

RESOLUTION NO. R-25-24

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE  
ON THE FIRE TRAINING FACILITY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commission of the City of Piqua, Miami County, Ohio the majority of all members elected or appointed thereto concurring:

SEC 1: That the Commission does hereby create an advisory committee, the Commissioners Committee on the Fire Training Facility, consisting of five (5) members who shall be residents of the City. The purpose of the committee shall be to create a report detailing the events from 2017 – 2023 that took place at the Fire Training Facility and to make recommendations, if necessary, to the City Commission. The report shall endeavor to answer, but not limited to, the following questions:

1. How did the site go from a proposed fire training academy to a battery testing site
2. When did fire training begin to involve batteries
3. Were all proper permits applied for and obtained
4. Who had regulatory authority over the site
5. Who was in charge of the site
6. What entities were involved with the site
  - a. What were their functions
7. What should/could be done, if anything, to prevent something like this in the future


SEC. 2: That the five members of the committee shall be and remain residents of the city, and shall be appointed, or removed, at the pleasure of the City Commission. The members of the Committee shall serve without compensation, and they shall serve until the report is submitted to the City Commission, at which point the Committee shall be disbanded. Vacancies, whether by resignation, removal, or otherwise, shall be filled in the usual manner by the City Commission for the remainder of the term. No citizen shall be eligible for appointment herein who is or was an employee of the city during the timeframe designated.

SEC. 3: A chairperson shall be appointed from the approved members by the Mayor, who shall cause the records of the Committee to be prepared and preserved and shall be required to attend all meetings of the committee. Every meeting of the Committee shall have at least three members in attendance to constitute a quorum, and all official actions of the Committee shall require a majority vote of the members of the full Committee.

SEC. 4: The Committee shall establish rules of procedure of conduct for meetings to be held at least once per month. All meetings of the Committee shall be announced in advance and open to the public. The Committee shall be required to report on their progress to the City Commission each month at the first regular city commission meeting.

SEC. 5: A city liaison shall be assigned to the Committee by the Mayor, to assist in the retrieval of documents, answer questions, arrange interviews with personnel, etc. The Committee will further have the ability to engage with third party experts or counsel as necessary with the approval of the City Commission. The city liaison will assist the Committee with authorizations needed to make expenditures if deemed necessary by the Committee.

SEC. 6: The Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

  
MAYOR

PASSED: 2/6/2024

ATTEST: Diana Tamplin  
CLERK OF COMMISSION

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was offered by Comm Vetter

seconded by Comm Hohman and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Commissioner James Vetter	<u>Yah</u>
Commissioner Paul Simmons	<u>Nah</u>
Commissioner Kris Lee	<u>Yah</u>
Commissioner Thomas Hohman	<u>Yah</u>
Commissioner Frank DeBrosse	<u>Yah</u>