

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JUNE 5, 2024

As per Resolution 24-03, the Board of Washington Township Trustees met in regular session at the Washington Township Hall on Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 6:30 PM with all members present.

Also, present were: Chief James Haas, Deputy Mitch Boggs, Steven Ossenbeck, and Robin Brewer, Assistant Administrator.

Mr. Cooper, Chairman, called the meeting to order; opened with prayer and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Mr. Cooper asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of: May 8, 2024 or May 22, 2024. There being none, the minutes were approved as presented.

**Fiscal Officer's Report**

Mrs. Dufau reported on the following:

- Soft billing generated \$5,938.56 for the month of April; \$11,626.38 for the month of May. Year to date total is \$45,232.12.
- The Budget Commission has waived the tax budget for the next 5 years. The Township will not receive an Official Certificate of Estimated Resources until the first Monday of February 2025 assuming we submit our Certificate of All Sources Available for Expenditures

The following amounts were received from the indicated resources:

Gainwell Technologies	103-2024	Soft Billing	2281-299-0000	\$146.00
Suburban Propane	104-2024	Refund	2111-892-0000	\$10.33
American Tower	105-2024	Franchise Fees	1000-302-0000	\$296.77
American Tower	106-2024	Franchise Fees	1000-302-0000	\$1,000.00
Clermont Co. Auditor	107-2024	Permissive Sales	2231-103-0000	\$1,791.36
Primary Interest	108-2024	Interest	1000-701-0000	\$18.54
(RiverHills Bank)			2011-701-0000	\$0.37
			2021-701-0000	\$7.92
			1000-701-0000	\$4.12
			1000-701-0000	\$0.11
			1000-701-0000	\$0.46
			1000-701-0000	\$0.03
			1000-701-0000	\$18.48
			2231-701-0000	\$1.97
			1000-701-0000	\$0.01
			2273-701-0000	\$0.18
			1000-701-0000	\$0.07
			1000-701-0000	\$2.07
Star Ohio	109-2024	Interest	1000-701-0000	\$12,086.99
(Provident Bank)			2011-701-0000	\$104.15
			2021-701-0000	\$2,183.74
			2231-701-0000	\$545.21
			2273-701-0000	\$51.61

The following bills were received, approved for payment, and warrants issued:

Charter Communications	66707	2111-220-341-0000	\$252.90
Charter Communications	66708	2111-220-341-0000	\$135.36
Clermont County Treasurer	66709	1000-210-370-0000	\$18,282.57
		2081-210-360-0000	\$17,569.80

