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May 26, 2009

Mr. Ferrell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Trustees William Dwelle, Timothy Coleman, and Jeffrey Ferrell answered roll call.

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

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Session of May 12, 2009. Mr. Dwelle seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mr. Coleman moved to approve the financial reports for the period ending May 26, 2009. Mr. Dwelle seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**Resolution #2009-0071**  
**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Mr. Dwelle moved to adopt the following supplemental appropriations:

**GENERAL FUND:**

1000-210-519 Police Dues & Fees	\$400.00
1000-210-599 Police Other	(\$400.00)
1000-610-190-0001 Park Salaries-Full Time	(\$3,400.00)
1000-610-190-0002 Park salaries-Part Time	\$3,400.00
1000-110-341-0069 Administration Cell Phone Fees	\$572.00
1000-110-740 Administration Equipment (Cell Phones)	\$105.00
1000-130-190-0069 Zoning Salaries-Cell Phones	(\$360.00)
1000-130-341-0069 Zoning Cell Phone Monthly Fees	\$190.00
1000-130-740 Zoning Equipment (Cell Phone)	\$35.00
1000-210-190-0069 Police Salaries-Cell Phones	(\$5,265.00)
1000-210-341-0069 Police Cell Phone Monthly Fees	\$1,195.00
1000-210-740 Police Equipment (Cell Phones)	\$650.00

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND:**

2031-330-190-0069 Salaries-Cell Phones	(\$1,080.00)
2031-330-740 Equipment (Cell Phone)	\$125.00

**CEMETERY FUND:**

2041-410-190-0001 Cemetery Salaries-Full Time	(\$3,400.00)
2041-410-190-0002 Cemetery Salaries-Part Time	\$3,400.00

**FIRE/EMS FUND:**

2192-220-190-0069 Salaries-Cell Phone	(\$1,330.00)
2192-220-740 Equipment (Cell Phones)	\$160.00

**STREET LIGHTING FUND:**

2401-310-360-0000 Contract Services	\$1,020.00
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(A damaged pole that will be added to the Street Lighting Assessments in The Meadows)

Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Ms. Schaefer explained that the first one is a transfer from one Police account to another. The park and cemetery transfers are to designate part-time wages. All the rest are for the recent change in the cell phone policy. The salary (cell phone) accounts have been reduced and the equipment accounts have been increased. Some of the departments have enough in the cell phone expense account already, but this portion will be reviewed when we get a normal invoice. The final charge is for a damaged light within in Street Lighting district. Ohio Edison is now charging this back to the Township. Mr. Coleman clarified this will occur when the source of the damage is unknown.

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Regarding the costs and legal ads for the auctions, the Board decided that the cost of the legal ad would be absorbed by Administration (General Fund). The on line expenses will be charged to the account which will receive the money from the sale.

Chief Myosky questioned that he was not consulted about the charges for the new cell phone charges. He noted that he would still need money in the Salary-Cell Phone account to pay for the early termination charges. Ms. Schaefer said that the early termination costs would not be paid out of the salary account. It would come from the expense account. Mr. Coleman explained that the new phone invoice had just been received and it took some time to compile the various charges. Ms. Schaefer agreed.

Ms. Wilke asked if we were saving money. Ms. Schaefer said that the negative figures takes the amount from the salary account where the stipends were charged. The first invoice was pro-rated and we have some credits to be issued yet. We will not know until next month how much we are actually saving, but it would appear that this would be a savings. Mr. Ferrell said that the plan is a pooled account and based on what we were spending on the stipends, unless there is some drastic increase in usage, we should see a substantial savings. Before we may have been paying a \$45 per month stipend to someone who rarely used his or her cell phone for Township business

With no further discussion, roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Resolution adopted.

**Resolution #2009-0072**  
**REPAY \$4,000 ADVANCE TO EMS GRANT FUND**

Mr. Coleman moved to repay an advance from the General Fund to the EMS Grant Fund. Mr. Dwelle seconded the motion. Mr. Dwelle said that this was to repay an advance that made several months ago in order to pay the invoices of the EMS Grant fund. Roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Resolution adopted.

