

The Board of Perry Township Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, June 9, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Room in East Liberty. Roll Call; John Brose, present, John (JD) Gibson, present, Kenny Rosebrook, present, and Cindy Stalling present. Also present was: Jessica Gibson, Dan Ackley, Renee Rosebrook, Chief Dan McElfresh, Dan Coats, Darin Brogan, Linda Baldrige, Jack Reser, Todd Wisse, Jeff Johnson, Kara Slonecker, Sandy Wilcox and Rob Harvey. Also attending was Weston Heffelfinger and many of his family and friends.

All stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the previous meeting was given to the Trustees to read prior to this meeting. Mr. Brose asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes and then asked if there were any additions or corrections the financial statements that were given to the Trustees from the fiscal officer. They both stand approved.

Mr. Jack Reser, Logan County Auditor, was here to present the Cemetery Levy that the Trustees want to put on the November ballot. Mr. John (JD) Gibson made a motion to pass the following Resolution: This is a Necessity Resolution: 06-25A.

WHEREAS, The Township of Perry requests the Logan County Auditor to prepare a Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue to be generated for an additional levy in the amount of 1.00 mills which is levied for the purpose of Cemetery Expenses pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 5705.19 to be placed on the ballot for the general election to be held on the 4th day of November, 2025 and to be collected beginning with tax year 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Perry that the Logan County Auditor is hereby requested to present said certificate within ten days after receiving this Resolution. Mr. John Brose seconded the Resolution and the vote being called upon its adoption; the vote resulted as follows: Mr. John Brose, aye Mr. John Gibson, aye Mr. Ken Rosebrook, aye Adopted this 9th day of June, 2025

The County Auditor of Logan County, Ohio, Jack Reser does hereby certify the following:

1. On June 9, 2025, the authority of the Perry Township, Logan County certified a copy of its resolution or ordinance adopted June 9, 2025, requesting the county auditor to certify the current tax valuation of the subdivision and the number of mills necessary to produce \$70,000 of revenue, to levy a tax outside the 10-mill limitation for Perry Township Cemetery Fund purposes pursuant to Revised Code 5705.19, to be placed on the ballot at the November 4, 2025, election.

2. The levy type is a renewal.

3. The estimated property tax millage required to produce the stated revenue, assuming the tax valuation of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be: a. (1.00) mills for each \$1 of taxable valuation b. estimated amount to \$70.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value.

4. The total tax value used in calculating the estimated property tax millage rate is \$79,189,760.

Mr. John Gibson moved the adoption of the following Resolution: 06-25 B

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of said Perry Township, Logan County, Ohio;

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Perry Township, Logan County Ohio two thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of Perry Township for the purpose of Cemeteries for the purpose of Cemetery operation or improvements. At a rate not exceeding 1 (one) mill, which amounts to 0.0100 for each one hundred dollar of valuation or \$35 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for 5 years commencing and appearing on the tax list for the years so specified: 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029 and 2030.

Said levy is a renewal of an existing levy of 1.000 mills.

RESOLVED, that the question of levying additional taxes be submitted to the electors of said Perry Township at the General election to be held at the usual voting places within said Perry Township on the 4th day of November, 2025 and be it further

RESOLVED, that said levy be placed upon the tax list of the current year after the February settlement next succeeding the election, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk or Fiscal Officer of Perry Township, Logan County, Ohio, be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Board of Elections of Logan County, Ohio and notify said Board of Elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law. Mr. Ken Rosebrook seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows: Mr. John Brose, aye Mr. John Gibson, aye Mr. Ken Rosebrook aye.

Adopted this 9th day of June, 2025.

Fire Chief, Mr. Dan McElfresh, reported that on a run-on April 27, 2025, it was a cardiac arrest run and when the Medic arrived at the residence, an 11-year boy, Weston Heffelfinger was performing CPR to the patient. The Fire Department wanted to recognize this young man for his actions. Chief stated that this is an honor for the fire department association to present a plaque to Weston. The Chief stated that in all his years he has never seen a child doing CPR on a patient when he arrived on a run. Captain Jessica Gibson presented the plaque to Weston. Trustee, Ken Rosebrook also presented a Dairy Queen gift card to Weston.

JD brought up about the cemetery bases, Lazy H is planning on doing the bases the middle of June. They would like to do us and West Mansfield at the same time. But, as of now, West Mansfield does not have anyone to dig their holes for them.

JD reported that the trees at his Cemetery have been removed. Jeff Johnson will be taking the wood and he will get it cleaned up when it dries off.

JD sent a message to the Amish about working at the park and has not heard anything back from them.

JD had 2 quotes for the new 200-amp panel for the Lodge with 42 circuits and a 100-amp sub panel in the stairwell of the kitchen area. The quotes were from HBI Electric and Eubanks Electric. The quotes were: Eubanks Electric \$ 6,784.00 and HBI Electric \$7,100.15. There was some discussion about the quotes. And if we are going to change the meter base now or not. Dean of HBI didn't think we needed to do it at this time. John made a motion to hire Eubanks Electric and go with upgrading the meter and riser outside, seconded by Kenny. John, yes, JD, abstained and Kenny, yes. We need to sign the quote for Eubanks and we need to pay 50% down for them to get us scheduled.

Kenny reported that he put the Land Bank Demolition application on our website.

Kenny reported that Max McIntire of McIntire Painting, that was hired to paint the restrooms at the park, he has had to have gall bladder surgery. So, Kenny moved him to the middle of July so that the restroom isn't down for the July 5th Celebration.