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Community Fuels & Lubricants	66710	1000-210-420-0000	\$500.00
		1000-610-420-0000	\$300.00
		2031-330-490-0000	\$1,616.85
		2041-410-490-0000	\$300.00
		2111-220-490-0000	\$65.00
COSE Health & Wellness	66711	1000-110-389-6001	\$3,368.84
		2021-330-389-6001	\$1,934.58
		2031-330-389-6001	\$7,542.23
		2111-220-389-6001	\$10,911.08
Duke Energy	66712	1000-310-360-0000	\$572.09
Duke Energy	66713	1000-120-351-0000	\$28.24
Fidelity Security Life Ins.	66714	1000-110-389-6003	\$13.20
		2021-330-389-6003	\$7.17
		2031-330-389-6003	\$37.09
		2111-220-389-6003	\$50.27
Flex TG Financial Services	66715	1000-110-360-0000	\$68.00
		2031-330-360-0000	\$68.00
		2111-220-360-3011	\$136.00
Henry Schein	66716	2081-230-420-0000	\$188.43
Koenig	66717	2031-330-323-1018	\$315.05
Mastercard	66718	2111-220-323-1005	\$346.98
Mastercard	66719	2031-330-251-0000	\$149.43
Millennium Business Systems	66720	1000-110-360-0000	\$18.37
		2031-330-360-0000	\$18.37
		2111-220-360-3011	\$11.95
Mobilcomm	66721	2281-230-323-1005	\$344.40
Motorola Solutions, Inc.	66722	2111-760-740-0000	\$7,573.50
Rumpke	66723	1000-120-359-1008	\$132.95
		2031-330-359-0000	\$132.94
		2111-220-359-0000	\$189.41
Rumpke	66724	1000-610-360-1011	\$498.32
Rumpke	66725	1000-320-360-0000	\$992.30
Specialty Truck Sales	66726	2111-220-323-1005	\$7,511.69
		2281-230-323-1005	\$921.93
Verizon Wireless	66727	2281-230-341-3014	\$10.05
WEX Bank	66728	2111-220-490-0000	\$1,045.19
Treasurer, State of Ohio	66729	1000-110-360-0000	\$948.00
David Peters	66730	1000-110-410-0000	\$10.50
Mark Baird	EFT 257-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$120.55
		2281-230-190-0000	\$120.57
Kyle Baylor	66731	2031-330-190-0000	\$1,039.33
		2111-220-190-0000	\$439.30
		2281-230-190-0000	\$439.29
Paul Brewer	EFT 258-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$816.05
		2281-230-190-0000	\$803.47
Robin Brewer	EFT 259-2024	1000-120-190-0000	\$367.17
		2031-330-190-0000	\$367.17
		2111-220-190-0000	\$267.17
		2281-230-190-0000	\$367.18
Dennis Cooper	EFT 260-2024	1000-110-111-0000	\$214.47
		2021-110-111-0000	\$214.47
		2031-330-111-0000	\$214.47
		2111-220-111-0000	\$214.47
		2281-230-111-0000	\$214.47
Alan Dodson	66732	2031-330-190-0000	\$1,313.47
Sheila Dufau	EFT 261-2024	1000-110-131-0000	\$442.74
		2031-330-131-0000	\$442.75
		2111-220-131-0000	\$442.75
		2281-230-131-0000	\$442.75

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Kaiden Gibson-Hartness	EFT 262-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$168.56
		2281-230-190-0000	\$268.56
James Haas	EFT 263-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$857.52
		2281-230-190-0000	\$857.54
Curtis Henderson	EFT 264-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$802.25
		2281-230-190-0000	\$802.26
Travis Hull	EFT 265-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$381.43
		2281-230-190-0000	\$381.43
Gregory Lang	EFT 266-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$1,091.22
		2281-230-190-0000	\$1,091.21
Richard A. Maus	EFT 267-2024	1000-110-111-0000	\$215.06
		2021-110-111-0000	\$215.06
		2031-330-111-0000	\$215.06
		2111-220-111-0000	\$215.06
		2281-230-111-0000	\$215.06
Robert Mercer II	EFT 268-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$765.67
		2281-230-190-0000	\$765.50
Kyle Moore	EFT 269-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$75.71
		2281-230-190-0000	\$75.72
Justin Pendergrass	EFT 270-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$175.98
		2281-230-190-0000	\$176.01
David Peters	66733	1000-110-111-0000	\$196.80
		2021-110-111-0000	\$196.78
		2031-330-111-0000	\$196.78
		2111-220-111-0000	\$196.78
Emily Rodriguez	EFT 271-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$689.73
		2281-230-190-0000	\$689.74
Craig Schoch	EFT 272-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$370.20
		2281-230-190-0000	\$370.22
Michael Tolin	66734	2111-220-190-0000	\$256.59
		2281-230-190-0000	\$256.59
Steven Troutman	EFT 273-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$237.92
		2281-2301-90-0000	\$237.94
Dustin White	EFT 274-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$797.57
		281-230-190-0000	\$797.59
James Wilson	EFT 275-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$462.92
		2231-220-190-0000	\$462.90
Theresa Wright	EFT 276-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$990.74
		2281-230-190-0000	\$990.76
Aaron Young	EFT 277-2024	2111-220-190-0000	\$465.36
		2281-230-190-0000	\$465.35
Ohio Deferred Comp.	66735	1000-110-132-0000	\$12.50
		2031-330-190-0000	\$12.50
		2111-220-132-0000	\$12.50
		2111-220-190-0000	\$277.50
		2281-230-132-0000	\$12.50
		2281-230-190-0000	\$277.50
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	66736	2281-230-420-0000	\$138.47
CSUtest.com	66737	2111-220-360-3001	\$360.00
Quill, Inc.	66738	2111-220-360-3028	\$239.99
Wright Brothers, Inc.	66739	2281-230-360-3010	\$105.03
RiverHills Bank	EFT 280-2024	1000-110-111-0000	\$26.35
		1000-110-121-0000	\$27.97
		1000-110-132-0000	\$66.95
		1000-110-213-0000	\$26.60
		2021-330-111-0000	\$26.35
		2021-330-213-0000	\$10.95
		2031-330-111-0000	\$26.35
		2031-330-121-0000	\$27.97

