PERKINS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES SPECIAL SESSION

March 19, 2025

The Perkins Township Trustees met on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, in the Township Services Facility located at 2610 Columbus Avenue. The Trustees present were James Ommert, James Lang, and Tim Coleman. Chairman Coleman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA

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

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2025-32

Implement an internal control policy to address the receipt and disposition of mandatory drug fines.

Mr. Coleman moved to implement an internal control policy to address the receipt and disposition of mandatory drug fines received in accordance with R.C. 2925.03. Mr. Lang seconded. Police Chief Musser explained that we've been working with Assistant Prosecutor, Jason Hinners to develop a policy. He added that during the budgeting process it was determined that a policy would need to be in place to utilize the funds in Fund 2221. Administrator Boyle stated that there was no policy in place previously and would recommend this one from the Prosecutor's Office. Chairman Coleman said that he feels comfortable moving forward with the State auditor's opinion, in addition to our policy, is the way to go. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-33

Authorize a contract with Kiesler Police Supply for the purchase of confiscated guns, trade in of current Police duty handguns, and purchase of new handguns, not to exceed \$13,000.

Mr. Coleman moved to authorize a contract with Kiesler Police Supply for the purchase from the Township of 84 confiscated guns surplus to the Township's needs, the trade-in of 25 current Police Department duty handguns and accessories toward the purchase of 30 new duty handguns and accessories in an amount not to exceed \$13,000.00. Mr. Lang seconded. Police Chief Musser explained that the current age of the service pistols in use is 10 years old. He's spoken with OTOA and other Police Chiefs, who agree that ten years is the maximum lifespan. There have been 86 confiscated firearms in custody of the Township from Common Pleas and Municipal Courts, we would be receiving a trade-in credit for these towards the new purchase. Chief Musser has looked into three different bids from Police Suppliers. Chairman Coleman asked the value of the trade-in, Chief Musser stated that it would save the Township \$18,000. Administrator Boyle complimented Chief Musser for doing a great job looking into this matter. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Resolution 2025-34

Amend Resolution 2025-11 appointing members to the Tax Incentive Review Council.

Mr. Coleman moved to amend Resolution 2025-11 appointing members to the Tax Incentive Review Council per the attached list. Mr. Lang seconded. Administrator Boyle reminded the Board that this Council was established in December of 2023. The purpose of the Council is to annually review applications for any type of property tax incentives. He suggested amending its membership to include the County Auditor as the County Auditor serves on all TIRC's in the County. Mr. Ommert also recommended the appointment of Fiscal Officer Alexis Koch. The Board discussed that the TIRC members should include the Board of Trustees Chairman, Vice Chair, Fiscal Officer, County Auditor, Perkins Schools, EHOVE, and Administrator. Chairman Coleman moved forward with this recommendation. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Department Reports

Police Department – Chief Musser's report was submitted in writing. He announced that a sovereign and non-compliant citizen class schedule is September 10th hosted here at the Township building.

Fire Department – Chief Murphy's report was submitted in writing. He added that the Department has two conditional employment offers on the table, one to be hired next week. He stated that he attended the Blue-Ribbon Committee meeting last week and believed it went well. Chairman Coleman shared that Chief Murphy presented well, they're having good conversations and doing a good job.

Community Development – Interim Director Blanca's report was submitted in writing.

Public Works Department – Director Link's report was submitted in writing. He shared that the Schiller Ave. project will begin next Monday. The contractor will keep residents informed.

Assistant Administrator – Ashley Ohlemacher announced the date of Clean-Up-Day to be April 26th. There will be an additional service of paper shredding offered this year by Firelands Local.

Administrator – Administrator Boyle shared that he has submitted witness testimony for Senate Bill #104 which could result in the loss of zoning control. He added that there have been over 50 witness statements made that recognize the need and the potential for a host of problems related to short-term rental properties. House Bill #96 also heard witness testimony objecting to the proposed loss of host community related to adult use cannabis dispensaries. Under the current law this is required already.

Notices/Correspondence

• Next Regular Meeting – March 25, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

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Fiscal Officer Comments

- Financial reports and Motel Tax reporting will be provided at the March 25th Regular Session Meeting.
- Michael Todhunter was promoted through contract, becoming a Class A Patrol Officer, effective February 28, 2025.

Trustees' Discussion

No further discussion by the Trustees.

Public Forum

There was no comment from the public.

Adjournment

Mr. Coleman moved to adjourn the Board's meeting at 8:55 a.m Mr. Lang seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Meeting adjourned.

Timothy Coleman, Chairman

Alexis Koch, Fiscal Officer