

PERKINS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

August 22, 2023

The Perkins Township Trustees met Tuesday, August 22, 2023, in the Township Services Facility located at 2610 Columbus Avenue. The Trustees present were James Lang, Timothy Coleman, and Jeffrey Ferrell. Chairman Ferrell opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Ferrell moved to approve the financial statements for the period ending August 25, 2023. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

ZONING MEETING

Mr. Ferrell moved to open a hearing to declare a nuisance for vegetation at 3711 Scottley Drive (PPN 32-01877.000) and order abatement. Mr. Ferrell swore in those people who wished to speak.

Code Enforcement Officer Tamie Myers reviewed the specifics of the nuisance. Greg Schmid, a neighbor, said that his wife has been mowing the front yard and the back yard has not been mowed in years.

Resolution 2023-139

Declare a Nuisance – 3711 Scottley Drive

Mr. Ferrell moved to declare a nuisance for vegetation at 3711 Scottley Drive (PPN 32-01877.000) and order abatement. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

Mr. Ferrell moved to open a hearing to declare a junk vehicle located at 909 Force Avenue (PPN 32-02825.000) and order of removal pursuant to Perkins Township Resolution 2022-220 and Ohio Revised Code Sections 505.871 and 505.173. Mr. Ferrell swore in those people who wished to speak.

Code Enforcement Officer Amanda McClain reviewed the specifics of the junk vehicle and the garbage, refuse, and other debris nuisance.

Resolution 2023-140

Declare a Junk Vehicle – 909 Force Avenue

Mr. Ferrell moved to declare a junk vehicle located at 909 Force Avenue (PPN 32-02825.000) and order of removal pursuant to Perkins Township Resolution 2022-220 and Ohio Revised Code Sections 505.871 and 505.173. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2023-141

Declare a Nuisance – 909 Force Avenue

Mr. Ferrell moved to declare a nuisance for garbage, refuse and other debris located at 909 Force Avenue (PPN 32-02825.000) and order of removal pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 505.87. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2023-142

Declare a Subsequent Offense – 3407 Milan Road

Mr. Ferrell moved to declare a subsequent offense and the order of abatement for vegetation at 3407 Milan Road (Parcel No.'s 32-04809.000 and 32-4809.002). Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

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Resolution 2023-143

Award a Contract to Smith Paving – Columbus/Bell Sidewalk Project

Mr. Ferrell moved to award the contract for the Columbus to Strickfaden sidewalk project to Smith Paving in the amount of \$149,518.50. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Director Link said that the project starts on Columbus Avenue by King Avenue and then goes onto Bell Avenue to Strickfaden Park. Mr. Ferrell asked if this includes making the bus stop on King Avenue handicap accessible. Director Link replied yes. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2023-144

Supplemental Appropriations – Police Fund

Mr. Ferrell moved to adopt the following Supplemental Appropriation:

2191-210-740-0000- Machinery, Equipment & Furniture \$20,000.00

2191-210-750-0000- Motor Vehicles \$45,000.00

Purpose: Additional vehicle outfitted with radio & equipment

Source: Unappropriated 2191 Police Fund monies

Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Chief Musser said that this is for the Detective Bureau. The current vehicle will be put into the fleet. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2023-145

Award 2023-2024 General Liability Insurance Package to OTARMA

Mr. Ferrell moved to award the 2023-2024 General Insurance Package to OTARMA for \$169,961 less CDL credits of \$1,750, net \$168,211. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Ms. Schaefer explained that this was a standard policy that has been reviewed by each department. Mr. Ferrell asked if the vehicles were listed at Replacement Value rather than Actual Cash Value. Ms. Schaefer checked later and only Fire Department vehicles can be listed at Replacement Value. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Resolution adopted.

Department Reports

- Police Department – Chief Musser has been in discussion with Flock for a camera system for 15 cameras. The cost is \$66,250 for the first because of installation; then \$45,000 each year after that. Mr. Ferrell asked if they had selected the locations. Mr. Coleman asked if this would be in co-ordination with the County. Chief Musser said that the County was working on it. Mr. Ferrell asked if this would tie into our current in-car camera system. Chief Musser said Phase I does not provide this option, but it is available in the other phase. Chief Musser said that this system is available to both public and private locations. Ms. Schaefer asked that the contract wait until the next meeting to be certain the financing is in place.
- Public Events – Coordinator Brittany Henley reviewed the activities at the upcoming Community Day on Saturday.
- Public Works Department – Director Link thanks the members of his crew for the work they are doing to clean up from the recent storms. Mr. Ferrell said that he had received a number of calls thanking the Departments for the work they were doing.

Notices/Correspondence

- Next Regular Meeting – September 12 @ 06:00 PM

Fiscal Officer Comments

- Payments for the period August 12- Aug 25 of \$583,091.44 and included payments to: Smith Paving for Cedar Brook Lane; Convenient Construction for a home rehab grant; Sports Force for baseball program; Roy McKenzie's Tree Service for removal of tree under the grant rehab program.
- July Motel Tax – July collections \$183,360.78, down 5.56% for 2022; YTD \$817,814.67, down 1.12%
- OTARMA's 2023 Capital Distribution to Perkins Township will be \$8,186.34

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- Second half Real Estate settlement was \$4,041,112. Auditor did not charge/collect any real estate assessment fees for the 2nd half distribution.
- I will be requesting an amended certificate of Resources this week- approximately \$143,000
- Had a meeting last week with Erie County Auditor's personnel regarding how to input the street lighting assessments using their new program.
- Submitted information to the Erie County Engineer regarding the changes/additions to streets and points of interest within Perkins Township since 2012.

Trustees' Discussion – Mr. Coleman thanked all Township employees for their efforts during the storms. When good people work hard, it reflects on the Departments and on the Township.

Public Forum – Fran Harris and Mary Hager, Lisbon Circle, questioned if there was a policy regarding fireworks. In July their houses were covered by debris from the fireworks. They did file a police report after they realized there was damage. Chief Musser said that the laws did change recently. He also said that the calls need to be made when the people are shooting the fireworks. Ms. Ohlemacher said that they would post more information on the website and Facebook.

One of the ladies also asked if there was a curfew in the Township. Mr. Ferrell said that according to the ORC townships are not permitted to pass a curfew. Mr. Coleman further explained that if we were a city or village, we would be permitted to do this.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Ferrell moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m. Mr. Coleman seconded. Roll call: Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye; Mr. Ferrell, aye. Meeting adjourned.

Jeffrey Ferrell, Chairman

Diane Schaefer, Fiscal Officer