

The Board of Perry Township Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Room in East Liberty. Roll Call; John Brose, present, Kenny Rosebrook, present, John Gibson, present, and Cindy Stalling present. Also present was Larry Wellington, Doug Henry, Jessica Gibson, Leah Edwards, Jason Epp, Renee Rosebrook, Nikki Yelton, Dustin Cook, Jason Johns, Rhonda Moore, Quint Moore, Dan Ackley, Dan Coats, and Sandy Wilcox.

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. Rosebrook 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. Ken stated that there was a correction to be made in the minutes pertaining to Jenny Boudrow's name.

Mrs. Stalling brought up about receiving an old bill from Zoll. It was on the auto-pulse, which we have donated to the Medic School for practice. The bill was from June 2020. Cindy is going to call and see what she can find out about it.

Mr. Brose reported that Mr. Jack Nicholas wants to resign from the Zoning Commission Board. All Trustees are ok with this. We need Jack to give us a resignation letter.

John brought up that Dan Ackley would like to turn in his cell phone and get the phone allowance each month instead for his private phone. Mr. Rosebrook made a motion to let Dan do this, seconded by Mr. Gibson. Rosebrook, yes, Gibson, yes and Brose, yes. So, he will receive a \$50.00 phone allotment each month.

Mr. Ken Rosebrook brought up that he talked to Ben Evans about demolition of the old East Liberty Elevator. Mr. Evans said he has hired Heater Excavation out of West Liberty. There isn't a start date on it.

We received our newly updated zoning books.

Ken brought up that Brian Stierhoff contacted him about a church group camping on his property. They would be putting up tents. Would he need any new permits to do this? Dan Ackley said no he was fine to do this.

Ken reported that he and Renee have done a lot of work on our website. It looks really nice. We thanked Renee for all her work on the website.

Mr. John Gibson brought up that the ditch on 141 by Jay Ackley's has washed out. The county has been out and laid some stone. JD had a quote to clean the ditch and mulch out the trees. The quote was for \$11,000.00. It would be ½ the Twp.'s and ½ the counties

JD had a quote to extend a drive at the East Liberty Cemetery on the east side. This would make it where we could sell more lots in the cemetery. It would put a "U in around the dirt pile. The quote to do this was \$8,300.00 from Superior Bobcat. They would cut the drive in, and put in stone. The topsoil will be kept to put on top of graves. After some discussion, Kenny made a motion to accept Superior Bobcat, seconded by John. Kenny, yes, JD, yes and John, yes.

Cindy had the permanent appropriations ready for the Trustees to look over and approve. Cindy read off the totals of each fund. John made a motion to accept the permanent appropriations, seconded by Kenny. Kenny, yes, JD, yes and John, yes.

Nikki Yelton gave her report on the reservations on the rooms.

Cindy got an email that they were getting ready to start our audit. It was from Perry & Associates.

Cindy gave the Trustees a copy of the Inventory.

Cindy reported that she put \$25,000.00 in the Reserve Balance Account for the Fire Fund. It is to put money in there for new vehicles. It can be in there for 10 years. John has been wanting to do this for several years. Kenny made a motion to accept this, seconded by JD. Kenny, yes, JD, yes and John, yes.

Dan Ackley, zoning inspector, talked to Mike Hines about the cul-de-sac out by the sewer plant. It does not meet our zoning requirements. Mr. Hines wasn't very happy but said he would make changes to meet our regulations.

Dan talked to Bill Baker about requirements on C.R. 152. Dan sold 1 permit.

Dan called other zoning inspectors to see what their zoning prices were. Every twp. has different prices. We are higher than most other Twp.'s.

Dan was contacted that TRC is wanting a permit for a new building.

Larry Wellington brought up about the pay raises for the medics. Since last meeting, what we discussed at that meeting has been put on hold. Larry had a new proposal from the officers at the fire dept. They had a chart put together.

Position	Current pay	Request increase	new pay	max pay
FF/36/1/11	16.25	18.00	N/A	21.00
FF/EMT-B	16.25	18.00	17.00	21.00
FF/EMT-A	17.25	19.00	18.00	22.00
FF/EMT-P	18.25	22.00	21.00	25.00
Officer	18.25	20.00	20.00	23.00

After a lot of discussion and a lot of discussion from the floor. Pertaining to single card and dual card pays. Ken made a motion to accept this chart of pay for the fire dept employees, seconded by John. Ken, yes, JD, abstained, John, yes. This pay will take effect on 2/13/23 at 8:00 a.m.

The zoning Inspector salary was brought up. Ken made a motion to give Dan a \$50.00 a month raise and also leave the 10% of each permit he writes. Seconded by JD. Ken, yes, JD, yes and John, yes.

The full-time employees pay. Dave does not want a raise. After some discussion, Ken made a motion to give Dave a 4.5% raise, seconded by JD. Ken, yes, JD, yes and John, abstained.

The fire chief salary was brought up. After some discussion, all Trustees agreed to leave the salary at \$1,700.00 per month.

The janitor's salary was brought up. After some discussion, JD made a motion to pay the janitor \$230.00 per month for the twp. Bld, \$225.00 per month for the Lodge hall, \$290.00 per month for the Park when it is open, \$20.00 per month for the Park when it is closed, seconded by Ken. Ken, yes, JD, yes and John, yes.

Renee would like to get a new picture of the fire dept for the website.

Mr. Kane Gibson had pictures for the new sign for the Twp yard. He had a blue one and a brown one. After some discussion, and a lot of comments from the floor. Ken made a motion to accept the blue sign, seconded by John. Ken, yes, JD, yes and John, yes. The old Twp sign will be put out for bids. The bids will be opened at our next Twp mtg. We will also have 4 old skid loader tires to take bids on as well. We will be advertising on social media, everyone shares this on their social media. And the sealed bids will be opened at our March meeting.

Rhonda Moore was here to see about getting signs that would say "No Solar Equipment on Twp Roads". Can we get signs like this? Does the Trustees have the authority to do this? Rhonda and Quint just wanted to bring it to us, as there are signs like this in Hardin County. John said he would check into this and see if there is anything we can do about it.

Mr. Dan Coats reported that for the payroll at the fire dept, we will be staying on the 28 day pay schedule. We will see how it goes at the end of the year, we won't be re-starting the schedule on Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.

Sandy Wilcox had a wish list for the fire dept. It was for a platform ladder, a window reach, a gas and oil combo can, a safety spout, 20" soft wash brush and a microfiber wash mitt. It all comes to \$ 394.00. JD made a motion to purchase all items, seconded by Ken. Ken, yes, JD, yes and John, yes. All items are from Ace Hardware in Marysville.

Mr. Ken Rosebrook made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. John Gibson. Rosebrook, yes, Gibson, and Brose, yes.

TOTAL OF BILLS \$ 70,533.53

INCOME FOR JANUARY: TOTAL \$64,426.59

Mr. Ken Rosebrook made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Mr. John Brose. Rosebrook, yes, Gibson, yes and Brose, yes.