**Resolution #2009-0073**  
**AGREEMENT WITH PERKINS LOCAL SCHOOLS**  
**FOR SRO/DARE OFFICERS**

Mr. Coleman moved to enter into an agreement with Perkins Local Schools as follows:

It is mutually agreed that the Perkins Township Trustees will assign two SRO/DARE officers to the Perkins Local Schools. In exchange for this service, the Perkins Local Schools agree to pay 50% of the cost of providing the officers. The costs, including benefits, are outlined on the detailed attachment.

The monetary amounts are subject to an annual adjustment after the Township receives their insurance renewal rates and wage rates. The Township will invoice the school monthly for the services.

If either party desires, this agreement can be canceled with a 30 day written notice to the other party.

Mr. Dwelle seconded the motion. Mr. Ferrell explained the background for this. The SRO/Dare program was stopped last year. We were able to assign one officer back to the schools. The schools approached us about assigning the second officer. This agreement is the result of that request. This allowed us to hire an officer to replace the permanent assignment. Kathy Mueller asked what the costs would be to the school. Ms. Schaefer said that it was approximately \$63,000 for a 12-month period. Ms. Mueller noted that they would only be in the schools 9 months. Ms. Schaefer explained that there were several activities during the summer such as Safety Town and Camp Pride. Also the

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officers are involved in fund raising activities that benefit the school and are available even during the summer months. With no further discussion, roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Resolution adopted.

**Resolution #2009-0074**

**NOXIOUS WEEDS**

Mr. Coleman moved to notify the following property owners of a noxious weed complaint and authorize the Highway Department to cut the weeds if the owners do not

Parcel #32-01079.000 4708 Kingsley Circle E, owned by Shelly & Barry Burdue  
Parcel #32-03013.000 615 E. Bogart Road, owned by Edith Roth etal  
Parcel #32-01487.000 404 Boston Road, owned by Zloro D. Johnson  
Parcel #32-00545.000 708 W. Strub Road, owned by Carolyn A. Butler

Mr. Dwelle seconded the motion. Mr. Dwelle noted that he believed that the property on Bogart Road had been mowed. Mr. Ferrell noted that there were two other pieces of property that were bad, both on Columbus Avenue. Roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Resolution adopted.

**Resolution #2009-0075**

**RECLASSIFY ACTING CHIEF PARTHEMORE**

Mr. Coleman moved to return Robb Parthemore to the position of Lieutenant in the Police Department, effective May 23, 2009. Mr. Dwelle seconded the motion. Mr. Coleman said that it was a pleasure having Acting Chief Parthemore in that position during a very trying time. Mr. Dwelle asked that a letter be placed in Lt. Parthemore's personnel file. Roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Resolution adopted.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire:**

Chief Myosky did not have anything to report this week. Everything is working.

**Highway:**

Mr. Sternberg noted that they had received positive comments on the Memorial Day services at the cemetery.

Now they turn their attention to patching potholes and park maintenance.

He still has not received the Issue II information to be able to advertise the project.

Mr. Sternberg updated the Board on the Nielson Avenue work.

He has some truck breakdowns. One was under warranty, but the other was not. Mr. Dwelle asked if it was the same as before.

**Police:**

Chief Klamar said that he has not been able to get any information regarding the repair of the traffic trailer. He has met with the entire department to beef up the patrol of the areas affected by the closing of Strub Road.

Chief Klamar presented the Department's Mission Statement.

Ms. Wilke asked if the County explained why they did not put a temporary traffic light up on either Columbus Avenue or Milan Road. Chief Klamar explained that the detour

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was not designed to go through Woodlawn, Marshall, Dewitt, etc. The detour was designed to follow traffic lights.

Mr. Sternberg said that a light on Milan Road and Menard was a work in process. It is supposed to be installed by July. Ms. Mueller asked if there was anything that could be done to expedite the installation of the light. Mr. Ferrell said that the project had been approved and it was just a matter of time.

Mr. Dwelle congratulated all departments on the Memorial Day services both at our cemetery and the Ohio Veteran's Home. Mr. Coleman echoed Mr. Dwelle's comments. It was impressive to see all the employees at the services. It says a lot as to the direction that we are taking. He also thanked the administrative department for co-coordinating the services. Mr. Ferrell thanked some of the other agencies that were part of the services. Mr. Dwelle asked that thank you letters be sent to the school for their participation.

