

Perry Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

October 15, 2024, 6:00 pm

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Miller. All Trustees were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome & Recognition of Invited Guests

- a) Promotion of Sergeant Jason Fisher to Deputy Chief

Trustee Miller made a motion to promote Jason Fisher to the position of Deputy Chief effective 10/18/24 with terms set forth in his conditional offer of employment. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

- b) Jim Smith ~ Mckinley Eagles & Steve Ingram
- c) 10-minute recess

Excused absence: Law Director Mathews

Communications/Announcements Details are available at Perrytwp.com

- a) Trick or Treat in Perry Township will be observed on Sunday, October 27th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- b) Revised ~ Perry Yard Waste hours beginning September 11th. Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Services are funded by Stark Tusc. Wayne Recycling grant.

Additions/Deletions to Agenda – Roll Call by Department:

Fire: None

Administration: None

Public Works: Consider executive session for employee issues. ORC 121.22 (G)(1) employment to include the Board of Trustees and Public Works Director.

Road: None

Police: None

Zoning: Citation for nuisance issue.

Law Director: None

Fiscal Officer: None

Trustee DeChiara – None

Trustee Miller – executive session under ORC 121.22 (G)(1) employment to include the Fire Chief and Board.

Public Speaks on Agenda Items Up for Action: None

Consent Agenda Items: None

Old Business:

- a) Trustee Nelligan: Limited Home Rule/Thru Truck Resolution. Public Works Director Wellman spoke with Rich Roan public works director from Jackson Township he advised and will speak with contractors in the area to come up with an approved route that is not in effect yet after some issues that came up today and this past weekend that they are going to investigate. They will review what Law Director Mathews drafted follow up with PWD Wellman in a few days and bring it back in. No action was taken.
- b) Chief Sedlock: Weichert Insurance follow-up. Trustee Miller made a motion to pay the invoice to Weichert Insurance in the amount of \$ 3,796.00. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

New Business:

a) **Fire:**

- i) Consider accepting the resignation letter of Tyler Marchand effective 09/13/24. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept the resignation letter of Tyler Marchand effective 09/13/24. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

b) Police:

- i) Consider accepting the Patrick Leahy Bullett Proof Vest grant from the BJA~ Bureau of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$3,285.81. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept the Patrick Leahy Bullett Proof Vest grant from the BJA in the amount of \$3,285.81. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

c) Public Works:

- i) Consider payment to Pauli Electric for LED lighting upgrades at the Road Department building in the amount of \$6,875.00 from leftover ARPA funds. Trustee Miller made a motion to make payment to Pauli Electric for LED lighting upgrades at the Road Department building in the amount of \$6,875.00. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Trustee Miller made a motion for a lighting upgrade to be paid out of American Rescue Plane Act funds. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

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

- ii) Consider selling a 1988 Ford 4610 tractor with a road mower to Perry Local Schools in the amount of \$6,500.00. Trustee Miller approved selling a 1988 Ford 4610 tractor which is no longer of use to the Road Department with a road mower to Perry Local Schools another government entity in the amount of \$6,500.00. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

- iii) Consider purchasing equipment in the amount of \$5,191.74 from Northern Tool and Equipment with funds donated by the McKinley Eagles. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept the purchase in the amount of \$5,191.74 from Northern Tool and Equipment with funds donated by the Mckinley Eagles. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

- iv) Executive session required by

d) **Zoning:**

- i) Consider a nuisance abatement resolution for the property located at 4901 Trafalgar St. S.W. Canton. Trustee Miller made a motion to abate nuisance at the property located at 4901 Trafalgar St. Canton, Ohio. The abatement amount is \$1,836.00. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

- ii) Consider a citation in the amount of \$100 for failure to comply with the stop work order on the residential fence without acquiring the proper zoning certificate at 2320 Brooklyn Ave S.W. Canton Ohio 44706. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve a \$100 citation for failure to comply with the stop work order at 2320 Brooklyn Ave. S.W. Canton, 44706. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

- e) **Administration:** Consider an additional invoice from Beaver for the walking path at Meredith Park in the amount of \$5,105.00 to be paid out of the ARPA funds. Trustee Miller brought up that it would not be out of the ARPA funds as they are going to seek reimbursement. Trustee Miller said this will be the next to last thing done at the park. Trustee Miller made a motion to pay the invoice in the amount of \$5,105.00 to Beaver Excavating for work done on the walking track at Meredith Park. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

- f) **Law Director:** None

g) Fiscal Office

i) Consider Pending Warrants for the week ending 10/01/24 for bills/payroll in the amount of \$255,996.70 and the bills for the week ending 10/08/24 in the amount of \$ 56,041.92 for a combined total of \$312,038.62. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept pending warrants for the week ending 10/1/24 for bills/payroll in the amount of \$255,996.70 and the week ending 10/08/24 for bills in the amount of \$56,041.92 for a combined total of \$312,038.62. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

ii) Consider special meeting minutes from 09/03/24, regular meeting 09/03/24 and special meeting 09/17/24. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept special meeting minutes from 09/03/24 regular meeting 09/03/24 special meeting 09/17/24. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

iii) Consider approval of bank reconciliations for September 2024. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept bank reconciliations for September 2024. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

iv) Consider approval of resolution accepting the rates from Stark County Auditor. Trustee Miller made a motion to accept the rates from the Stark County Auditor. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Trustees

1. Trustee Nelligan: None
2. Trustee DeChiara Jr.: None

3. Trustee Miller: ORC 121.22 (G)(1) employee discipline to include the Board and Police Chief. Trustee Miller made a motion to enter executive session under ORC 121.22 (G)(1). Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

The Board entered into executive session at 6:37 p.m.

The Board returned from the executive session at 6:41 p.m.

Trustee Miller made a motion to adopt the administrative personnel determination as prepared by the Law Director dated 10/15/24. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Public Speaks:

Diane Bowen

Diane Bowen stated her name and address as 3900 Groveland Ave. S.W. Navarre Ohio 44662. Diane asked for permission to use Perry Park for some community events from April 2025 to October 2025 or November once a month for a 720 Market type of event. Diane also stated she is a small business owner and has a food truck and would like to know whether she can take it to the parks on the weekend to sell to those in attendance. Trustee Miller informed Diane that she could speak with Chief Taylor and the Zoning Inspector could assist her with operating the food truck. Diane stated that she, her husband along with a friend have been thinking of the idea for the things in the community to have things to do and will be spearheading the events. Trustee Nelligan said she would follow up with Diane to speak on the matter.

Theresa Burger

Theresa Burger stated her name and address as 1416 Genoa Ave. S. W. Massillon. Theresa asked about the long-range plan for the section of Genoa and South Way. The congestion has been bad. Trustee Miller stated that it would be a conversation between our Road Department and the Stark County Engineers for the involvement on Southway. Theresa stated that she called the street department and she mentioned that when she brings up the topic it seems to be someone else's issue and never any rules with the Perry Township Street Department.

Executive Session

With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Miller made a motion to adjourn into executive session at 6:50 p.m. under ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to include the Public Works Director and the Board. Also, the executive session under ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to include the Board and Police Chief. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Adjournment:

The Board returned from the executive session at approximately: 7:59 p.m.

Trustee Miller made a motion to put Road Department employee Tim Corbi on paid administrative leave effective 10/15/24. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

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

Trustee Miller made a motion to appoint Chief Sedlock to investigate possible charges against members of the department under 505.38. Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

With nothing further to come before the Board of Trustees, Trustee Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Nelligan.

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

Matt Miller, President

Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer