

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes for a meeting held on
January 5, 2026

- 1.) The meeting was called to order by Fiscal Officer May at 7:04 p.m. at 2095 Reynoldsburg Baltimore Road, Baltimore, Ohio, with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for those in the military.

Roll Call:

Matt Bader- Present
Robert Alt- Present
Randy Kemmerer- Present
Rick May- Present
David Keller-Present
Gregory Vannatta- Present
David Leith-Present
Jeff Austin-Absent
Staci Vannatta-Present
Jarrod Mahaffey-Present
John Daft-Present

- 2.) Newley Elected Trustees Matt Bader and Randy Kemmerer were sworn in by the Fiscal Officer Rick May.

- 3.) Comments from the floor:

- a.) Sgt. Williams from the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office distributed Township stats from the month of December. Sgt. Williams also introduced Deputy Beavers who is taking over duties as the Litter Control Officer.
- 4.) At 7:08 p.m. Trustee Alt made a motion to go into executive session to discuss legal and personnel matters. Trustee Kemmerer seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Kemmerer-yes
Bader-yes

- 5.) At 8:35 p.m. Trustee Alt made a motion to return to regular session. Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Bader-yes
Kemmerer-yes

- 6.) Fiscal Officer May called for nominations for the election of Chairman for 2026. Trustee Alt nominated Trustee Kemmerer. Trustee Bader moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Kemmerer seconded the motion.

Roll call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Kemmerer
Kemmerer-Kemmerer
Bader-Kemmerer

- 7.) Newly elected Chairman Kemmerer called for nominations of Vice Chairman for 2026. Trustee Bader nominated Trustee Alt. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Alt
Kemmerer-Alt
Bader-Alt

- 8.) The minutes from the December 15, 2025 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Trustee Alt and seconded by Trustee Kemmerer.

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Kemmerer-yes
Bader-abstain

- 9.) Trustee Bader moved to approve Resolution 1-2026 (time and place of meetings). Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Bader-yes
Alt-yes- yes
Kemmerer- yes

- 10.) Trustee Bader moved to approve Resolution 2-2026 to allow for the disposal of Township property through an internet auction site or best approved means of disposal. Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Bader-yes
Alt-yes
Kemmerer-yes

11.) Trustee Alt moved to approve Resolution 3-2026 making the Fiscal Officer the designee for Certified Public Records Training per ORC 109.43 for the Trustees. Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Bader-yes
Kemmerer-yes

12.) Trustee Bader moved to approve Resolution 4-2026 authorizing the Fiscal Officer to use signature stamp when approved. Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Bader -yes
Alt-yes
Kemmerer-yes

13.) The Chairman called for nomination for liaison to the Road Department. Trustee Bader nominated Trustee Alt. Trustee Alt moved the nominations be closed. Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Bader-Alt
Alt-Alt
Kemmerer-Alt

14.) The Chairman called for nomination for liaison to the Cemetery Department. Trustee Alt nominated Trustee Bader. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed. Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Bader
Kemmerer-Bader
Bader-Bader

15.) The Chairman announced that Trustee Alt had been appointed to the Fire Board in December 2025 and no nominee is needed at this time.

16.) The Chairman called for nominations for representative to Fairfield County Health District Council for 2026. Trustee Alt nominated Trustee Kemmerer. Trustee Keller moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Kemmerer

Bader-Kemmerer

Kemmerer-Kemmerer

17.) The Chairman called nominations for a representative to Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission for 2026. Trustee Alt nominated Jarrod Mahaffey. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed. Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Mahaffey

Kemmerer-Mahaffey

Bader-Mahaffey

18.) The Chairman called nominations for a representative to the Village of Baltimore for 2026. Trustee Bader nominated John Daft. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed. Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Bader-Daft

Alt-Daft

Kemmerer-Daft

19.) The Chairman called for nominations for Liberty Township Zoning Commission (Edwin Miller's term expired 12-31-2025). Trustee Alt nominated Edwin Miller to a 4-year term. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Miller

Kemmerer-Miller

Bader-Miller

Terms are:

Shane Hamilton	12-31-2026
Clint Morris	12-31-2027
Cathy Smith	12-31-2028
Kyle Schrader	12-31-2029
Edwin Miller	12-31-2030