Mr. Ferrell asked that Mr. Sternberg look into the dumping situation at the cemetery. Mr. Coleman asked if there was a trend as to when the dumping occurs. Perhaps we could have some patrols in the area. Mr. Dwelle asked if there was signage in the area. Mr. Sternberg said that there was, but it does not seem to help.

**Reports:**

The April 2009 Motel Tax collection was \$42,219.06. This is an increase of \$5,305.63 over April 2008, 14.37%. Easter 2009 was in April. Only two motels had an increase. Mr. Dwelle noted that attendance at Cedar Point was more than last year.

**Notices:**

David Rengel will give a presentation on wind turbines at the June Work Session.

There will be a viewing of the drainage project that affects Industrial parkway on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. There will be a public hearing on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Resolution #2009-0076  
CONTRACT WITH JOHN HOTY  
FOR THE SALE OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTIES**

Mr. Ferrell moved to enter into an 18-month agreement with John Hoty to market and sell the Township property at 4510 Milan Road (Fire Station #3/Sartor Park) and 5420 Milan Road (Township Administration/Police Complex), commission rate of 7% with 1% of the selling price to be donated back to the Township for the Park Fund. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Mr. Coleman asked if there was anyone expressing interest. Mr. Ferrell said that it is a buyer's market, but some agencies are still doing well. Mr. Coleman said that it was something that has been on the table for some time. Mr. Ferrell said that we are really serious we must have backup plans for the operations of the departments affected. Roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Resolution adopted.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Kathy Mueller, Patten Tract Road, asked if the agreement was to market the property or to purchase the property. Mr. Ferrell said that it was to market the sale of the property.

Ms. Mueller commented on the park on Bell Avenue. She wanted to know if the fields were playable. Mr. Coleman said that presently it is not playable. The grass needs to be re-seeded, but the weather in the spring was not suitable. Mr. Dwelle suggested putting up a sign. Mr. Ferrell also questioned the fact that we did not have a water line available. Mr. Coleman and Mr. Dwelle said that the utilities were there, just not the size and

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location that we might need. Mr. Sternberg is to prepare a list of items needed with costs for the Trustees to consider.

Cheryl Best-Wilke, Pennsylvania Avenue, had some questions regarding the home rule and administrator issues that were discussed at the last meeting. Mr. Coleman said that they are separate issues. Ms. Wilke said that the newspaper said that it was required. Mr. Ferrell said that it is for a small township. The requirement for a township of our size is to have a law director, on either full or part time basis. We currently have this.

Mr. Ferrell said that the Board must pass a resolution to place it on the ballot. The residents must approve. But we must have a law director and adopt a police district. Mr. Coppeler, our legal advisor, is checking into all the requirements.

Mr. Ferrell said it does not give us the ability to increase taxes without the approval of the residents.

Mr. Ferrell said that the biggest benefit is legislation that can be passed to improve and control the standards in the Township, mainly in the area of zoning and residential issues.

Ms. Wilke asked how traffic cases would be handled. Mr. Ferrell said there would be no change. Traffic citation would still go through Sandusky Municipal Court.

Mr. Dwelle said home rule was enacted to benefit the larger townships to give them the authority to regulate areas that effect them. Mr. Dwelle said that if they go forward the Board intends to have a least one town meeting for the residents and the Trustees to ask questions. They would like to have trustees of a home rule township attend.

Mr. Coleman said that they had not really discussed it that much at the last meeting. It was mentioned to bring it to the front burner.

Mr. Ferrell gave a number of examples of violations with fines. Mr. Ferrell echoed the intent to have a public meeting to discuss the subject.

Mr. Coleman moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Mr. Dwelle seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Motion approved.

Mr. Dwelle moved to return to regular session. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Dwelle, yes; Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes. Motion approved.

With no further business, Mr. Dwelle moved to adjourn. Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

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Jeffrey Ferrell, Chairman

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Diane Schaefer, Fiscal Officer