Kenny reported that he received an email from Skip Judd from the County. This pertains to the paving of Bible Road and Wolever Road, the dates have been changed from the August 28 to the Honda July shut down time frame.

Kenny talked to Lloyd Oliver of the North Greenfield Church about any funds to go to the North Greenfield Cemetery, Lloyd said he did recall years ago that the church purchased some burial lots for a needy family, and they purchased some trees for the

Cemetery as well. Lloyd was going to call a meeting at the church to see if anyone knew anything else about the Cemetery. Kenny told him; we were not looking for any funds from them.

Cindy reported that she received a draft of the Perry Township Audit. She gave each Trustee a copy of the audit. If we want to have a meeting with Perry & Associates about the audit, we need to sign the 1 form and send back in. If not, and we are good with the draft report, then the Fiscal Officer and the Chairman need to sign off on the audit and send it back to Perry & Associates. Then they can send it in to the State to get approval. All Trustees agreed that they did not need to have a meeting, they were fine with the report

Kenny checked with the Fire Chief to make sure there will be coverage for the July Celebration at the Park on July 5th. Chief told him yes, it will be covered.

Kenny received an email from Sarah Franjesevic, health and safety manager at TRC, about the upcoming active shooting training for July 4th. Will the fire department be involved with this? Chief stated that he has gotten the same emails that Kenny had gotten. Chief sent her back an email and he has not heard anything back from her yet. Chief said that the department is available to help with whatever she needs from the department.

Kenny plans to attend the LUC meeting on Thursday.

Cindy thanked the fire dept. for picking up Tim a couple weeks ago, everything went really well.

Linda brought up about the dog park again, she suggested that we put up a fence and have certain hours that the dog park would be open. John said he didn't think there is enough room up there for this. Kenny said if he has to answer today, he would say no. It was suggested to keep thinking about this.

Kara Slonecker brought up about the new fencing at the North Greenfield Cemetery, she said that it looks really nice and do we have any plans to do the other 2 cemeteries? Probably not going to do the other 2 cemeteries.

Kara reported that there will be a meeting Wednesday night at the Lodge about the Solar. She stated that they will be going over the financial report. She went to the Records Office and there are 2 lease holders that have been released, Cronkleton and MJR Farms. Kara said 82% is Don Hayes property and Rice is still in the project.

Dan Ackley, zoning Inspector, reported that he did not write any permits in the last month. He did report that Michael Lucky called him about if he needed a permit for engineering work with fiber. Dan told him he did not need a permit.

Tom Riley, would he need a permit for a 10 x 10 building that is removable, Dan told him yes, he would need one.

Dan stated that they had his son's graduation party in the middle shelter house last weekend and it was really nice. The shelter house looks great.

Sandy Wilcox would like to have a horse/buggy sign posted on C.R. 142/C.R.10. We need to contact the County to see about a sign. The Amish is using this road every Sunday. Kenny said he would contact Skip Judd and see about a sign.

Darin Brogan, brought up about July 5th Fireworks, he needs help closing off the Cemetery on C.R. 10. It needs to be taped off and closed at noon. Darin said they could be prosecuted if they go in past the taped off area. There is not to be anyone to close to where they fireworks are set off.

Fire Chief, Dan McElfresh gave his monthly report. There was 17 runs this past month, no runs were missed. Chief went over the fill rate for the month. Chief reported on the maintenance on the vehicles. The ground ladder testing has been completed.

The department members completed 166 hours of training for May.

Chief then reported the expenditures for the past month. The Chief attended the Logan County EMS meeting on May 13, 2025.

Chief brought up about the Station Renovation, we are waiting for the list from the architect for surveyors and core sampling companies.

The annual ladder testing is complete and all ladders passed.

Chief brought up about the response from Breanne of the Prosecuting Attorney's Office regarding the ORC Section 505.60 about the FF/EMS personnel work changing from the 1500 hours to 1976 hours per year. By what the Chief reads from her response it is not a Trustee decision, we have to go by the ORC 505.60 ruling. So, Kenny made a motion to revise our 1500-hour form to a 1976-hour form, seconded by John. John, yes, JD, abstained and Kenny, yes. Cindy will get new forms ready and get them to the Chief.

Chief reported that the annual hose testing is ¾ of the way done.

Chief requested a \$615.00 quote from Leonard's Garage to remove the old muffler and install a new muffler on Utility 41. The current muffler has a hole in it. John made a motion for said purchase, seconded by JD. John, yes, JD, yes and Kenny, yes.

Chief brought up about the new generator for the firehouse is in and being stored. Could we go ahead and put the generator at the back of the firehouse for now. This is the generator that we purchased through the ARPA money. After some discussion, John made a motion to go ahead and install the generator, seconded by Kenny. John, yes, JD, yes and Kenny, yes.

Cindy read Nikki's report, The lodge was rented 9 times, 8 being non-profit. The Community Room was rented 13 times and the Park was rented 9 times. Nikki had on her report that there needs to be a new net for the basketball hoop, and the busted backboard on the basketball court. Nikki wanted to know if the water got fixed so that she can power wash the bathrooms at the park, it has not been fixed yet. Nikki reported that she took 4 days to scrub the tables, chair and floors in the Community Room.

John made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Kenny. John, yes, JD, yes and Kenny, yes.

TOTAL OF BILLS: \$79,133.12

INCOME FOR MAY: \$30,398.75

John made a motion for adjournment, seconded by JD. John, yes, JD, yes and Kenny, yes.

Respectfully submitted by:

Cindy Stalling, fiscal officer

Accepted by Perry Township Trustees:

John Brose

John (JD) Gibson

Kenny Rosebrook