

PERKINS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

August 11, 2020

The Perkins Township Trustees met Tuesday August 11, 2020 in the Township Services Facility located at 2610 Columbus Avenue. Trustees present were James Lang, Timothy Coleman, and Jeffrey Ferrell. Chairman Ferrell opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Mr. Ferrell moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

MINUTES

Mr. Ferrell moved to approve the Regular Session minutes of July 14 and July 28 and the Special Session of July 16. All were in favor.

FINANCIALS

Mr. Ferrell moved to approve the financial reports for the month ending July 31 and the period ending August 11. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2020-090

Amend the Fee Schedule to include a \$50 fee for the Repaving of Parking Lots

Mr. Ferrell moved to amend the fee schedule to include a \$50 fee for the repaving of parking lots in planned development, commercial or industrially zoned properties. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Mr. Boyle commented that they had had a request from a business to repave their parking lot. This would ensure that the repaving follows the zoning regulations and that the contractor is registered with the Township. Mr. Coleman asked if we had looked at other townships to see how we compared. Mr. Boyle said that normally our fees were lower and that the proposed fee is much less than the usual site plan review fee. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2020-091

Hire Ryan J. McDermott as a Class C Patrol Officer

Mr. Ferrell moved to hire Ryan J. McDermott as a Class C Patrol Officer at a starting rate of \$22.52 per hour, effective August 22, 2020. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Chief Donald said Ryan was currently part-time and currently works for Lorain County Metro Parks. Chief Donald said the Ryan does have a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Wright State so he would be entitled to an additional 5% based on the CBA. Proper documentation will be turned in. Roll call Vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2020-092

Hire Robb Parthemore as a Seasonal Employee in the Public Works Department

Mr. Ferrell moved to hire Robb Parthemore as a Seasonal Employee in the Public Works Department at a rate of \$11.00 per hour, effective August 12, 2020. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Mr. Boyle said this would supplement the current seasonal employees, one of whom is returning to her teaching position soon. It has been difficult to find dependable seasonal employees. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2020-093

Reduce the Speed Limit on Taylor Road, from Botay Road to its Dead End to 35 mph

Mr. Ferrell moved to request the Ohio Department of Transportation to reduce the speed limit on Taylor Road, from Botay Road to its dead end near US 250 to 35 mph. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Mr. Boyle said residents had requested the reduction. The County Engineer has reviewed the request and is recommending the reduction. Mr. Coleman said 35 mph was appropriate and was surprised that it was 55 mph. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

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RESOLUTION 2020-094

Hire Avrey Cruz and Andrew Dowell as Part-time Firefighter/EMT

Mr. Ferrell moved to hire Avrey Cruz and Andrew Dowell as Part-time Firefighter/EMT at a rate of \$14.00 per hour, effective August 12, 2020. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Chief Murphy said that both had passed all the background tests. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2020-095

Hire Jeremy Adams as Part-time Firefighter/Paramedic

Mr. Ferrell moved to hire Jeremy Adams as a Part-time Firefighter/Paramedic at a rate of \$16.00 per hour, effective August 12, 2020. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Chief Murphy said that Jeremy had also passed all the background tests. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

Department Reports

Police Department – Chief Donald presented a letter of commendation from Avon Police Department for Officers Rospert, Jarrett, and Thayer for their assistance in locating a missing child.

RESOLUTION 2020-096

Apply for a Grant for Ballistic Vests

Mr. Ferrell moved to apply for and accept if awarded a grant from the State of Ohio for four (4) ballistic vests for the Police Department. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Chief Donald said that this was a 75-25% grant with the Township paying 25% of the cost. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

Chief Donald said that they had had some special details due to the recent drug overdoses. The health department said that there was a bad batch of drugs going around.

Fire Department – Chief Murphy said he would be proceeding with the promotional list for the Lieutenant position per the CBA. He is working on a proposal for turnout gear and with George Poulos on specifications for Station #3 roof repairs. Fire Marshall Eastman and Captain Bronner are working on a video for fire prevention week to present to the schools. They are working on interviews for the fulltime candidates.

Public Works Department – The paving of Schenk/Campbell should be completed before the end of the month. The playground equipment for Abernathy Park is supposed to be installed on August 13.

Community Development – The construction of the new Firelands RMC building has started. The housing surveys should be finished by the end of the month. They are working on a promotional video of the Township. Ryan Printy's last full-time day is August 14; however, he will be working part-time after that.

Administrator – Mr. Boyle reviewed his recent and upcoming meetings.

The Census Bureau will be completing the field work by September 30. This is a month earlier than usual. It is very important that residents complete their census survey. Staff is working on a design for a new public street between Milan Road and Sam's Club Way. The property owners seem to be on board; however, our engineer needs to complete the road design.

RESOLUTION 2020-097

Apply for a Grant for E. Strub Road

Mr. Coleman moved to apply for and accept if awarded a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission for the paving of E. Strub Road in the amount of \$280,296.30. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

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Mr. Boyle advised that a security camera system for the Police and Public Works Department is being finalized. The SRTS grant for from last year was finalized.

Notices/Correspondence

- Next Regular Meeting – August 25

Fiscal Officer Comments

- Payments for the period August 1-14 total \$325,052.02 and includes two payrolls and payments to Intrensic for the second year of the body cam program.
- Motel Report update – January increase of 13%; February increase of 20.49%; March decreased of 62.37%; April decrease of 91.61%; May decrease of 88.04%; June decrease of 71.99%. YTD as of July 31 collections of \$198,649.98 compared to \$445,326.74 for 2019, which is a decrease of \$246,676.76 or 55.39%.
- The purchase orders for the CARES Act purchases must be in place by mid-October.

Trustees Discussion

Public Forum –

Mrs. Clifton, Parkland Drive, voiced concerns regarding the Wolf Inn. People are ringing doorbells at all hours of the day; trespassing on private property; the trash in the back of the property; and the draining from the property. Chief Donald said that they have spent extra time in the area and have talked to the Prosecutor’s Officer regarding the situation. The Trustees will check with Community Development to see what they are able to do.

Nancy McKeen, Stonewood Drive, then introduced Caleb Stidham, candidate for Erie County Treasurer.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Mr. Ferrell moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 pm. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye.

Jeffrey Ferrell, Chairman

Diane Schaefer, Fiscal Officer