20.) The Chairman called for nominations to the Liberty Township Zoning Commission as an alternate, (Russell Henestofel's term expired 12-31-2025) for a one-year term expiring 12-31-2026. Trustee Alt nominated Russell Henestofel. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll Call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Henestofel
Bader- Henestofel
Kemmerer-Henestofel

21.) The Chairman called for nominations to the Liberty Township Zoning Commission as an alternate, (John Daft's term expired 12-31-2025) for a one-year term expiring 12-31-2026. Trustee Alt nominated John Daft. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Daft
Kemmerer-Daft
Bader-Daft

22.) The Chairman called for nominations to the Liberty Township Zoning Board of Appeals (Rob Stillwell's term expired 12-31-2025). Trustee Alt nominated Rob Stilwell to a 4-year term. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Stilwell
Kemmerer-Stilwell
Bader-Stilwell

Terms are:

Dale Jagger	12-31-2026
Jack Shafer	12-31-2027
Tom Marsh	12-31-2028
David Stone	12-31-2029
Rob Stilwell	12-31-2030

23.) The Chairman called for nominations to the Liberty Township Zoning Board of Appeals as an alternate (Shawn Smith's term expired 12-31-2025) for a one-year term expiring 12-31-2026. Trustee Bader nominated Shawn Smith. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Alt seconded the motion

Roll Call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Bader-Smith
Kemmerer-Smith
Alt-Smith

24.) The Chairman called for nominations for Road Supervisor for 2026. Trustee Alt nominated David Keller. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Alt-Keller
Bader-Keller
Kemmerer-Keller

25.) The Chairman called for nominations for Assistant Road Supervisor for 2026. Trustee Bader nominated David Leith. Trustee Kemmerer moved the nominations be closed and Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll Call for each Trustee's choice by name:

Bader-Leith
Kemmerer-Leith
Alt-Leith

26.) Trustee Alt made a motion to keep the same Zoning Permit Fee's and Public Record fee's that were adopted on November 3, 2025 the same for 2026 Trustee Bader seconded the motion. (See Attached Fee Schedule)

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Bader-yes
Kemmerer-yes

27.) Trustee Alt made a motion to make the following changes to the 2026 Wage Rates. David Keller \$2.00 per hour. David Leith \$4.00 per hour. Greg Vannatt \$2.00 per hour. Staci Vannatta \$300.00 per month. Jeff Austin increase to \$20,000 per year. Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals members \$75.00 per meeting. Only 1 member of Zoning Board and 1 member of Zoning Board of Appeals will be paid for attending Trustee Meetings, unless invited. Trustee Bader seconded the motion. (See Attached Fee Schedule)

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Bader-yes
Kemmerer-yes

28.) The Fiscal Officer gave his report.

- a.) The report is attached.
- b.) Trustee Bader made a motion to approve Warrants 19942-19958, Payment Vouchers 1,2,3-2026, Regular PO's 1 thru 9-2026, and Blanket PO's 1 thru 12-2026. Trustee Alt seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Bader-yes
Alt-yes
Kemmerer-yes

29.) Road Supervisor Report:

- a.) Requesting a PO for Road Salt, 100 tons for \$7600.
- b.) Trustee Alt made a motion to create a PO to Cargill Salt for \$7600. Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Bader-yes
Kemmerer-yes

- c.) Requesting a PO for wheels for truck #2 from Wilson Tire for \$1910.
- d.) Trustee Alt made a motion to create a PO for \$1910 to Wilson Tire. Trustee Bader seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alt-yes
Bader-yes
Kemmerer-yes

e.) The red truck that Enterprise worked on is still having issues.

30.) Zoning Inspector Report: by Secretary

- a.) 1 permit so far this year

31.) Reports:

- a.) Health Board-Nothing to report.
- b.) Fire Board-Station #611 rebuild was a disaster. New metal bought by contractor was not needed and could not be returned. It was used to line the inside of the building. Firefighters received a 7% raise.3 new Board members will be needed. One from Village Council, one from the Village and one at-large member.
- c.) Regional Planning-Nothing to report.
- d.) Village of Baltimore-Nothing to report.

32.) Old Business:

- a.) Bright Cemetery on Havensport Rd. was discussed.
- b.) Trustee Alt not happy with the new truck bed from Hughes.

29.) New Business:

- a.) None

30.) Correspondence:

- a.) None to view

31.) Trustee Alt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40pm. The motion was seconded by Trustee Bader

Roll Call: All in favor

_____, Trustee

_____, Fiscal Officer
attest