

Perry Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

September 3, 2019 6:00 pm

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Major Rebecca L. Clark ~ Ohio Army National Guard

Trustee Chessler welcomed Major Rebecca L. Clark this evening to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Chessler gave a brief detail of Major Clark's dedicated service and military background.

On behalf of the Board, Trustee Chessler thanked Major Clark for joining us here tonight and presented her with a flag/display case as a token of appreciation for her dedicated service.

Major Clark thanked the Board for this opportunity and also gave a brief explanation of her current military duties, Casualty Notification and Assistance Officer. Major Clark again expressed her appreciation to the Board.

Trustee Chessler stated that Chief Martin has requested that we make an announcement here tonight that the Perry Township Fire Department personnel will be at the Perry Sippo Branch Library on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 from 9 am to Noon; Fire and EMS apparatus will be present for public viewing. "In Honor" flag lapel pins will be free to anyone who wants one.

Trustee Chessler also stated that we have information tonight about the pre-game celebrations on the Alumni Patio this week, Friday, September 6th; the Perry Local Staff Appreciation night; join us in celebration for the beginning of the year; that is from 5-7 pm at the new Wellness Center on the patio.

Excused absence: Charles Hall, Law Director

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Trustee Chessler indicated that there were a couple of matters that came up since the Agenda was finalized and distributed, one of which was to add an item that Chief Pomesky had previously requested that the Board consider tonight regarding the drug use prevention grant award. Trustee Chessler stated that Chief Pomesky is calling upon the Board to accept that grant tonight; he has provided a copy of the memo and some documentation in hard copy form.

Trustee Chessler made a motion to add that on the Agenda under the Police Department; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

Consider Quotes 2019 Striping of Various Township Roads 6:00 pm

Trustee Chessler stated that we had previously announced that we would be accepting quotes for Striping of Various Township Roads until 6:00 pm tonight.

Fiscal Officer Schlegel read aloud the four (4) quotes received:

1. American Roadway Logistics \$16,393.10
2. Ogelsby Construction, Inc. \$25,245.84
3. J.D. Striping \$23,712.10
4. A & A Safety, Inc. \$32,805.00

Trustee Haines referenced the quote by American Road Logistics being considerably low in comparison to the other three quotes and inquired of Road Superintendent Masalko if we could be assured that they would be using the same quality paint and materials; Road Superintendent Masalko confirmed that he would verify this information.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept and acknowledge the bids that have been received and additionally made the motion that the Board table the bids for further consideration and review by the Law Director and Road Superintendent; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

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 \$182,663.55 for the week ending August 27, 2019 and bills and payroll in the amount of \$327,437.82 for the week ending September 3, 2019 for a combined total of \$510,101.37; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Fiscal Officer:

Consider Accepting 08/20/19 Meeting Minutes

Trustee Chessler indicated that the Board has in its supporting documents, the minutes that were drafted memorializing the August 20, 2019 meeting and inquired if there were any changes or edits to those; seeing none, Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the August 20, 2019 meeting minutes for our Regular Meeting of that date; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Administration:

Consider Accepting Quote for Fence Replacement at Central Catholic

Trustee Chessler stated that the next item on the Agenda is in regard to an email and a quote from Southway Fence Company concerning fencing in the area where the soccer fields are located near Central Catholic High School. Trustee Chessler asked if Trustee Haines would please give more detail regarding this matter since he was a little more familiar with the background surrounding this request.

Trustee Haines gave a brief summary regarding the fence that goes from the tennis court clear back to the softball fields at the Central Park near Central Catholic High School that is in heavy disrepair. Trustee Haines indicated that Mr. Winkhart, who is very involved in different things at Central Park reached out to Southway and got a quote for this fencing replacement.

Trustee Haines made a motion that we go with Southway Fence Company for labor and material to remove all the green coated chain-link fabric, replace with new black permafused fabric, add bottom tension wire, replace double gate and hardware, replace one (1) line post, replace all fittings with new black coated fittings for a total not to exceed \$9,890.00; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Consider Purchasing Cloud Security for Office 365 from Virtual Data Works

Trustee Chessler stated that the next item involves a memo of August 30th to the Board of Trustees regarding a Cloud Email Security Package upgrade.

Administrator Fetzer indicated that recently an administration account was compromised due to a phishing attack and additionally, relayed that this situation can be avoided in the future by the utilization of the recommended email security package upgrade through our IT specialists, Virtual Data. Administrator Fetzer relayed that this upgrade includes a one-time setup fee of \$1,000.00 and ongoing fees would be \$15.00 per month for twenty-five (25) users or \$4,500.00 annually.

Trustee DeChiara indicated that he would prefer to table this matter for tonight until more information could be obtained especially since this would be an ongoing Township expense. Administrator Fetzer inquired if the Board would want to consider having our IT representative, Dan Jackson attend our next Regular meeting to make a presentation to the Board to answer any questions regarding this upgrade. Additional discussion took place regarding this matter.

Trustee Chessler indicated that our next Regular Meeting is on September 17th and made a motion that the Board will table this matter until that time; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Fire Department:

Consider Provident Insurance Renewal

Trustee Chessler indicated that Fire Chief Martin has submitted for the Board's consideration, a memo of August 28th requesting the Board of Trustees to authorize the 2nd installment payment to the Provident Insurance Group for a supplemental insurance policy provided to all firefighting members of the department. Trustee Chessler relayed that this is the 2nd installment of a 3-year policy; it provides

additional coverage for all firefighting personnel and this policy is for the term of November 3, 2019 to November 3, 2020; the installment amount is not to exceed \$3,727.00 to the Provident Insurance Group.

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

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

Police Department:

Consider Accepting Drug Use Prevention Grant

Trustee Chessler stated that the memo from Chief Pomesky says the Attorney General's Office has awarded the Police Department \$15,061.28 for the 2019-2020 Drug Use Prevention Grant; these funds are used to help pay the salary of the D.A.R.E. officer and the request is to ask the Board to accept the grant and comply with the terms of the grant program.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board do just that; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

Trustee Chessler asked Chief Pomesky if there was anything else we need to know about this grant; Chief Pomesky indicated that the funded amount is less than what we asked for and further relayed that there has been a higher request statewide for these program funds so they funded everyone, to his knowledge, 65% of their requested amounts.

Trustee Chessler inquired of Chief Pomesky how or if this would affect the department's expected budgeted amount; Chief Pomesky indicated that he felt they would be able to adjust accordingly.

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

Road and Park Department:

Consider Hiring Part-Time Seasonal Employee for Parks/Recycling – Kyle Evans

Trustee Chessler stated that the Road Superintendent is asking the Board to consider hiring Kyle Evans as a part-time employee for the yard waste site at the Road Department; he will be paid \$10.50 an hour and not to exceed 1500 working hours within the year. A driver's license background check came up with no violations; his drug test came back negative. Trustee Chessler indicated that Road Superintendent Masalko is asking for the Board's approval to have him start tomorrow, September 4, 2019.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the information contained in this memorandum is the start rate of pay and hour restriction being adopted and that the Board authorize the hiring of Kyle Evans; Seconded by Trustee Haines. Trustee Chessler added that this is at \$10.50 an hour with no more than 1500 working hours within a year starting September 4, 2019.

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

Road Superintendent Masalko inquired of the Board if he could refer back to the striping consideration; Trustee Chessler asked if the September 17th meeting would be pushing the matter; Road Superintendent Masalko confirmed yes. Trustee Chessler indicated that the Board would then revisit

this matter on the Agenda; that the Board consider that the motion was to table the bids for further consideration and review. Trustee Chessler stated that we have done that before to get conditional approval upon the review and approval of the Law Director, that they are in compliance with the bid specifications. Trustee Chessler indicated to Road Superintendent Masalko that this would be with him and Law Director Hall to identify the lowest and best bidder.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board give conditional approval to contact the successful bidder or contractor and move forward with the road spec; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

Trustee DeChiara confirmed that Road Superintendent Masalko would check for the specs on the quality of materials so as to compare apples to apples; Mr. Masalko confirmed yes.

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

Law Director:

Zoning:

Problem Properties:

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:

~Saturday, September 21st – Join us for the 6th Annual Perry Township Community Parade from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. Keith Nutter, AQUA Director is the Grand Parade Marshal! Immediately following the parade, we will celebrate the 6th Annual Perry Township Oktoberfest from Noon to 3:00 pm at Hartwick Park – Food, Fun & Fellowship for all to enjoy! Perry Township Community Events are sponsored by AQUA

~Nixle Alert System free to community members is now available by texting 888777 and entering perrytwpoh – view additional information at www.perrytwp.com

~Perry Township Fire Department personnel will be at Perry Sippo Branch Library on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 from 9 am to Noon; Fire and EMS apparatus will be present for public viewing ----
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~Meet the Township Day – Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Marc’s Plaza from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm

Public Speaks-Open Forum:

Adam Reiger, 2903 Bailey St. NW – Mr. Reiger referenced the Nixle Alert System information and indicated that he would be happy to offer his services regarding any cyber security aspect, if ever necessary. Mr. Reiger stated that he works for a defense company as a counter intelligence specialist and that he would be an easy resource for any explanations in that area, if needed. Trustee Chessler stated his thanks to Adam.

Sandy Ramos – Ms. Ramos stated she had a concern regarding the yard waste, tires and an old chair that was left at the Southway recycling station and inquired if the company that takes care of collecting the recycling was concerned about receiving all this extra junk.

Trustee Haines indicated that the Township works with the Stark/Tusc/Wayne Waste District concerning our recycling stations and gave a brief explanation regarding the recycling and yard waste. Road Superintendent Masalko indicated that there was a possibility that grant funding for surveillance cameras at the Southway recycling station would be available and added that he could make inquiry into this matter.

Adam Reiger Step II Grievance Hearing

Trustee Chessler stated that he would reference an August 14, 2019 memo to the Board; a matter came up in the Fire Department involving firefighter, Adam Reiger; it resulted in a disciplinary action to be considered; it has gone through the preliminary steps and stages of the grievance process as outlined in the Collective Bargaining Unit; it is now at the step where the Board has scheduled it for hearing tonight in our open session. Trustee Chessler stated that he has discussed this with Adam Reiger who is present in the audience and it is his call to whether he wants this to be heard in open session or Executive Session. Trustee Chessler indicated that the preference is Executive Session.

Executive Session(s):

Trustee Chessler made a motion that pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G) (3) the Board of Trustees, Fiscal Officer and Fire Chief, along with Adam Reiger, will adjourn to Executive Session to consider this grievance; there may be action taken at the end of the Executive Session, but there will be no further action taken on any other matters of Township concern tonight; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at: 6:36 pm

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

Trustee Chessler indicated that the Board is adjourned from the Executive Session; we have reached an understanding after taking statements and arguments from both sides and Adam Reiger has allowed me to represent that he will consent to the time limit to make a decision be extended until September 17th at our next Regular Meeting; he waives the time requirements until that time for the Board to make a decision; the Board wishes to further take this matter under advisement and not render a decision

tonight, gather more information and discuss this with the Law Director and Fire Chief and will come to a decision on or before that day.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board take no further action tonight and continue this hearing or decision until the next Regular Meeting; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Adjournment:

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Haines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 pm; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

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

Craig Chessler, President

Joe Schlegel, Fiscal Officer