

Perry Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

March 5, 2019 7:00 pm

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Excused absence: Mark Martin, Fire Chief

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

Lawrence D. Wilhelm ~ Veteran of US Air Force

Trustee Chessler welcomed Larry Wilhelm this evening to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Chessler gave some brief background information; Mr. Wilhelm was born in Massillon, Ohio and attended Jackson High School, Grades 1-12; Larry joined the Air Force in March of 1963 and was discharged in March of 1967, he retired from American Electric Power after 35 years of service and marked his 15th year of service on the Perry Township Board of Appeals.

On behalf of the Board, Trustee Chessler thanked Larry for being here and presented him with a flag and display case as a token of appreciation for his dedicated service to our country. Trustee Chessler also thanked Larry for his service to the Township. Mr. Wilhelm stated his thanks to the Board.

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 \$211,470.67 for the week ending February 26, 2019 and bills and payroll in the amount of \$307,266.47 for the week ending March 5, 2019 for a combined total of \$518,737.14; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Fiscal Officer:

Consider Accepting February 5th and 19th Regular Meeting Minutes

Trustee Chessler indicated that the Board received copies of the proposed minutes from the meetings that were on February 5th and February 19th, 2019, both Regular Meetings. Trustee Chessler inquired if there were any additions or corrections; seeing none, made the following motion.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the minutes from the February 5th and February 19th, 2019 meetings as submitted; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Administration:

Consider Annual Aggregation Registration Application

Trustee Chessler referenced this Agenda item and indicated that we received this information from our broker that assists us with our electric aggregation program; this includes an authorization form that we must complete to allow them to act on our behalf as well as a proposed letter that will come from Independent Energy Brokers but will include our township logo as well; this letter explains to the residents their options as far as staying in the program or opting out; we have been asked to review these documents and to give the approval to execute the annual Aggregator Registration Application as well as the proposed letter.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board authorize Joyce Fetzler, Administrator, to execute and return the annual Aggregator Registration Application; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Consider Distribution of Opt-out Electric Aggregation Mailer

Trustee Chessler also indicated that the Board will ask Administrator Fetzler to notify Independent Energy Brokers that the letter they propose to send out to the residents is acceptable in its form and substance.

Fire Department:

Consider Resignation of Briar Burgy

Consider Resignation of Savva Gyparakis

Consider Resignation of FT Fire/Medic Victoria Carafelli

Trustee Chessler welcomed Deputy Chief Sedlock here tonight in the absence of Fire Chief Martin and referenced the above-stated resignation considerations. Deputy Chief Sedlock gave a brief explanation regarding these three resignations and indicated that Briar Burgy and Savva Gyparakis were both part-time employees and Victoria Carafelli was a full-time employee of the Fire Department. Trustee Chessler indicated that he would make separate motions for each of these referenced employees.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the resignation request of Briar Burgy for his service with the Perry Township Fire Department to terminate as of January 8, 2019; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept a letter of resignation from Savva Gyparakis effective February 25, 2019; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of fulltime Fire Medic Victoria Carafelli effective March 6, 2019; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Consider Giving Full-Time Hiring Examination

Deputy Chief Sedlock stated that the last thing that the Fire Department has for the Board to consider is the scheduling of a full-time fire medic hiring examination. Deputy Chief Sedlock referenced Chief Martin's March 1, 2019 email to the Board that indicated that the Fire Department did not have a current list of candidates to replace full-time fire medic Carafelli and was requesting that we move on by having these hiring examinations to create another list to choose from for possible candidates and extend a list for any future hiring.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board authorize the Chief, on behalf of the Fire Department, to schedule a full-time Fire Medic hiring examination; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Police Department:

Conciliation Status

Trustee Chessler inquired of Law Director Hall if there was any comment regarding this Conciliation Status; Law Director Hall indicated that he had just received this on Friday and that it has been distributed to the Chief, the Fiscal Officer and the Board and when the Board was ready, would need to discuss implementing that process. Trustee Chessler indicated that they would take that under advisement.

Road and Park Department:

Law Director:

Zoning:

Problem Properties:

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.

Announcements:

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

~Rotary Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 13, 2019 – 10:00 am to Noon at Perry Career & Wellness Center and PHS Stadium Continental Breakfast, Coloring Contest, Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bunny.

~Perry Rotary Patriots Parade and Patriots in the Stadium, Saturday, May 11th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Sponsored by Rotary and AQUA.

Public Speaks-Open Forum: None.

Trustee Haines indicated that he wanted to recognize a State Champion that he spotted in the audience tonight. Trustee Haines stated that he did not mean to put him on the spot, but asked if Joe Mullen, Canton Central Catholic high school senior would step forward to share this accomplishment. Joe Mullen stated that he was pretty excited to win the (2019 OHSAA Division II) State Swimming Championship in the 50-yard freestyle. The Board members congratulated Joe on this outstanding achievement and Joe relayed his appreciation.

Adjournment:

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Haines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Craig Chessler, President

Joe Schlegel, Fiscal Officer