

Perry Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

February 19, 2019 7:00 pm

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Excused absence:

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

Swearing In of Daniel Courtney

Trustee Chessler stated that at this time we will swear in part-time firefighter Daniel Courtney. Trustee Chessler asked Daniel to please step forward, raise his right hand, state his name and repeat the following oath:

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

Trustee Chessler indicated that Daniel's signature would be needed for the Oath of Office and Certificate. The Board of Trustees extended their congratulations.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board hire Daniel Courtney as a part-time firefighter and Dan shall comply with all township resolutions, state and federal laws related to the total average hours allowed to work per week and year; Dan will be required to follow and complete all the current requirements placed on probationary members and will be afforded all benefits currently applicable to part-time employees; the starting wage of \$13.25 per hour; hiring date is effective today, Tuesday, February 19, 2019; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

5 Minute Recess

Five-Minute Recess

Executive Session(s):

ORC 121.22 (G) (1) Personnel to Include the Board, Fiscal Officer, Fire Chief and Law Director

Trustee Chessler indicated that the Board will move the Executive Session up to this recess period; Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board adjourn under Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (1) to discuss a personnel matter to include the Board, Fiscal Officer, Fire Chief and Law Director; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at: 7:04 pm

The Board adjourned from Executive Session at: 7:10 pm

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 \$52,126.91 for the week ending January 12, 2019 and bills and payroll in the amount of \$719,448.19 for the week ending February 19, 2019 for a combined total of \$771,575.10; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Fiscal Officer:

Consider Accepting 1-8-19 Regular Meeting Minutes

Trustee Chessler stated that the Board has, as part of its supporting documents, the minutes from the reorganizational meeting of January 8, 2019 and inquired if there were any edits or corrections to those meeting minutes.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board approve the minutes as submitted; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Administration:

Consider GovDeals Auction Items

Administrator Fetzer indicated on February 15, 2019, the Board of Trustees were provided description forms and photos pertaining to department wide items which have been identified by each department head to be of no value to the township's current operations.

Administrator Fetzer relayed that the Department Heads are seeking approval from the Board to place the proposed items on the township's digital auction site, GovDeals.com.

Trustee Chessler relayed to Law Director Hall that he wanted to verify that we were in compliance with the sale of public property, and we would, with our motion, determine that it is no longer necessary for township use and that we have authorized the giving of advance notice by publication for this to be done and further authorize the items to be sold at the auction through the GovDeals. Mr. Hall confirmed that was correct.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board, with regard to all of the items that are listed in the supporting documents and contained in the files here, items that specifically list township property, that the Board determine that those items are collectively no longer needed for township purposes and the Administrator has taken the steps necessary to provide for notice, by publication, in advance of the sale, and will make a motion further that we authorize the sale of all of those items, through the process known as GovDeals.com; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Fire Department:

Consider Hiring Daniel Courtney as Part-Time Firefighter

Consider Accepting Resignation of Part-Time Firefighter Alex Busby

Fire Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of Alex Busby effective Tuesday, February 19, 2019, letter of resignation attached before the Board.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of Alex Busby effective today, Tuesday, February 19, 2019; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Consider Memorial Day Weekend Opening Ceremony

Fire Chief Martin indicated that Steve Toohey, also here this evening, had approached him indicating that he was looking for someone to assume the overall responsibility of the Memorial Day weekend opening ceremonies held at Perry High School. Chief Martin indicated that Mr. Toohey would still be involved with the placement and display of the flags in the front yard of the high school and was willing to assist in any way. Chief Martin briefly explained the significance behind the opening ceremonies for the Township Memorial Day festivities and stated that he is requesting that the Board consider the Township accepting that responsibility.

Each Board member shared their unanimous support; Trustee Chessler indicated that with Steve's assistance, along with the hopeful support of other community resources such as Rotary and the schools, the Township would like to be an equal partner.

Trustee Chessler verified of Law Director Hall if a motion was necessary in this matter; Law Director Hall confirmed no and indicated that regarding these events and any expenditures that would incur, could be addressed case by case.

Steve Toohey stated that he wanted to thank Chief Martin for picking this up and going with it and the Board for accepting the duty and charge of the Memorial Day opening ceremonies. The Board thanked Steve for his dedication regarding this matter.

Consider Extension of Salary Continuation

Trustee Chessler stated that the Board had an opportunity to discuss this matter in Executive Session and made a motion for discussion purposes that the Board agree to extend the current salary continuation benefits to firefighter paramedic Shawn Nelson for a period up to and including March 17, 2019 or upon receipt of a release to return to work from the cardiologist, whichever occurs sooner; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Police Department:

Consideration Resignation of Ryan Salasek

Trustee Chessler inquired of Chief Pomesky if he would please address this resignation matter.

Police Chief Pomesky indicated that he received the resignation of Ryan Salasek, attached before the Board, effective February 12, 2019 and is asking for the Board's consideration of this resignation. Chief Pomesky stated that the interviewing process has been initiated to fill this now vacant position at the Police Department.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of Ryan Salasesk from the Perry Township Police Department effective February 12, 2019; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Road and Park Department:

Law Director:

Zoning:

Problem Properties:

Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:

Administration: None.

Fire Department: None.

Police Department:

January Stats

Road Department: None.

Parks/Recycling: None.

Zoning: None.

Law Director: None.

Announcements:

~Visit www.perrytwp.com and view Save the Dates for Perry Township Community Calendar 2019.

~Ohio Division of Liquor Control Notice of Fat Daddy Co 126 Gnau Ave. SW, Perry Twp. Massillon, Ohio requesting new liquor permit #2670450 – Responses must be postmarked no later than 03/18/19.

Trustee Chessler verified of Law Director Hall regarding the revised copy of the Petition for Amendment Certification, provided to the Board. Mr. Hall indicated that the Board had previously approved that and stated that he had received it from the union representative yesterday and have amended it to include the relevant information. Trustee Chessler indicated that this was previously on the Agenda and approved by the Board.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board authorize the Law Director to approve and submit a Petition for Amendment and Certification to the State Employment Relations Board in connection with our discussion to add our Road Mechanics; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Public Speaks-Open Forum: None.

Adjournment:

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Chessler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Craig Chessler, President

Joe Schlegel, Fiscal Officer