

**Perry Township Board of Trustees**

**Regular Meeting**

**September 20, 2022 7:00 pm**

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

**Welcome/Invited Guests**

**Claudia Cuellar~Community Service Recognition**

Danielle Paciorek from the Perry Township Police Department stated that the department unanimously agreed that a particular Township business owner, has gone above and beyond to assist a member of the Police Department over the past years. Claudia Cuellar and her siblings now own and operate El Campensino's Restaurant after her father, Jose Cuellar, passed in 2020. Claudia has always aided and assisted Perry Township Officers with language barriers among Hispanic community members. Claudia Cuellar has been readily available for officers of each shift, no matter what time day or night, and accommodating to those in the Hispanic community needing assistance. Claudia Cuellar has not only displayed professionalism and dependability when needed but gone above and beyond in her community.

Officers of the Perry Township Police Department would like to recognize Claudia Cuellar for her effort and ongoing dedication to the Hispanic and Perry Township communities. Claudia Cuellar is currently in school to become a nurse and continues to be a kind, compassionate, and caring person.

**Excused Absence:**

Craig Chessler – Fiscal Officer  
John Masalko – Road Superintendent

**Additions/Deletions to Agenda Call by Department:**

Zoning Inspector Whytsell asked the Board to add to the agenda a Central Ohio Recovery Bill for Abatement.

**Public Hearings/Invited Guests:**

**Communications:/Announcements**

1. Perry Township Trick or Treat Hours~Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm to 5:00pm

**Public Speaks on Agenda items up for Action:**

**Unfinished Business**

**Department Agenda Items (Information/Action Items)**

**Administration:**

**Road Department:**

Assistant Road Superintendent Chris Young gave a status update on the paving program. He indicated that Shelly Paving Co. will start paving from the middle to the end of October with Jackson Avenue. Assistant Road Superintendent Chris Young asked Shelly Paving Co. to also do the allotment off Jackson Avenue since they will be in that area, weather permitting. Shelly Paving Co. indicated that next year paving will start in the middle of April to the beginning of May till completed.

**Park Department:**

**Zoning:**

**Central Ohio Recovery Bill for Abatement of Mollane Parcel #4301550**

Zoning Inspector Whytsell he is asking for approval from the Board to pay Central Ohio Recovery, Inc., for all abatement fees associated with the Mollane Parcel, in the amount of \$5,277.49. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated that Central Ohio Recovery, Inc. was contracted to abate all items on this parcel after the original ORC 504.06 was approved by the board to issue a citation. This was with the understanding the abatement of the parcel would commence at a future date upon failure by the owners to respond. Zoning Inspector Whytsell continued to inform the Board of all that was done at that location and what the status of the property is currently.

Trustee DeChiara asked what the best procedure will be to recover the township's cost. The Board discussed Attorney General, lawsuit, or collection agency. Law Director Mathews stated the township could use any of these options. Trustee DeChiara suggested to the Board that they move forward with the Law Director to start a collection. Law Director Mathews indicated that starting with a lawsuit first would be recommended.

Trustee Nelligan made a motion to approve the billing for Central Ohio Recovery, Inc., for all abatement fees associated with the Mollane Parcel, in the amount of \$5,277.49. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes

**Police Department:**

**Consider Central Square's quote for EmergiTech Software in the amount of \$7,223.39**

Acting Police Chief Guist requested the Board to approve the annual maintenance agreement with Central Square. This is for the EmergiTech Software which includes: Police Records Software, New World CAD, Trancite Interface License, and Police Records Remote Access Software. The annual subscription is from December 1, 2022 – November 30, 2023. The total expenditure amount is \$7,223.39. Trustee Nelligan asked if there is any negation with the agreement. Chief Guist stated he will look into this.

Trustee Nelligan made a motion to approve an annual maintenance agreement with Central Square for EmergiTech Software in the amount of \$7,223.39 for the subscription from December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes

**Fire Department:**

**Consider renewing Lexipol contract in the amount of \$8,140.96**

Chief Sedlock stated to the Board, the Fire Department is utilizing the Lexipol program to create policies to move the department forward as well as provide structure and guidance. Therefore, Chief Sedlock recommended a renewal of the Lexipol contract for the amount of \$8,140.96.

Trustee Nelligan made a motion to approve the Lexipol contract for the amount of \$8,140.96. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes

Chief Sedlock stated to the Board that he would like them to be informed that a resident anonymously donated kits to the fire department for Autistic children. Chief Sedlock showed the kits to the Board and explained the contents of the kits. Also, the Fire department teamed up with Motorcycle Advantage Harley for a Teddy Bear Run. This utilized pediatric patients to comfort them in their time of need. There were donations of \$350.00. When the check is received it will be donated to Perry Helping Perry.

Chief Sedlock stated to the Board that all the Fire Fighters have been doing an outstanding job of working an additional number of hours and filling shifts. Especially our full-time personnel has worked several additional hours. He is very proud of them for stepping up in their time of need. He commends all the firefighters for helping and taking care of our residents.

**Law Director:**

**Noise Nuisance and Dog Nuisance status updates**

Law Director Mathews stated the township has a series of Resolutions already in place which regulate noise and provide an enforcement mechanism. There are four provisions in place adopted under the Township's Limited Home Rule Authority. The latter Resolution serves to amend the prior Resolutions. The section relating to music was expanded to include loud music "on a street... audible 100 feet from the device generating the sound". The fine schedule was unchanged from HR94-3. A final Resolution adopted on June 6, 2000, adjusted the fine schedule to \$50.00 for the first violation, \$200.00 for a second violation, and \$250.00 for each subsequent violation. Law Director Mathews stated to the Board that they may wish to consider augmenting these existing regulations.

Trustee DeChiara asked Law Director Mathews questions concerning the regulation of Dog Control. There were discussions on Direct Control which shall mean that the dog is within sight and hearing distance of the owner, keeper, harbored, or individual having charge of said dog, and that the dog will promptly respond to obedience commands. The Dangerous dogs, Vicious dogs, Nuisance dogs, Police dogs, and Assistance Dogs descriptions were discussed.

**Fiscal Officer:**

**Consider Pending Warrants**

Fiscal Officer Chessler stated the following: Week ending 9-6-22 for bills/payroll in the amount of \$182,958.79 and week ending 9-13-22 for bills in the amount of \$112,446.02 for a combined total of \$295,404.81

Trustee Nelligan made a motion to approve the pending warrants Week ending 9-6-22 for bills/payroll in the amount of \$182,958.79 and week ending 9-13-22 for bills in the amount of \$112,446.02 for a combined total of \$295,404.81. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes.

**Consider approval of Bank Reconciliation for August, 2022**

Fiscal Officer Chessler asked the Board to accept the Bank Reconciliation for August 2022.

Trustee Nelligan made a motion to accept the Bank Reconciliation for August 2022. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes.

**Consider accepting July and August 4<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes**

Fiscal Officer Chessler asked the Board to accept the Special meeting minutes for August 4<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Nelligan made a motion to accept the Special meeting minutes for August 4<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.  
Seconded by Trustee Miller.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes.

**Board of Trustees Updates –**

**Problem Properties:**

**Executive Session(s):**

1. ORC 121.22 (G) (1) to discuss dismissal and personnel topics to include the Board, and Law Director

Trustee Nelligan made a motion that the Board adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G) (1) Seconded by Trustee Miller.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at: pm

The Board adjourned from Executive Session at: 8:10pm

**Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:**

**Administration:**

**Fire Department:**

**Police Department:**

**Road Department:**

**Parks/Recycling:**

**Zoning:**

**Law Director:**

**Announcements:**

**Public Speaks-Open Forum:**

Frank Meyers

Frank Meyers stated his address as Perry Township. Mr. Meyers discussed with the Board the rising costs of food prices. He wants to grow his whole yard as a garden and would like to know if he is permitted to do so. Mr. Meyers indicated he knows that he is not permitted to raise chickens on his property. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated he would like to discuss these issues with him at another time.

**Adjournment:**

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Nelligan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm; Seconded by Trustee

ROLL CALL: Ms. Nelligan, yes. Mr. Miller, yes. Mr. DeChiara, yes.

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Lisa Nelligan, President

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Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer