THE PERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION
MEETING

held on September 22, 2020

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Meeting was called to order by Trustee Mears at 7:00 p.m.

Roll called Trustee Mears, Trustee Wynne, Trustee Hartshorn

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Town Hall:
Trustee Mears thought later after COVID was over to open up and have residents come in and ask questions.
Trustee Hartshorn mentioned in February having Town Hall quarterly meetings since not everyone can attend the monthly trustees meetings and people need to know their voice means something. Locations can be at the township or around the area.
Trustee Wynne questioned if the fire station, Brookville, or NL High School where people can spread out 6’ apart since COVID will be around for quite some time.
Trustee Mears will contact both schools.
Trustee Hartshorn stated to contact both schools since Perry Township has a division line through the township.

Communication:
Trustee Mears stated communication goes along with the township hall meeting if someone has a concern and can reflect back to the township to Ms. Kaylor.
Trustee Hartshorn stated folks could reach out on Facebook, emails are listed on the website or call the township office.

Community Engagement:
Trustee Wynne is still trying to find way to get the community together. People are interested in the committees Trustee Wynne wants to start and questioned what more we can do. Discussed past programs and Trustee Wynne would like to see Christmas Decorating contest or Secret Santa’s and want to get people involved.
Trustee Hartshorn noticed a neighbor watch sign on Keener Road. The police has a neighbor watch section on their Facebook but do not think since Chief Littleton has been here there has been nothing done and Washington Township officials went to the cemeteries and opened it up for a headstone cleaning.
Trustee Wynne talked with Littleton starting a neighbor watch.
Trustee Mears stated the 4-H or boy scouts could earn credit-gathering trash along the roads.
Trustee Hartshorn stated it takes engagement time and involvement
Trustee Wynne stated the last time the board discussed a clean-up day there was concern regarding liability and questioned if this would be a concern with cemeteries as well. Trustee Hartshorn stated the cemetery clean-up is different than the headstones. Cemetery clean-up is around the outside of the cemetery but don’t remove anything from the graves.

Fund Raising/T-Shirt Sales:
Trustee Wynne stated the board never decided if we wanted to do a 200-year anniversary or T-Shirt Sale. Trustee Wynne would like to do a contest of art that
could be turned into a 200-year shirt. Trustee Wynne stated she feels we are letting this anniversary go and missing something mainly because of COVID. Trustee Hartshorn stated when the board first started talking about this the township did not have Facebook or the website up yet and feels the board could do something/more now.

Township End of Year Inventory:
Trustee Hartshorn stated he does not know what the township has done for annual inventory per the ORC. What has been done in the past, what is required to do and what is the plan for January?
Trustee Mears stated each department head does their own inventory.
Trustee Hartshorn question the township office inventory and buildings.
Trustee Mears thought the police and road department was the only inventory completed.
Trustee Wynne discussed the old books at the administration building and needing repaired.
Trustee Hartshorn discussed getting with the Brookville Historical Society and if there was something, the board could do to preserve.
Trustee Mears stated there is old books in the records room at the maintenance building. Trustee Hartshorn will met with Mr. Kraft to get keys to the records room. Discussion on ways to save the township money.
Trustee Wynne questioned what was in Perry B and if the building could be used for storage or a mini museum. Trustee Hartshorn stated Perry B is an old building and the humidity. Discussion regarding sealing Perry B, shadow boxes and grants.

Township Network Expansion:
Trustee Hartshorn spoke with Sgt. Hesler regarding the townships Wi-Fi.
Discussed available ports and guest Wi-Fi with several ports and the router cost of $229.00.
Trustee Wynne questioned the budgeting for the router. Trustee Hartshorn stated cancelling AOL the funds should be available.
Trustees discussed having a PC in the reception area.

With no other business, at 7:35 p.m.
MOTION by Trustee Mears “To Adjourn”  Second by Trustee Wynne
Roll was called: Ayes- Mears, Wynne, Hartshorn
Motion so moved

Rhonda Behnken

President,