

PERKINS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

April 22, 2025

The Perkins Township Trustees met on Tuesday, April 22, 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.

MINUTES

Mr. Coleman moved to adopt the minutes of March 25th and April 8th. Mr. Lang seconded the motion. All were in favor.

FINANCIALS

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the financials for the period ending April 18th. Mr. Lang seconded the motion. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing:

Notice of declaration of a nuisance condition for garbage, refuse, and other debris at 205 Gilcher Court (PPN 32-02801.000) as a hazard to the health and safety of the surrounding neighborhood, and ordering abatement of garbage, refuse, and other debris per Ohio Revised Code 505.87.

Administrator Boyle swore in Code Enforcement Officer, Amanda McClain, to speak. McClain began by sharing that this case began on August 23, 2024, in a vacant lot. The owner of the lot has violated zoning code before, with other items being stored on the lot such as a boat, camper, fire pit, debris, and used lumber.

Chairman Coleman added that after nine months, the pile is still there, even though other items have been moved. Mr. Coleman closed the public hearing.

Resolution 2025-55

Declare 205 Gilcher Court (PPN 32-02801.000) as a Nuisance Condition

Mr. Coleman moved to declare garbage, refuse, and other debris at 205 Gilcher Court (PPN 32-02801.000) as a nuisance condition and posing a hazard to the health and safety of the surrounding neighborhood in violation of Ohio Revised Code 505.87 and Resolution 2022-149, and ordering abatement of the same. Mr. Lang seconded. There was no further discussion. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Resolution 2025-56

Authorize the Issuance of Bonds Not to Exceed \$8,000,000 for the purpose of a Fire Station

Mr. Coleman moved to authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 for the purpose of constructing, acquiring, furnishing and equipping a fire station; improving the site thereof; and purchasing and acquiring equipment and appurtenances related thereto; and authorizing and approving related matters. Mr. Lang seconded. Administrator Boyle shared that the Township is moving towards the construction of a central station, as determined to be ideal location for response time by an analysis study. This resolution would allow the authorization to seek a loan as the first step in the process. Administrator Boyle added that we would be negotiating the terms of the loan at 15 years, and that we would make payments/pay off the loan as resources are available. This process has been advised by our legal counsel Bricker Graydon. Chief Murphy added that we are relying on the sale of the two existing stations to reduce the amount owed on the loan, as the value of the property on Route 250 is valued at three million on its own. He added that another source of funding would be the distribution of excess tax by the State and from marijuana dispensaries and Aligned Data center payments. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-57

Accept the Resignation of Full-Time Police Patrol Officer Jordan T. Speer, effective April 22, 2025

Mr. Coleman moved to accept the resignation of full-time Police Patrol Officer Jordan T. Speer, effective April 22, 2025. Mr. Lang seconded. Captain Curran spoke to the good efforts Officer Speer has made with the Township and wishes him the best of luck at the Sheriff's department. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-58

Accept the Resignation of Full-Time Police Patrol Officer Joshua Powlesland, Effective April 25, 2025

Mr. Coleman moved to accept the resignation of full-time Police Patrol Officer Joshua Powlesland, effective April 25, 2025. Mr. Lang seconded. Captain Curran spoke to the challenges of retention, but wishes Officer Powlesland the best of luck as well. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-59

Approve Amendment to Reallocate Remaining Funding of the Housing Rehabilitation & Property Improvement Program for Township-wide Use

Mr. Coleman moved to approve an amendment to the Township's Housing Rehabilitation & Property Improvement Program reallocating remaining funding for Township-wide use. Mr. Lang seconded. Community Development Director, Arielle Blanca, spoke on the issue the Department is having with the \$50,000 set aside in this program for Searsville. After many attempts to interest this neighborhood, they have only received one application, but there are still many applicants coming in from other areas of the Township. This Resolution would allow us to approve those applications on a Township wide basis. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Department Reports

Police Department – Captain Curran’s report was submitted in writing.

Fire Department – Chief Murphy’s report was submitted in writing. He added that the new ambulance should be here today and would like to request a Resolution to declare the current ambulance as surplus.

Resolution 2025-60

Declare the 2011 International Lifeline Ambulance as Surplus and to Remove from Inventory and Dispose of as Deemed Appropriate.

Mr. Coleman moved to declare the ambulance as being surplus to the Fire Department’s needs, and to remove from inventory and dispose of as deemed appropriate. Mr. Lang seconded. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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

Public Works Department – Director Link’s report was submitted in writing. He wanted to highlight two items -Saturday is Earth Day Clean-up from 8-12:00. Also, the Schiller Avenue sidewalk project with C.S. Trucking has reached its halfway point.

Administrator – Administrator Boyle shared that he will be attending various meetings this week, such as the Senior Affordable Housing forum. He added that as Chief Murphy has related equipment as being surplus with his department, the Administration would like to look at all Township owned properties to be determined as surplus (or not surplus) as well.

Administrator Boyle added that the Board of Trustees now has an offer to purchase a Township owned property. The offer is over the appraised value, the Township has no future plans for the parcel, and it would be for private residential use and is not needed for park purposes, chairman Coleman responded that it would be worthwhile to proceed, it is adjacent to a park, and he would recommend the approval.

Resolution 2025-61

Approve the Sale of a Township Owned Property, 32-04227.001 in the Amount of \$26,500, in Addition to Closing Costs.

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the sale of a Township owned property, PPN 32-04227.001, as deemed surplus to the Township, in the amount of \$26,500, in addition to closing costs. Administrator Boyle added that in addition to Chief Murphy finding a surplus vehicle, the Township has a property that could be considered surplus as well. He stated that the Township acquired the property years prior but has no plans for future use or development. He noted that the Township is looking at all properties to determine additional surplus where appropriate. Administrator Boyle shared that there is interest in purchasing the property at above appraised value in addition to closing costs, with the goal of the property to be for private use. Chairman Coleman stated that he believes this is worthwhile to proceed. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Notices/Correspondence

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- Next Regular Meeting – May 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Fiscal Officer Comments

- Payments for the period of April 5th – 18th total \$585,593.21. This includes payments to Kalida Truck Equipment for a crane and truck bed in the Public Works Department, Flock Group Inc for the camera lease in the Police Department, and Dell Marketing for Police Department vehicle laptops, to First National Bank for the final payment of the TAN Loan.

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 9:02 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