

PERKINS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

July 8, 2025

The Perkins Township Trustees met on Tuesday, July 8, 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 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Mr. Coleman moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Lang seconded the motion. All were in favor.

FINANCIALS

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the financials for the period ending July 4th, Mr. Lang seconded the motion. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing: Declare a subsequent nuisance condition for tall grass located at 322 Michigan Avenue (PPN#32-00243.000) and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87.

Resolution 2025-91

**Declare a subsequent nuisance condition for tall grass located at
322 Michigan Avenue.**

Mr. Coleman moved to declare a subsequent nuisance condition for tall grass located at 322 Michigan Avenue (PPN#32-00243.000) and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87. Mr. Lang seconded. Code Enforcement Officer McClain explained the subsequent offense as continuing, with the anticipation of maintaining it through the growing season. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Public Hearing: Declare a nuisance condition for tall grass on a vacant lot on Milan Road (PPN 32-04790.000), located to the north of 6511 Milan Road, and ordering abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87.

Resolution 2025-92

Declare a nuisance condition for tall grass on a vacant lot on Milan Road (PPN 32-04790.000), located to the north of 6511 Milan Road.

Mr. Coleman moved to Declare a nuisance condition for tall grass on a vacant lot on Milan Road (PPN 32-04790.000), located to the north of 6511 Milan Road, and ordering abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87. Mr. Lang seconded. Code Enforcement Officer McClain explained this is a subsequent offense and the owners have been contacted. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Public Hearing: Declare a nuisance condition for vegetation exceeding 6 inches in height at 2705 Carbon Avenue (PPN 32-00978.000) and ordering abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87.

Resolution 2025-93

**Declare a nuisance condition for vegetation exceeding 6 inches in
height at 2705 Carbon Avenue.**

Mr. Coleman moved to declare a nuisance condition for vegetation exceeding 6 inches in height at 2705 Carbon Avenue (PPN 32-00978.000) and ordering abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87. Mr. Lang seconded. Code Enforcement Officer McClain explained that this would be the first step in the process of correcting this nuisance. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Public Hearing: Declare a nuisance condition for vegetation exceeding 6 inches in height at 3018 Ferry Lane (PPN 32-03626.000) and ordering abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87.

Resolution 2025-94

Declare a nuisance condition for vegetation exceeding 6 inches in height at 3018 Ferry Lane.

Mr. Coleman moved to declare a nuisance condition for vegetation exceeding 6 inches in height at 3018 Ferry Lane (PPN 32-03626.000) and ordering abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.87. Mr. Lang seconded. Code Enforcement Officer McClain explained that the owners are aware of the nuisance, and have agreed to mow the lawn, but it has not been done yet to date. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Public Hearing: Declare a certain vehicle parked on Boston Road in the public right of way as a junk motor vehicle and cause its immediate removal pursuant to ORC Section 505.871.

Resolution 2025-95

Declare a certain vehicle parked on Boston Road in the public right of way as a junk motor vehicle and cause its immediate removal.

Mr. Coleman moved to declare a certain vehicle parked on Boston Road in the public right of way as a junk motor vehicle and cause its immediate removal pursuant to ORC Section 505.871. Mr. Lang seconded. Code Enforcement Officer McClain explained the vehicle has been deemed inoperable and is parked in the right-of-way. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Public Hearing: Declare a certain vehicle parked at 402 Boston Road (PPN#32-00641.000) a junk motor vehicle and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.871.

Resolution 2025-96

Declare a certain vehicle parked at 402 Boston Road (PPN#32-00641.000) a junk motor vehicle and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.871.

Mr. Coleman moved to declare a certain vehicle parked at 402 Boston Road (PPN#32-00641.000) a junk motor vehicle and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.871. Mr. Lang seconded. Code Enforcement Officer McClain explained there is an additional vehicle parked on this property on Boston Road, this vehicle is also inoperable and owned by the same person as the vehicle previously mentioned. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Public Hearing: Declare a certain vehicle parked at 2807 Merriweather Road (PPN#32-00478.000) a junk motor vehicle and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.871.

Resolution 2025-97

Declare a certain vehicle parked at 2807 Merriweather Road a junk motor vehicle and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.871.

Mr. Coleman moved to declare a certain vehicle parked at 2807 Merriweather Road (PPN#32-00478.000) a junk motor vehicle and order abatement pursuant to ORC Section 505.871. Mr. Lang seconded. Code Enforcement Officer McClain explained that the vehicle has an expired registration, is inoperable, and the property owner has been contacted. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Public Hearing:

To consider a recommendation of the Zoning Commission that the text of the Zoning Resolution's Article 21 Heavy Industrial District (1-2), Section 21.2 Conditionally Permitted Uses, be amended to align with the current Ohio Fire Code regulations and to require that a license be obtained from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of the State Fire Marshal.

Community Development Director Blanca explained that these amendments are minor, keeping up to date with changes in laws and regulations. This change would require the permit to be obtained through the State.

Scott Allison of 5903 Milan rd. voiced his concerns with changing regulations. Director Blanca explained again that regulations are not changing, but rather the entity in which the permit for firework sales needs to be obtained.

