

Perry Township Board of Trustees

May 2, 2023

Work Session 5:00 pm

Regular Meeting 6:00 pm

Work Session:

The press has been provided appropriate notice of the work session per ORC requirements

Call Meeting to Order

Trustee Nelligan called the meeting to order and adjourned into executive session ORC (G)(1) session to discuss "My H.R. Company" for consulting purposes.

Trustee Nelligan adjourned into executive session at 5:00 pm.

Adjournment:

For information purposes only. No action taken

Regular Meeting:

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Public Speaks: Scheduled Speakers:

Excused absence:

1. Law Director Mathews

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Administrator Martin stated she would like to remove number 1 under Administration from the agenda "Ohio State Local Project agreement for H.B. 687 Capital Improvement Community Recreation Project at Meredith Park" until the May 16, Board of Trustee Meeting.

Trustee Miller added to the Executive Session to include the Board, and Police Chief to discuss personnel issues under ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss personnel issues to include the Board, Law Director, and Police Chief.

Trustee DeChiara would like a discussion on the video stream at the Township.

Trustee Nelligan would like to add an Executive Session to include the Board, Police Chief to discuss personnel issues under ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss personnel issues to include the Board, Law Director, and Police Chief. Trustee Nelligan also would like to do an update on the Perry Township businesses advisory committee.

Communications:

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

Public Speaks on items up for Board Approval:

Township Business Requiring Board Action:

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Administration:

Road and Park Department:

2023 Perry Road Paving Project status update

Anthony Davide, Public Works Director gave an update on the paving project. He indicated the project started on April 19, 2023. Shelly Company has two crews that are working on the project. Shelly Company is working with one crew between Woodlawn and Whipple Ave. They started at Aurora St and Ambrose Ave, Miles, Tioga St and will work north towards 12th St. The other areas, he indicated, are working between Perry Drive and Woodlawn. They started on Fromm Ave. Saratoga Ave., Cayuga Ann Ave, and will also be working north towards Monticello St. Anthony Davide, Public Works Director stated unfortunately, the weather doesn't look good for the next 7 days which may slow down our paving. He also relayed that Shelly Company may work the weekend to catch up. Anthony Davide, Public Works Director indicated that the response from the residents has been positive.

Trustee Miller asked that when it was posted in the newsletter that the roads were to be paved there was some documentation left off. Anthony Davide, Public Works Director stated this will be corrected.

Trustee Nelligan asked Administrator Martin if there could be any communication that could be put out maybe on Facebook. Administrator Martin stated she would put something on the Township website. Trustee DeChiara asked Anthony Davide, Public Works Director to confirm that he is developing a 2023 paving list. Anthony Davide, Public Works Director stated they are in the process. He will be in contact with Shelly Company as things go along and if they have anything extra that maybe could be added on and they will have an idea where the township will go with this. This is a continuation of 2022.

Trustee Nelligan thanked Anthony for his update.

Zoning:

Resolution: 2023-

Consider a resolution to abate nuisance property at 4615 Pleasant Hills Rd NW

Zoning Inspector Whytsell asked the Board to adopt resolutions 505.871 and 505.87 to proceed with the abatement of the nuisance property located at 4615 Pleasant Hills Rd NW Canton, Ohio 44708. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated that pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.871, the Board of Trustees can determine that the vehicles, generally described as follows inoperable, partially disassembled

vehicles located on the property located at 4616 Pleasant Hills Rd NW is/are junk motor vehicles(s). Also hereby ordered to abate, control or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris, especially the conditions of pallets toilets, sinks, bags of trash, fence panels, appliances, and tires. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated the owner of the land was hereby ordered to remove the junk motor vehicles. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated that if such motor vehicles were not removed or if provision for its abatement or removal is not made within fourteen days after service of the notice, the board may remove or cause the removal of the vehicles. Zoning Inspector Whytsell any expenses incurred by the Board in performing this task will be entered upon the tax duplicate and will be a lien upon the lands from the date of entry. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated to Trustee Miller that there were 3 verbal communications with this resident.

Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Resolution: 2023-

Consider a resolution to abate nuisance property at 4549 7th Street NW

Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated he is requesting a motion to adopt a resolution 505.871 to proceed with the abatement of the nuisance property located at 4549 7th Street NW Canton, Ohio 44708. The information has come before the Board of Trustees concerning the location of a junk motor vehicle described generally as disabled, damaged white Kia Sportage on the property located at 4549 7th Street NW within the unincorporated territory of Perry Township.

Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Resolution: 2023-

Consider a resolution to abate nuisance property at 320 Adele Ave NW

Zoning Inspector Whytsell requested a motion to adopt a resolution 505.87 to proceed with the abatement of the nuisance property located at 320 Adele Ave NW Canton, Ohio 44708. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated the owner of the land located at 320 Adele Ave NW was hereby ordered to abate, control or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris, especially, the condition of pallets, construction material miscellaneous trash, and debris.

Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Trustee Nelligan and the other Trustees thanked Zoning Inspector Whytsell for doing a great job and for all of the work he has been doing.

Police Department:

Fire Department:

Consider HVAC system for Station 1

Chief Sedlock asked the Board to consider replacing the HVAC system at Station 1. Chief Sedlock stated the Fire Department has been having issues with the HVAC system at Station 1 for some time now. He obtained three quotes and all the vendors indicated the system that is currently in place has been mismatched and too big for the station. Therefore, it is not heating or cooling correctly. In addition to the mismatched system, one of the vendors stated some of the duct work in the basement is incorrect and is hampering the cooling and heating of the upstairs. Additionally, during the summer months last year, the air conditioner quit working altogether and could not be repaired.

Chief Sedlock recommended that the entire HVAC system be replaced at Station 1. It is difficult to know which brand of equipment is the best. However, based on the warranty and other items such as revamping the ductwork, adding a supply register in the mechanical room to aid in minimizing the dampness, and taking care of the leak where the AC line enters the building, Chief Sedlock recommended Shanklin Heating and Air condition for the cost of \$14, 936.00.

Trustee Nelligan made a motion to approve Shanklin Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$14,936.00 to replace the HVAC system at Station 1. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara

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

Discuss the potential addition to Station 1

Chief Sedlock stated that he is in the preliminary stages of gathering information for the potential addition of Station 1 to see if the addition is even feasible. This would be an addition to sleeping quarters for the crews. The approximate prices that he obtained are from work the companies completed in the past:

Harris Day Architecture;

- In 2016 Harris Day Architecture did a 900 ft addition and remodeling at Massillon Fire Station 3 with a cost of \$330.00 per sq foot.
- In 2021 they did a 2500 ft 2-story addition for East Sparta Fire for a cost of \$560.00 per square foot. They are recommending adding 15% to 20% to that cost (\$644.00-\$672.00 per sq foot)
- With those prices, it would cost approximately \$966,000.00 - \$1,008,000.00

The Pavlis Group:

- They gave an approximate price of \$270.00 - \$295.00 per square foot (That was only for the construction portion and nothing else

There are a lot of factors that come into play for a project like this. I feel a work session would be beneficial to discuss this further. This would be for sleeping quarters only.

Trustee DeChiara went over with Chief Sedlock past drawings and architects. Trustee DeChiara discussed with Chief Sedlock the next steps in pursuing the architecture.

Trustee Nelligan discussed having a work session to discuss recommendations on an addition to the station or eliminating a station. Administrator Martin will send to the Board the study that had recommendations. Chief Sedlock will review the old plans and seek an Architecture to give him a price on what it would cost for plans.

No Action was taken

Law Director:

Fiscal Officer Report

Consider Pending Warrants

Fiscal Officer Chessler stated the following pending warrants for week ending 4-18-23 for bills/payroll in the amount of \$221,481.31 and week ending 4-25-23 for bills in the amount of \$164,751.31 for a combined total of \$386,236.62. Fiscal Officer Chessler asked the Board for a Motion to approve the pending warrants.

Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

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

Consider meeting minutes

Fiscal Officer Chessler asked the Board to consider the meeting minutes from April 18, 2023.

Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Bank Reconciliations for March 2023

Fiscal Officer Chessler asked the Board to consider the Bank reconciliation for March 2023.

Trustee Nelligan stated so moved. Seconded by Trustee Miller

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

Board of Trustees Updates – Roll Call

1. Trustee Nelligan – Business Advisory Committee – Business Owner Community Collaboration with Department Heads

Trustee Nelligan wanted to introduce a project she has been working on for the last several months. She indicated that the businesses around Perry have a lot of great ideas and at one time there was a business networking group that would get together. She is looking to meet with business owners, community groups, and people that are invested in our community that want to see good things for

Perry Township. She would like to meet with them and introduce our Department Heads and make connections with them and work collaboratively with them on what they see for Perry Township. She would like to build a team of business owners who would like to help. Possibly a meet and greet in May to see business owners and what they see for Perry Township. Trustee Nelligan stated that she knows that the Lincoln Corridor is a topic along with other areas. Trustee Nelligan would then accept suggestions from the business community, non-profits, churches, etc. to build a relationship. She would like to host on June 2, 12-1:30, and identify a few businesses.

