

PERKINS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

October 26, 2021

The Perkins Township Trustees met Tuesday, October 26, 2021, in the Township Services Facility located at 2610 Columbus Avenue. Trustees present were Timothy Coleman, Jeffrey Ferrell, and James Lang. Chairman Coleman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the financials for the period ending October 26, 2021. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Coleman opened the hearing to consider an amendment to the Zoning Resolution to permit medical marijuana dispensaries as a conditionally permitted use in the "C-2" District, and to amend the Definitions and Supplementary Regulations section of the Resolution.

Ms. Blanco reviewed the proposed changes and the actions taken by the Zoning Commission.

John Pardee, Oberlin Ohio, is a patient advocate who is speaking in favor of this issue. As a result of a personal event, he has learned that medical marijuana is the safer alternative for medical care.

Mr. Ferrell moved to close the public hearing. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye.

Resolution 2021-192

Amend Zoning Resolution to Permit Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

Mr. Coleman moved to amend the Zoning Resolution to permit medical marijuana dispensaries as a conditionally permitted use in the "C-2" District, and to amend the Definitions and Supplementary Regulations section of the Resolution. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion.

Mr. Ferrell questioned whether this was only for the conditional use permit in the C-2 District. Ms. Blanca said that if a dispensary is conditionally permitted in the C-2 District, dispensaries would also be permitted in I-1 and I-2 Districts. Mr. Ferrell also clarified that this was for the dispensaries only, not the cultivation or growing activities. Then Mr. Ferrell reviewed the process, the facility would apply to the State for their license. If they are granted the license, then the facility would come back to the Township for the conditional use permit.

Mr. Coleman stated that the Township could put additional restrictions at later date, such as security. Ms. Blanca said that they changes would have to go back through the process of changes to conditional use permits.

Mr. Ferrell asked what the deadline was for applying for the license. Mr. Pardee said mid-November. Chris Visco, another representative of MMO, said that while they did not need the actual conditional use permit, they did need a letter from the Township saying that this location would be permitted for a medical marijuana dispensary.

Mr. Pardee said that one prohibition to the conditional use would be a drive through as many of their clients have mobility issues. Mr. Ferrell said that he was not totally in favor of a drive through facility. Ms. Visco, who operates facilities in Pennsylvania, said that with COVID they were dependent of the drive-through or curb side methods. She told the Board of the many security measures they have put into place with those facilities.

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Mr. Pardee said they have the dispensaries in more progressive areas and the State of Ohio has looked at this from every angle to be certain it was safe.

Mr. Ferrell asked that this be sent back to Zoning to formalize the Conditional Permit stipulations so that they would be ready when someone receives their license. In Ohio there will be a set number licenses per district. Perkins is in the northwest district. The successful candidate(s) will be selected by a random draw from all applicants. Once selected, the applicants will be screened to see that they meet all the required qualifications. If not, they are disqualified and the next applicant is selected, again by random draw.

With no other questions, Mr. Coleman call for the vote on the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2021-193

Amend Resolution 2016-169 to Eliminate the Prohibition on Retail Marijuana Dispensaries

Mr. Coleman moved to amend Resolution No. 2016-169 to eliminate the prohibition on retail marijuana dispensaries. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Mr. Ferrell questioned the use of the term "Retail" . Ms. Blanca said that was the language used in the original resolution. Ms. Visco said that Retail is Medical. Mr. Pardee said that Ohio is only a Medical Use state. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2021-194

Appoint Joshua Powlesland as a Full Time Patrol Officer Class C

Mr. Coleman moved to appoint Joshua Powlesland as a full-time Patrol Officer Class C at a rate of pay of \$23.43 per hour (plus a 4% educational bonus), effective November 1, 2021. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Chief Donald reviewed the hiring process and his educational background. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution adopted.

Chief Donald administered the oath of office to Officer Powlesland.

Resolution 2021-195

Adopt a Policy Related to ON BEHALF OF Grants

Mr. Coleman moved to adopt a policy related to "On Behalf Of" grant applications and projects. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Mr. Coleman said that the was a result of the recent audit. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2021-186

Supplemental Appropriations – Debt Service

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the following Supplemental Appropriation for Debt Service:

ROAD RECONDITIONING FUND
2194 910-910-3102 Transfer Out (TAN Note) \$144,935

DEBT SERVICE - Road Reconditioning TAN
3102-820-820-0000 Principal Payments – Notes \$130,334
3102-830-830-0000 Interest Payments \$ 14,606

Source: Unencumbered funds in the 2194 Road Reconditioning fund to be transferred to 3102 Debt Service and unencumbered funds in 3102 Debt Service

Purpose: Payment of semi-annual TAN loan payment

Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution adopted.

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Resolution 2021-197

Adopt a Policy Recognizing Deceased Employees

Mr. Coleman moved to adopt a policy recognizing deceased employees. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Mr. Ferrell noted that the employees are our best assets, and it is the least we can do to recognize them. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution adopted.

Department Reports

- Fire Department – report on file
- Police Department – report on file

Public Works Department – Director Link asked the Board to pass a resolution to apply for a grant through the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Resolution 2021-198

Apply for a Grant through the Ohio Department of Transportation's Stimulus Grant Program

Mr. Ferrell moved to approve a grant application to the Ohio Department of Transportation's Stimulus grant program for E. Strub Road sidewalks and to accept the grant if awarded. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution adopted.

The signs for special needs children have been installed on Bayview and Sunset.

Mr. Ferrell asked for an update on the repairs on Strub Road due to water damage by a broken water line.

- Community Development & Zoning – Report on file
- Administrator – report on file

Notices/Correspondence

- Next Regular Meeting – November 9 at 8:00 am
- Exit Conference tentatively set for Friday at 9:00 am. Department heads are requested to attend.
- Notice of a liquor permit new D5I license for Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, 4216 Milan Road – No hearing requested
- Notice of a liquor permit transfer of D3 and D6 permits from Dream Vision LLC, Columbus to Coastal Swing Two LLC at 1005 E. Strub Rd. – No hearing requested
- Notice of a liquor permit transfer of D1, D2, D3, D6 permits from Southwest Dining to Brinker Restaurant dba Chili's Grill & Bar, 5200 Milan Road. (ownership change only) – No hearing requested.

Fiscal Officer Comments

- Payments for the period – October 13 - October 26 – total \$320,578.29 and included payments for: TFC for the sweeper lease and Lake Erie Construction.
- OPWC has made their payment to Erie Blacktop for the paving of Marshall Avenue. There is an OPWC balance of \$20,000. I suggest we ask OPWC if we can submit the RPMs as part of the project under contingencies

Trustees' Discussion - none

Public Forum – none

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Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Coleman moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 a.m. Mr. Ferrell seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Meeting adjourned.

Timothy Coleman, Chairman

Diane Schaefer, Fiscal Officer
(from digital recording)