Resolution 2025-98

Mr. Coleman moved to amend Article 21 "Heavy Industrial District" (1-2), Section 21.2 Conditionally Permitted Uses, Subsection 3 Fireworks Sales, to read Licensed Fireworks Wholesaler, and amending Subsection 3, paragraph c) to read that "a license has been obtained from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of the State Fire Marshal" and eliminating the language stating that it be obtained from the appropriate Perkins Township Fire Department official as described in P2800.2 of the Perkins Township Fire Code. Mr. Lang seconded. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-99

Approve Memorandum of Understanding between Perkins Township and Ohio Department of Veterans Services - Ohio Veterans Homes Police Department.

Mr. Coleman moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding between Perkins Township and Ohio Department of Veterans Services - Ohio Veterans Homes Police Department. Mr. Lang seconded. Chief Murphy explained that this was a gentleman's agreement, but it would now need to be formal, as it is agreed upon this year. This would allow both operations to perform duty at each other's location during an emergency. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-100

Approve second amendment to Ashley Ohlemacher's Schedule A as attached.

Mr. Coleman moved to approve second amendment to Ashley Ohlemacher's Schedule A as attached. Mr. Lang seconded. Administrator Boyle explained this was a result from discussion in Ohlemacher's annual employee review. This recommendation comes well deserved with her outstanding performance across departments. Chairman Coleman agreed and said he concurred with the previous comments on Ohlemacher's high caliber work with the Township. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-101

Apply for and accept if so, awarded the OPWC Round 40 Grant.

Mr. Coleman moved to apply for and accept, if so, awarded the OPWC Round 40 Grant. Mr. Lang seconded. Director Link explained that he received notice for Round 40 Grant application due on September 12th to the county. Public Service Coordinator added that we are looking at roads that would qualify, but funding is not guaranteed. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Resolution 2025-102

Apply for and accept if so, awarded the Federal Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Grant through the Federal Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office).

Mr. Coleman moved to apply for and accept if so, awarded the Federal Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Grant through the Federal Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office). Mr. Lang seconded. Chief Musser explained that we have never applied for this Grant before, that it pertains to wellness and mental health. If awarded, we would move forward with an officer wellness program. Chairman Coleman added that this is a much-needed tool. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-103

Apply for and accept if so, awarded the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant through the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) (JAG Grant).

Mr. Coleman moved to apply for and accept if so, awarded the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant through the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) (JAG Grant). Mr. Lang seconded. Chief Musser explained that we've received the J.A.G. Grant in the past. We are trying to get a five-year contract with AXON for tasers, and are trying to offset the cost through the State. This application will be submitted tomorrow if approved. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-104

Establish Fund 4101 for the Fire Facility Bond.

Mr. Coleman moved to establish Fund 4101 for the Fire Facility Bond. Mr. Lang seconded. Fiscal Officer Koch explained that the establishment of a new Fund would be necessary to track the Fire Facility Bond and comes recommended through the State Auditors. Chairman Coleman agreed that this would be a best practice. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Resolution 2025-105

Approve Supplemental Appropriations for Fund 4101 in the amount of \$8,000,000.

Source: Revenue Account 4101-999-0000.

Mr. Coleman moved to approve Supplemental Appropriations for Fund 4101 in the amount of \$8,000,000. From the Source: Revenue Account 4101-999-0000. Mr. Lang seconded. Fiscal Officer Koch explained that this step is also necessary for the Board's approval, as the Fund will be supplemented by the Bond received. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

Public Hearing: To adopt the 2026 Tax Budget.

Resolution 2025-106

Adopt 2026 Tax Budget, per the attached.

Mr. Coleman moved to adopt the 2026 Tax Budget, per the attached. Mr. Lang seconded. Fiscal Officer Koch explained the process of creating the budget from the proposals of Department heads. She added that the budget has had a chance to be reviewed and edited by Department heads as well, and with a few changes it has been prepared and ready for adopting today. Roll call: Mr. Ommert, aye; Mr. Lang, aye; Mr. Coleman, aye. Resolution passed.

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Department Reports

Police Department – Chief Musser announced that July 16th is Vince Donald Day.

Fire Department – Chief Murphy notified the Board that he will be out of town in the upcoming week, but Captain Pearson will be in command.

Community Development – Director Blanca’s report was submitted in writing. She is available to answer any questions.

Public Works Department – Public Service Coordinator Henley announced that Paint Night in the Park is happening this Thursday.

Administrator – Administrator Boyle shared that he will be attending various meetings within the week such as the Police Department Banquet and with NASA and the local testing facility.

Notices/Correspondence

- Next Regular Meeting – July 22, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

Fiscal Officer Comments

- Payments for the period of June 22nd – July 4th totaled \$797,253.21. This includes payments to Rumpke for the dumpsters used at Clean Up Day, Best Equipment for repairs and maintenance to Public Works Equipment, Premier Home Professional for Community Development Grant work, Strawser Construction for crack sealing and micro surfacing, and PROTX Tactical for police vests.
- Motel Tax for the month of May totaled \$119,216.81, bringing the Township up to \$498,162.24 for the year. With the difference YTD being down by only .07% the next few summer months will be more telling on whether we will bring in more revenue than last year.
- Officer Ryan Waechter’s promotion to Class A effective 7/26/2025.

Trustees’ Discussion

There was no additional discussion.

Public Forum

Colleen Mathews of 112 Lakewood, asked about the awareness of the Terrace Court property new ownership and asked if the zoning would change in the future. It was discussed that there is no intention to change the zoning map.

Adjournment

Mr. Coleman moved to adjourn the Board’s meeting at 6:58 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