2. Trustee Miller: none
3. Trustee DeChiara, Jr – Video stream

Trustee DeChiara has discussed through email with Administrator Martin the video streaming. He brought the subject of video streaming up for discussion if the Board wanted to bring back video streaming. He likes the idea of streaming. He said the Board is about communicating as much as we can to the residents. He brought up the idea of a YouTube channel or something different other than Facebook. Administrator Martin indicated she has discussed the current status of the streaming with Virtual Data and they previously tried to remotely upload the video and it did not work. Administrator Martin stressed that it is not Virtual Data it is because they do not have control of Microsoft software systems because the streaming on the website is not completable. She said there are other investments. Administrator Martin indicated that there is the option of buying a new computer and it would be a little bit of an investment. The Board agreed to have the meeting filmed and then put onto the website but not have it live. There was a discussion about having the meeting downloaded to YouTube. Trustee Miller suggested also uploading the audio to the website. Administrator Martin indicated that Virtual Data could help with putting the audio version of the meetings on the website.

Public Speaks:

Tim Lewton

Tim Lewton of 1615 Sherwood Ave Massillon, Ohio. Mr. Lewton stated, last fall, after all the rebids on the roads that were to be paved were listed, his street was still on the list. Mr. Lewton then indicated, now they are not getting paved. Trustee DeChiara expressed to Mr. Lewton that because of the cost, some of the roads were taken off. Mr. Lewton feels the roads are getting worse because of a person driving a semi on these roads. Mr. Lewton stated that a neighbor is driving a semi and parking it there overnight on List NW. Mr. Lewton also stated the resident with the semi-truck is keeping chickens. He is now putting them in the garage. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated that the chickens are not there now. Mr. Lewton stated he discussed this with Zoning Inspector Whytsell. Mr. Whytsell did not have any photos. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated there is a weight limit on that street. A resident called concerned about another semi-truck parked in a driveway on 13th Street. Zoning Inspector Whytsell stated that there could be pictures from other residents but per Law Director Mathews these pictures would not stand up in court. The pictures and proof must be by the Zoning Inspector.

Mr. Lewton also has gone through some trailer parks and he indicates that there are also many violations. Trustee DeChiara indicated to Mr. Lewton that trailer parks are not governed by our zoning department, they are governed by the Ohio Department of Commerce. Trustee DeChiara stated that

the Ohio Department of Commerce is the one who manages the trailer parks and indicated that Zoning Inspector Whytsell's hands are tied.

Mr. Lewton also indicated that Fasnacht Farms is a "junkyard" anymore. Mr. Lewton stated the farmer has more "crappy" equipment laying all over the property.

Trustee DeChiara asked Public Works Director Anthony Davide to see if he can look at these streets Mr. Lewton was concerned about. The Board stated they would look into this issue.

Thom Ross

Thom Ross of 2845 Standish SW 44706. Mr. Ross thanked Mr. Davide for his prompt reply on a call he responded to by the fire department. He is 100% behind in what Chief Sedlock is doing on looking into the Station 1 addition or whatever needs to be done. He has found some research that he thinks the township would be interested in. Mr. Ross has spent 33 years with the Perry Township fire department. Mr. Ross has a copy of the assessment that was performed years ago that he quoted from. He found in his research, Senate Bill 4690 is in the middle stages and was introduced on August 1, 2022. It is called the fire construction act. It is called the Fire Station Act.

Administrator Martin indicated that the Ohio Township Association watches these senate bills and will notify the township when they come available.

Problem Properties:

Executive Session(s):

ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss personnel issues to include the Board, Law Director, and Fire Chief

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With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Nelligan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 pm; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:

Administration:

Fire Department:

Police Department:

Road Department:

Parks/Recycling:

Zoning:

Law Director:

Announcements:

Public Speaks-Open Forum:

Adjournment:

The Board adjourned from Executive Session at 8:36 pm

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Nelligan made a motion to adjourn the executive meeting at 8:37 pm; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Lisa Nelligan, President

Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer