

**Perry Township Board of Trustees**

**Regular Meeting**

**October 20, 2020 6:00 pm**

Trustee DeChiara called to order the Perry Township Board of Trustees meeting at 6:33 pm and indicated that the Board would reconvene the Regular Meeting at this time; Trustee DeChiara stated that we have completed our Police Department Service Recognition Ceremony which began at 6:00 pm at Fire Station #3.

**Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Pledge of Allegiance – Veteran John P. Wellman**

**Public Speaks: Scheduled Speakers:**

**Excused absence:** - Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer; Assistant Fiscal Officer, Cindy Seybold here tonight in his absence.

**Additions/Deletions to Agenda:**

**Public Hearings/Invited Guests:**

**Police Department Service Recognition Ceremony**

**Communications:**

**Public Speaks on items up for Board Approval:**

**Township Business requiring Board Action:**

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:**

Trustee DeChiara stated that the Board will consider the approval of bills and payroll in the amount of \$626,759.10 for the week ending October 6, 2020 and bills in the amount of \$43,956.49 for the week ending October 13, 2020 for a combined total of \$670,715.59; so moved by Trustee Haines; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

**Fiscal Officer:**

**Consider Amended Certificate**

Assistant Fiscal Officer Seybold indicated that the Fiscal Office is asking the Board to consider making a motion to approve the Amended Certificate regarding the Federal Cares Act money received on October 9, 2020 in the amount of \$1,009,937.77 which was appropriated to the Local Coronavirus Relief Fund; if

approved by the Board, Fiscal Officer Chessler will hand deliver this Amended Certificate to the Stark County Auditor's office the week of October 26, 2020.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Board accept the third round of the CARES Act money for \$1,009,937.77; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

**Consider Bank Reconciliation  
Consider Appropriations Report**

Assistant Fiscal Officer Seybold indicated that the Fiscal Office is asking the Board to consider making a motion to approve the bank reconciliation for September 2020; the only adjustment listed is for the interest earned in September.

Additionally, Ms. Seybold stated that the Fiscal Office is asking the Board to consider making a motion to approve the Appropriation Status Report as of September 30, 2020 which shows all of the Township's funds along with the unencumbered balances for each fund.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board approve the bank reconciliation and also the tax appropriation report for September; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

**Consider 10/06/20 Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board approve the meeting minutes from October 6, 2020; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

**Administration:**

**Fire Department:**

**Consider Emergency Repair Bill for Medic 5**

Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees authorize the payment of \$3,860.49 to Schoner Chevrolet for emergency repairs to Medic 5. Chief Martin referenced his memo to the Board with supporting documents regarding this emergency repair.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Board approve the emergency payment the Fire Chief made to Schoner Chevrolet in the amount of \$3,860.49 for the repair of Medic 5; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

**Consider Resignation of Part-Time Firefighter Tabitha Benson**

Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of part-time firefighter Tabitha Benson effective Tuesday, October 20, 2020. Chief Martin

indicated that Tabitha moved to Minerva several months ago and was commuting back and forth, but it just became too cumbersome for her so she elected to resign.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of Tabitha Benson from the Fire Department, effective Tuesday, October 20, 2020; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

**Police Department:**

**Road and Park Department:**

**Law Director:**

**Zoning:**

**Consider Court Action**

Zoning Inspector Cugini referenced his memo of October 16, 2020 to the Board as well as the supporting documents, requesting the Board's approval for Law Director Hall to file court action against the landowner of 2471 Carr Ave. SW. Mr. Cugini stated that this property has been a problem for quite some time, as far back as 2011, and indicated that this property is in dire need of clean-up.

Trustee DeChiara stated that based on the documents submitted by our Zoning Inspector, Tim Cugini, and the history of this property, made a motion that we authorize Charlie Hall, our Law Director, to file a court action of 2471 Carr Ave. SW; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

**Problem Properties**

**Executive Session(s):**

**Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:**

**Administration:**

**Fire Department:**

**Police Department:**

**Road Department:**

**Parks/Recycling:**

**Zoning:**

**Executive Session(s):**

**Law Director:**

**Announcements:**

~Yard Waste Site at 1500 Jackson Ave. SW, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday -- 8 am to 4 pm.

~Perry Township is hosting "Operation Christmas Spirit 2020" – Help A Hero! There is a Special Red/White/Blue Veterans Christmas tree in our lobby recognizing our Perry Veterans, past and present. Feel Free to deliver a gift card of any type to be given to Perry Township Veterans for their service to our great country. Visit [www.perrytwp.com](http://www.perrytwp.com) for details.

~Perry Township Trick or Treat will be recognized on Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 3:00-5:00 pm.

**Adjournment:**

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee DeChiara made a motion to adjourn the meeting (at approximately 6:43 pm); Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

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Ralph DeChiara Jr., President

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Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer