

Perry Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

April 17, 2018 7:00 pm

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Excused absence: -Fire Chief Mark Martin, Meeting with Ohio Congressional Representatives and Senators in Washington DC; Deputy Chief Sedlock here in his absence; -Administrator Joyce Fetzer

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

Jennifer Kiko, Community Relations – CommQuest – Presenting a Thank You Card to First Responders

Trustee Haines welcomed Jennifer Kiko, Community Relations Specialist for CommQuest Services. Trustee Haines stated that Ms. Kiko was here this evening to present a thank you card to all first responders of the Perry Township Fire, EMS teams and Police Departments.

Ms. Kiko stated her appreciation for the opportunity to be here tonight to thank the Perry Township Police, Fire and EMS teams for the people that they save each and every day. Ms. Kiko indicated that they had forwarded a video from some of their clients in recovery stating their thanks for the sacrifices made in saving their lives. Ms. Kiko also stated that though it was a small token, wanted to present a thank you card from many of the CommQuest staff members to represent a very big thank you and their appreciation to all first responders of the Perry Township Police and Fire Services.

Communications:

Electric Aggregation Information Posted to Township Website

Trustee Haines stated that he wanted to indicate that the Electric Aggregation information was posted to the Township website for residential informational purposes.

Public Speaks on items up for Board Approval: None.

Township Business requiring Board Action: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Trustee Haines made a motion to approve bills in the amount of \$35,660.72 for the week ending April 10, 2018 and bills and payroll in the amount of \$154,331.87 for the week ending April 17, 2018 for a combined total of \$189,992.59; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Fiscal Officer:

Administration:

Consider Accepting Stark Tusc Wayne Yard Waste Host Site Block Grant in the Amount of \$16,856.00

Trustee Haines stated that this matter was discussed at a previous meeting and it was indicated that the Stark Tusc Wayne Yard Waste Host Site Block Grant would be given to Perry Township to resume the yard waste program; there will be new changes to the schedule regarding days and hours.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board accept the Stark Tusc Wayne Yard Waste Host Site Block Grant in the amount of \$16,856.00 for the first half of that grant; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Fire Department:

Consider the Swearing in of Six (6) Part-Time Members of the Fire Department

Trustee Haines stated that he would read the names of our new Part-Time Firefighters and ask each of them to come forward:

**Briar Burgy
Jordan Robinson
Tyler Marchand
Chris Johnson
Alyssa Cope
Tabitha Benson**

Trustee Chessler asked each individual to please raise their right hand and repeat the following oath:

I, _____ do solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States, The Constitution of the State of Ohio, and the charter ordinances and resolutions of Perry Township, Ohio, the Rules, Regulations, Standard Operating Guidelines, Standard Operating Procedures and policies of the Perry Township Fire Department and I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties of Firefighter of Perry Township Fire Department and this I do as I shall answer unto God.

On behalf of the Board, Trustee Haines extended congratulations to the new part-time firefighters and Trustee DeChiara welcomed them to the Department. Deputy Chief Sedlock also welcomed these individuals to the Department and stated that they hoped to make their time here very successful and would do whatever they could to help them achieve that.

Trustee Haines stated that he would also ask each of the new employees to print, sign and date their names on the paperwork before them and would turn this in to Fire Chief Martin upon his return for notarization.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board hire, as part-time employees, Briar Burgy, Tabitha Benson, Alyssa Cope, Christopher Johnson, Tyler Marchand and Jordan Robinson as part-time employees; they shall comply with all the Township resolutions, state and federal laws relating to the

total and average hours allowed to work per year and they will be required to follow and complete all the current requirements placed on probationary members; they will be afforded all benefits currently applicable to part-time employees; their hiring is effective today, upon their swearing in and they will be compensated at the current rate of compensation for part-time employees at \$12.50 per hour; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Consider IAFF Step II Grievance

Trustee Haines referred to Law Director Hall and Local 3960 Union President Adam Reiger regarding this Step II Grievance. Mr. Reiger requested that this matter be heard in Executive Session. Trustee Chessler verified that this was the Grievant's choice; Law Director Hall confirmed this and added that any decision would be included in the public meeting after the Grievance was heard.

Trustee Haines inquired if before going into the Executive Session, the Board could address the Agenda items under the Road Department.

Police Department:

Road and Park Department:

Consider Hiring of Part-Time Seasonal Employee Jared Rippl

Road Superintendent Masalko stated that Jared Rippl came highly recommended to fill a part-time position that is open in the Park Department. Mr. Masalko indicated that a background check, license background check and drug and alcohol test were completed with no violations. Road Superintendent Masalko indicated that he recommends that the Board hire Jared Rippl at \$10.50 an hour to start on April 23rd, not to exceed 1500 hours in one given year, 28 hours a week.

