

The Board of Perry Township Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, July 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Room in East Liberty. Roll Call; John (JD) Gibson, present, John Brose, present, Kenny Rosebrook, present and Cindy Stalling, present. Also present was Larry Wellington, Linda Baldrige, Jack Reser, Nikki Yelton, Chief Dan McElfresh, Jessica Gibson, Jeremy Burnside, Todd Wisse, Renee Rosebrook and Dan Coats.

Chairman Gibson called the meeting to order and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the previous meeting was given to the Trustees to read prior to this Meeting. Mr. Gibson asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes, Then asked if there were any additions or corrections to the financial statements that were given to the Trustees from the fiscal officer. They both stand approved by the trustees.

Mr. Jack Reser, Logan County Auditor, was here to present the Park Levy that the Trustees want to put on the November ballot.

Mr. John Brose made a motion to pass the following Resolution: This is a Necessity Resolution: 070824 A

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 Park Expenses pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 5705.19 to be placed on the ballot for the general election to be held on the 5th day of November, 2024 and to be collected beginning with tax year 2025.

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 Gibson seconded the Resolution and the vote being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. John Gibson	aye
Mr. John Brose	aye
Mr. Ken Rosebrook	aye

Adopted this 8th day of July, 2024

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

1. On July 8, 2024, the authority of the Perry Township, Logan County certified a copy of its resolution or ordinance adopted July 8, 2024, requesting the county auditor to certify the current tax valuation of the subdivision and the number of mills necessary to produce \$55,000 of revenue, to levy a tax outside the 10-mill limitation for Perry Township Parks Current Expense purposes pursuant to Revised Code 5705.19, to be placed on the ballot at the November 5, 2024, 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 \$35.00 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 \$79,181,220

Mr. John Gibson moved the adoption of the following Resolution: 070824 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 Parks for the purpose of parks operation or improvements. At a rate not exceeding 1 (one) mills, 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: 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029.

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 5th day of November, 2024 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. John Brose seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. John Gibson	aye
Mr. John Brose	aye
Mr. Ken Rosebrook	aye

Adopted this 8th day of July, 2024.

Mr. Brose stated that we decided to go with the renewals, as it won't raise anyone's taxes from what they are already paying now.

Kenny brought up that the Trustees need to reach out to the residents as to what we have in mind to do at the park with this levy being put on the ballot.

Kenny reported that he received a letter from Honda about seeing if they would donate a generator to Perry Township. Honda told him that they have closed their donation cycle as of now. They will be open for donations again in the fall.

The Trustees are debating on purchasing a full house generator for the firehouse at this time.

Kenny reported that he met with Gates Brothers about getting new windows at the restroom at the park and also a couple windows in the Community Room. They will call when the windows are ready for installation.

Kenny had quotes for cleaning out the fence row at the North Greenfield Cemetery. Quote from Superior Bobcat for \$22,673.60 and a quote from G&O Enterprises for \$15,130.00. Jeremy Burnside owner of Superior Bobcat went over his quote. He said he would have to bring in 16 dumpsters and that costs big money for that, which makes his quote larger. Kenny still needs to get quotes for new fencing. And also, the line surveyed. This project will be done in the fall, after the crops are off.

Cindy reported that Kenny went ahead and sent in the application for the United Way day. Kenny reported that the United Way accepted our application to come out to Perry Township on "the United Way" day.

Cindy sent in those Capital Outlay Resolutions into the State but has not heard anything back from them yet.

JD reported that the project in Harry Bray's yard is done now.

JD reported that the new Perry Township sign at the park is done, it looks really nice.

JD had a quote from HBI Electric for a whole house generator for the firehouse. The quote was \$13,393.00. Chief Dan said that this is the goal for the fire department is to get the whole house generator. After some discussion, Kenny made a motion to accept this quote from HBI, seconded by John. Cindy brought up that we should use the ARPA money for this. Kenny wanted to use the fire fund money, but Cindy said she wants to use the ARPA money as it needs to be earmarked before the end of the year. So, we need to make a Resolution instead of a motion. Kenny moved the following Resolution:

Resolution 071224C

Mr. Kenny Rosebrook moved the following:

WHEREAS, this project is for purchasing a GENERAC Generator for Perry Township Firehouse located at 3265 State Street, East Liberty, Ohio 43319.

WHEREAS, the firehouse only has a small generator at this time. This generator a GENERAC will be a whole house generator, it will provide electric to both buildings located at the fire station.

WHEREAS, this would provide shelter and safety to the residents of Perry Township in case of a tornado warning or other electric outages.

THEREFORE, the quote from HBI Electric of 10164 C.R. 10, East Liberty, Ohio 43319 for \$13,393.00 has been accepted. This project will be funded from the ARPA fund #2273.

THEREFORE, HBI Electric will:
Get permit from Logan County
Contact AES to pull the meter
Install one 24 KW generator behind the firehouse in the location that was discussed
Install one 200-amp automatic transfer switch next to the meter
Install conduit and wire from the meter base to the transfer switch
Install conduit and wire from the transfer switch to the breaker panel
Install conduit and wire from the transfer switch to the generator
Have the gas line installed from the gas meter to the generator
Have Logan County inspect the install
Have AES re-install the meter
Do a start-up and registration on the generator

Mr. John Brose seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. John Gibson

aye

Mr. John Brose aye

Mr. Kenny Rosebrook aye

John brought up that there is 4 big limbs behind the North Greenfield Church that are hanging over the road (bridge) and need removed. John will call Del-Mar Tree Service.

