

PERKINS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

June 11, 2024

The Perkins Township Trustees met Tuesday, June 11, 2024, in the Township Services Facility located at 2610 Columbus Avenue. The Trustees present were James Ommert, James Lang, and Timothy Coleman. Chairman Coleman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 p.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 approve the minutes of the May 28th Regular Session. Mr. Lang seconded the motion. All were in favor.

FINANCIALS

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the financials for the period ending June 11th. Mr. Lang seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

To consider a recommendation of the Zoning Commission to amend the Zoning Resolution's Article 3 – Construction of Language and Definitions by adding a new Section 3.91 Interlocking Paver Grid Systems, and to amend Article 25, Section 6(4) by adding language permitting interlocking permeable paver grid systems.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2024-079

To amend Zoning Resolution Article 3 – Construction of Language and Definitions by adding a new Section 3.91 Interlocking Permeable Paver Grid Systems and renumbering subsequent Sections of that Article 3, and to amend Article 25 – Supplementary District Regulations, Section 6(4) by adding language permitting interlocking permeable paver grid systems.

Mr. Coleman moved to amend Zoning Resolution Article 3 – Construction of Language and Definitions by adding a new Section 3.91 Interlocking Permeable Paver Grid Systems and renumbering subsequent Sections of that Article 3, and to amend Article 25 – Supplementary District Regulations, Section 6(4) by adding language permitting interlocking permeable paver grid systems. Mr. Lang seconded. Mr. Coleman opened a Public Hearing on this matter. Planning and Zoning Inspector Adam Panas provided the Board with visual references of the Interlocking Permeable Paver Grid Systems. He then discussed how the proposed resolution would create definitions as recommended and allow residents to use these paver grid systems as part of the improved surfaces definition. Mr. Ommert commended Adam Panas's work and research on the subject. He asked where people can purchase these systems, Adam responded with great options being available online. Mr. Lang suggested Menards and Lowes as options as well. Mr. Coleman thanked Mr. Panas for his research. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2024-80

Hire Russell W. Hellinger as a full-time Firefighter, Class A, effective June 15, 2024.

Mr. Coleman moved to Hire Russell W. Hellinger as a full-time Firefighter, Class A, effective June 15, 2024. Mr. Lang seconded. Chief Murphy provided background information on Russell Hellinger including his education and that he is highly recommended to the Department. Administrator Boyle also recommended that Russell

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Hellinger be accepted by the Board. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2024-81

Amend Resolution 2024-76 to change the effective start date for full-time Firefighter Dylan Willard to June 18, 2024.

Mr. Coleman moved to Amend Resolution 2024-76 to change the effective start date for full-time Firefighter Dylan Willard to June 18, 2024. Mr. Lang seconded. Dylan Willard's start date was originally scheduled for June 19th, 2024. Chief Murphy is recommending that the start date be changed to June 18th, 2024, to accommodate scheduling issues. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2024-82

Authorize the submittal of a grant application under the Ohio Ambulance Affected Industry Program and accept the grant if so awarded.

Mr. Coleman moved to Authorize the submittal of a grant application under the Ohio Ambulance Affected Industry Program and accept the grant if so awarded. Mr. Lang seconded. Chief Murphy explained that this Grant is similar to the one awarded last year. The Department would use the Grant Award for retention and hiring bonuses. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2024-83

Authorize the submittal of three (3) grant applications to OTARMA for funding to offset the cost of Administration, Police and Fire Lexipol policies, and accept the grants if so awarded.

Mr. Coleman moved to Authorize the submittal of three (3) grant applications to OTARMA for funding to offset the cost of Administration, Police and Fire Lexipol policies, and accept the grants if so awarded. Mr. Lang seconded. Administrator Boyle provided information on the Grant offers OTARMA offers. He explained the process of applying, as recommended by Ashley Ohlemacher, and that Perkins Township is typically awarded. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2024-84

Declare a subsequent nuisance condition and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87 for vegetation in excess of 6 inches in height on vacant property located at 3508 Spencer Avenue (PPN 32-02325.000).

Mr. Coleman moved to declare a subsequent nuisance condition and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87 for vegetation in excess of 6 inches in height on vacant property located at 3508 Spencer Avenue (PPN 32-02325.000). Mr. Lang seconded. Director Byington reported that this nuisance has been reoccurring. In 2023 there was a resolution passed involving this issue on the property, and the Township has 12 months to qualify the property as having an ongoing issue. Mr. Ommert asked Director Byington if she was aware of any details the owner may be experiencing that is keeping them from maintaining the vegetation. Director Byington explained that the situation was unknown. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Resolution 2024-85

Declare a Stryker patient cot as being surplus to the Fire Department and Township's needs, remove the same from inventory, and dispose of as deemed appropriate.

Mr. Coleman moved to Declare a Stryker patient cot as being surplus to the Fire Department and Township's needs, remove the same from inventory, and dispose of as deemed appropriate. Mr. Lang seconded. Chief Murphy explained that this piece of equipment was no longer used or needed. The extra cot is a previous model, and the Department is looking to clean up space. Mr. Coleman asked if there were any other agency, etc. in need of the cot. Chief Murphy and Administrator Boyle suggested that the equipment could be donated to Firelands. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2024-86

Apply for and accept if awarded, the Community Investment Grant through the Erie County Commissioners office.

Mr. Coleman moved to Apply for and accept if awarded, the Community Investment Grant through the Erie County Commissioners office. Mr. Lang seconded. Director Link provided information on how he was made aware of the grant and that the Township should apply for the grant. The county is making a total of \$500,000 available to all communities. We have no information on the maximum award amount. If awarded, the intent would be to improve and repair Schiller Ave. as part of the Safe Route to School Program. 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 added that there were no major events during Bike Week. The Township had the support of State Patrol as they enforced traffic.

Fire Department – Chief Murphy's report was submitted in writing. He agreed with Chief Musser that Bike Week was generally quiet.

Public Works Department – Director Link's report was submitted in writing. He Requests a Resolution to Hire Savannah Izzard on June 12th, 2024, as a Part-Time Employee for the Summer Parks Program.

Resolution 2024-87

Hire Savannah Izzard on June 12th, 2024, as a Part-Time Employee for the Summer Parks Program.

Mr. Coleman moved to hire Savannah Izzard on June 12th, 2024, as a Part-Time Employee for the Summer Parks Program. Mr. Lang seconded. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Community Development – Director Byington's report was submitted in writing. Community Development would like to request a public hearing on June 25th, regarding the Zoning Map changes.

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Administrator – Administrator Boyle’s report was submitted in writing. He reported that all the Departments are currently working on the Tax Budget. He hopes that it may be presented by the end of the month, as adoption is required by mid-July. He thanked all who attended the re-dedication of the Veterans’ Cemetery improvements, especially Brad, Brittany, and staff for their hard work in making it special. Administrator Boyle has also been attending meetings including a future meeting on strategic planning for GSP and ECEDC. He also stated that Safety Town was a success, and that the Bike Rodeo was a great time.

Notices/Correspondence

- Next Regular Meeting – June 25 @ 8:30 a.m.

Fiscal Officer Comments

- Payments for the period May 28 – June 11 total \$262,027.46 for standard billing and administrative costs.
- We are working with UBS for upcoming matured investments, in which the Investment Board will continue to reinvest appropriately.

Trustees’ Discussion

No additional business discussed at this time.

Public Forum

No comments were received by the public.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Coleman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Lang seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Meeting adjourned.

Timothy Coleman, Chairman

Alexis Koch, Fiscal Officer