties of Firefighter of the Perry Township Fire Department and this I do as I shall answer unto God~

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board hire the above named part-time firefighters as part-time firefighter/EMT's; they have taken the Oath to comply with the Township resolutions and federal state laws; they will be required to follow and complete all current requirements based on probationary members; they will be afforded all benefits currently applicable to part-time employees and their hire date will be today, effective Tuesday, September 19, 2017; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Consider Emergency Repairs to Medic Unit

Trustee Chessler stated that Chief Martin has provided the Board with a memo dated September 15, 2017 regarding emergency repairs to Medic 35. Trustee Chessler asked if Chief Martin would please detail this matter.

Fire Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting the Board of Trustees authorize an emergency expenditure of \$3,899.25 to Progressive Chevrolet for a re-manufactured transmission and installation of Medic 35. Chief Martin indicated that although the re-manufactured transmission cost of \$500.00 is greater than a re-built transmission, the re-manufactured transmission came with an 18 month warranty as opposed to a 12 month warranty; the decision to replace the transmission was based on the recommendation of the vehicle maintenance personnel.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board ratify the emergency expenditure based on the facts and circumstances provided by the Fire Chief in an amount of \$2,899.25 to Progressive Chevrolet; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Consider Contract with Lexipol

Fire Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees authorize the Fire Department to enter into an annual subscription agreement with Lexipol for the development of a Perry Township Ohio Fire Policy Manual and integrated Daily Training Bulletin at the annual cost of \$6,831.90 for one (1) year. Chief Martin detailed:

- Lexipol is America's leading provider of state-specific policy management resources for fire organizations.
- Lexipol is a yearly subscription service that will allow for yearly upgrades and training in department policy as laws change and/or our needs change.
- The contract will allow for all fulltime and part-time personnel to participate in the program.

Chief Martin also indicated that Law Director Hall has reviewed and approved the contract.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that based on the Chief's request, the Board enter into an agreement for use of subscription material with Lexipol at a cost not to exceed \$6,831.90; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Consider Resignation of Hunter Johnston

Trustee Chessler stated that Fire Chief Martin has submitted to the Board, by memo of September 15, 2017, a letter submitted to him, of the same date, from Hunter Johnston, a current member of the Fire Department. Trustee Chessler indicated that Mr. Johnston has informed the Board that as of September 14, 2017, he is tendering his resignation from the Perry Township Fire Department. Mr. Johnston extended his thanks for the opportunity, resources and knowledge gained since employment, wishes the best for the department and indicated that it was an honor to work for Perry Township.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept that letter of resignation; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Consider Purchase of Smoke Alarms

Fire Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees authorize the purchase of (1122) Kidde Worry Free 10 Year Sealed Photoelectric Smoke Alarms from the Massillon Lincoln Way East Home Depot at a cost not to exceed \$15,034.80. Chief Martin detailed:

- The Fire Department was awarded \$64,000.00 by FEMA to install a minimum of 4000 smoke alarms over a two year period.

- In the first year of the grant, the Fire Department has installed over 2800 smoke alarms; the installation cycle for the second year has started and the Fire Department needs to purchase additional smoke alarms to fulfill the requirements of the grant.
- The Home Depot provides the lowest price per detector at \$13.40 per detector. The original purchase of smoke alarms was provided by The Home Depot Store.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the quote from Home Depot and authorize the purchase of smoke alarms at a cost not to exceed \$15,034.80; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Police Department:

Road and Park Department:

Consider Acceptance of the 0.184 Acre Canton Baptist Temple Drainage Easement

Trustee Chessler indicated that this is in connection with our 4th Street/Pleasant Hills project which is underway and asked if Law Director Hall would apprise the Board of the need and scope of this drainage easement.

Law Director Hall stated that this will give us the ability to install some pipe on the Canton Baptist Temple property; it will address the current issues and hopefully eliminate some of the flooding on the south end of 4th Street. Mr. Hall indicated that the Board has previously seen this, it has been approved and he is asking the Board to approve this as well.

Trustee Chessler verified that noting as it is written (Public Storm Water Drainage Easement Agreement) all three members will sign. Mr. Hall confirmed yes.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board approve and execute a public storm water easement entered by and between the Township and Canton Baptist Temple Company; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Law Director Hall verified of Fiscal Officer Schlegel that if he may have the original of this agreement, he will record this and return it back for the records.

Law Director: None.

Zoning: None.

Executive Session(s):

Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:

Administration: None.

Fire Department: None.

Police Department: None.

Road Department: None.

Parks/Recycling: None.

Zoning: None.

Law Director: None.

Public Speaks-Open Forum: None.

Announcements: None.

Adjournment:

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Haines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 pm; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Chessler, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes.

Craig Chessler, President

Joe Schlegel, Fiscal Officer