John reported about the clean out of the culvert on 141. There is also a branch over the pump house at the Park.

Kenny report that he will be attending the LUC meeting on July 11. And the County Twp. Quarterly meeting will be July 18 with a picnic at Belle Center.

Kenny brought up about meeting R J McAlroy of McAlroy Painting & Epoxy about fixing the gaps in the concrete, in the restrooms at the Park, getting some options from him. Kenny will meet with him on July 10 at 10:00 a.m.

Kenny brought up some suggestions for Perry Park with putting the levy on the ballot. Some of his suggestions are:

New counter top at the back shelter house, replace with some stainless, install a new ceiling in the shelter house, install a new well in the front shelter house, put in small restrooms at the front shelter house, new swings at playground, install a pickle ball court, put in a beach volleyball court, put in new fencing along the drive and put up lighting around the existing basketball court, these are just some of his suggestions. There was lots of discussion on these suggestions.

Nikki brought up that the ball association would like for Perry Township to purchase some abutting property for more ball diamonds. Trustees have talked to the abutting property owners and neither one of them want to sale any of their land. Nikki had a list of suggestions for Perry Park also and it was comparable to Kenny's list.

Nikki would like to have a new pressure washer for the park for cleaning the tables and the restrooms.

Kenny brought up that we have our annual road meeting at the Engineer's Office on August 1, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

JD brought up about the septic tile at the Park. Kelly's is coming out tomorrow to snake it and see if they can find the problem. There was lots of water problems down there on Saturday at our July celebration.

Kenny reported that there is a leak in the pump house.

Kenny brought up about the horse trough. John called Marquis and he said he was going to come look at it and call John afterwards and John hasn't heard anything back from him. John still thinks that he and Todd can fix it by putting a sleeve over the pipe.

Cindy reported that she has done her 3 hr. Public Records training and also did a BWC webinar. She also brought up that everyone has to take a fraud training and get a certificate, this has to be done every term. Cindy had papers for the Trustees to sign stating that they were informed of this training.

JD brought up about the foundation at the cemeteries, are we going to pour next month? Kenny wants to follow up with a couple of his that are wanting to have foundations and he told them it would be done in October. To let them know it will be done earlier.

JD said that PTEC wants to know if we can widen the drive at the Park? Especially from the small shelter house to the concession stand? There was lots of discussion on this subject.

Chief Dan gave his monthly report. The department had 12 runs since last meeting. All runs were responded to none were missed. We had 1 mutual aid run from Allen Twp. The rub rail and marker light were repaired by Sutphen with no charge. Chief went over the expenditures in the last month.

Chief reported that the department provided CPR/first aid training to employees of New Day Egg farms on June 28, 2024. The department participated in the Rushsylvania Independence Day Celebration parade on June 29, 2024.

Chief reported that he received a resignation letter from Everett Covert, he will be moving to Michigan.

Chief reported that yesterday the department took the fire truck up to the fairgrounds for the Demo Derby. They will also be taking the squad to the fairgrounds on Wednesday and Thursday for coverage.

Chief reported that he will meet with Reno Stapleton of Link Construction in the next week or two to obtain an idea on cost of the renovation to the firehouse. Chief will let the Trustees know the date and time.

Chief reported that they received the new adapters approved at the June meeting for Tanker 41. All adapters have been placed on Tanker 41. Chief reported that the annual ground ladder testing will take place in July from Command Company. The testing company will advise us of a date next week.

Chief went over the MARCS radio authentication. 5 of our radios will need to be replaced by July 1, 2025. 4 will need to be updated, Chief is getting quotes for the update. Chief's plan is to apply for a grant from the state fire Marshall to update and replacement. This grant does not open for applications until the fall of 2024 with the grant being awarded in January 2025.⁸⁷

Chief reported that AES electric company will be replacing the electric pole just north of the trough in the next 2 to 3 weeks. AES stated that during the time of installation the fire station

will be without power for 4-5 hours. AES will let the department know 24 hours prior to the start of replacement.

Nikki gave her monthly report: Wanted to thank the Fire Dept for cleaning out the shelter houses for her. She also wanted to thank the Trustees and Renee for all their help in covering for her for the months of June and July while she was at baseball with her son. The Lodge was rented 5 times, the Community Room was rented out 13 times and the Park was reserved 6 times. Nikki would like to have a small power washer, a leaf blower, a shelf put up in that back closet for storage, and she said that the soap dispensers in the bathrooms at the park needs replaced. Kenny brought up that there is a spigot outside the restrooms for the power washer.

Trustees are happy with Todd's work for us.

Larry Wellington brought up about dogs on Hamilton Street running loose. There is 3 dogs, the Sheriff's has been out and cited the owner. The 1 dog goes after people. The Sheriff told JD to shoot them. Larry would like for the Township to make formal complaint sent to the Sheriff's Dept. As it is not the dog's fault.

Kenny brought up about the septic behind the firehouse, it is an 800-gallon septic and the firehouse is a 2-bedroom facility so we might not have to put in a new system.

Kenny brought up about the quotes for N.G. Cemetery work. Kenny would like to get the Miller's to sign something giving the Township permission to do this work, as we will have to go on their property to do the work. Trustees want to get it surveyed. After much discussion, quotes were tabled for now.

JD made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Kenny. JD, yes, John, yes and Kenny, yes
BILLS: TOTAL \$ 78,759.96

INCOME FOR JUNE: TOTAL \$17,364.95

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