Trustee Haines asked if there was any discussion regarding this hiring consideration; Trustee DeChiara verified that since all background checks were done with no violations, all should be okay.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board hire Jared Rippl as a part-time seasonal employee for the Park Department at \$10.50 per hour, not to exceed a total of 1500 hours per year with a hire date of April 23, 2018; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Consider Accepting the Retirement of Dale Lake Effective April 30th

Road Superintendent Masalko indicated that Dale Lake has been the Chief Mechanic for the Road Department for 30 years, spending countless hours working on equipment. Mr. Masalko stated that Dale will be greatly missed and hard to replace and indicated that with regret, asks the Board to accept his resignation letter, effective April 30, 2018. Trustee Haines also expressed the Boards' regret and agreed that Dale has been a huge asset to the Township.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of Dale Lake, effective April 30, 2018; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Consider Accepting the Retirement of Harvey Zimmerman Effective April 30th

Road Superintendent Masalko stated that the second retirement is Harvey Zimmerman who has been with the department for 13 years. Mr. Masalko stated that Harvey has been a great asset to the department and he will be greatly missed and asks the Board to accept Harvey's retirement, effective April 30, 2018. Trustee Haines again expressed the Boards' regret and relayed what a great guy Harvey is with a great demeanor.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of Harvey Zimmerman, effective April 30, 2018; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board add, under the Road Department, the Agenda item captioned: Safety Improvements at Road Department; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Safety Improvements at Road Department

Road Superintendent Masalko gave a brief explanation regarding the safety improvements at the Road Department, similar to the safety improvements that were done at the Administration office; installing an alarm system, panic buttons and surveillance. Mr. Masalko indicated that Pro Tech's bid came in at \$3,729.98 and referred to the attached quotes before the Board. Also referenced, Cee-B Glass quote of \$3,071.12.

Trustee Haines asked if there was any discussion regarding this matter. Trustee DeChiara inquired if the programming and software management would be coming out of here (Administration office). Road Superintendent Masalko stated that from what he understands, it is supposed to all be linked together.

Trustee DeChiara verified that as far as programming the fobs, the Administration office would manage the access of the program that Pro Tech supplies. Trustee Haines gave a brief explanation regarding the fobs and programming of them through the Administrator at the Administration office. Road Superintendent Masalko indicated that he would make sure this was confirmed. Fiscal Officer Schlegel relayed that the Board did have the option to take this out of the General Fund.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board approve the proposal from Pro Tech's security systems for safety improvements at the Road Department and authorize the payment to Pro Tech of their invoice in the amount of \$3,729.98 and to Cee-B Glass for their invoice in the amount of \$3,071.12 for a combined total of \$6,801.10 from the General Fund; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Law Director:

Zoning:

Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:

Administration: None.

Fire Department: None.

Police Department:

February Statistics

Road Department: None.

Parks/Recycling: None.

Zoning: None.

Law Director: None.

Announcements:

~Rain Barrel Workshop hosted by Perry Township and Stark Soil and Water on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 6:00 TO 8:00 pm. Visit www.perrytwp.com for details.

~Perry Township Clean-Up Day – Saturday, April 21, 2018 at: 1500 Jackson Avenue SW, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Public Speaks-Open Forum: None.

Executive Session(s):

ORC 121.22 (G) (3) Galica pending litigation status update with no action to be taken to include the Board, Fiscal Officer, Law Director and Road Superintendent

ORC 121.22 (D) (2) Auditor Inquiry of April 6, 2018 to include the Board, Fiscal Officer, and Law Director

ORC 121.22 (8) Economic Development Assistance to include the Board, Fiscal Officer and Law Director

Trustee Haines inquired if all of the Executive Sessions could be done at one time or had to be done separately. Law Director Hall confirmed that they could be done together and suggested the addition of 121.22 (G) (2) union negotiations, union discussions in the Executive Session at the request of the Grievant.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board adjourn into Executive Session to include the Board, Fiscal Officer, Law Director and as needed, the Grievant from the Fire Department matter and the Road Superintendent with no action to be taken under respectively, 121.22 (G) (3) for the pending litigation status; 121.22 (D) (2) for the discussion of the auditor's inquiry; 121.22 (8) for the economic development assistance; and 121.22 (G) (2) for the Fire Department grievance; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

Trustee Haines indicated that the Fire Department grievance would be first.

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

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at: 7:27 pm

The Board adjourned from Executive Session at: 8:36 pm

Adjournment:

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Haines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Doug Haines, President

Joe Schlegel, Fiscal Officer