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2031-330-190-0000	\$394.87
2031-330-213-0000	\$72.36
2111-220-111-0000	\$26.35
2111-220-121-0000	\$27.97
2111-220-132-0000	\$66.95
2111-220-190-0000	\$1,968.34
2111-220-212-0000	\$572.36
2111-220-213-0000	\$234.61
2281-230-111-0000	\$26.35
2281-220-190-0000	\$27.99
2281-230-132-0000	\$66.98
2281-230-190-0000	\$1,968.24
2281-230-212-0000	\$612.52
2281-230-213-0000	\$198.54

### Administrative Report

Mrs. Brewer presented a written report which included the following:

- The ODOT Township Sign Grant was submitted May 16, 2024.
- Fishing permit sales have generated \$640.00 and park shelter rentals \$500.00.
- A 30 cubic yard dumpster was delivered to the Old Township Hall to assist with the cleaning up of the property.
- The Community Dumpsters Program is being heavily used. The Administrative Office budgeted for 10 dumpsters for the fiscal year. We have already used 80% of the funds budgeted.

### Road Report

Mrs. Brewer presented a written report which included the following:

- The mowing of Township roadsides is approximately 50% complete.
- Various cemetery matters were resolved, such as marking of graves and footers for headstones.
- Cleaned up the Boat Ramp and surrounding township lots for Memorial weekend.
- Weekly mowing of the park and cemeteries as weather and staffing permits.
- Crew repaired the drinking fountains in the park.
- Mr. Dodson will be on vacation June 10 & 11, 2024, as well as June 17-21, 2024.

### Sheriff Report

Deputy Boggs presented a written statistical report.

### Fire Department Report

Chief Haas presented a written report which included the following:

- **Emergency Detail Total for May 2024** - EMS 33/5 mutual aid, Fire 29/3 mutual aid, for a total of 62 emergency details for the month.
- **Station 66**- Nothing to report
- **Grant**- Batteries and Mic's in from the MARC grant
- **Vehicles**- R66 fuel tank repaired. E66 auto eject was repaired. M66 liquid spring repaired. Scheduling trucks for tire replacement.
- **Personnel/ Training**- Nothing to report
- **Equipment**- Nothing new
- **Other**- Protocol meeting and training with Dr. Khan at the station next Thursday.

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**Resolutions**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP  
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-36  
A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE  
TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR FIRE, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
AND POLICE PROTECTION  
(R.C. §§ 5705.03, 5705.19, 5705.191, and 5705.25)**

The Board of Trustees of Washington Township, Clermont County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 5th day of June, 2024 with the following members present:

Dennis Cooper, Trustee

Aaron Maus, Trustee

David Peters, Trustee

Mr. Maus moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the amount of taxes that will be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of Washington Township, Clermont County, Ohio ("Township"); and,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation; and

**WHEREAS**, the levy would be for the purpose of fire and emergency medical services, and police protection services, said purposes being authorized by R.C. §5705.19 (I) and (J) and R.C. §5705.191; and,

**WHEREAS**, a resolution declaring the necessity of levying an additional tax upon the electors of the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Washington Township, pursuant to R.C. § 5705.03, outside the ten-mill limitation must be approved and certified to the Clermont County Auditor ("Auditor") in order to permit the Board to consider the levy of such a tax and must request that the Auditor certify to the Board the total current tax valuation of the Township, and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specified number of mills.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board, at least two-thirds (2/3) of all of the members of the Board concurring, as follows:

**SECTION I**

That the amount of taxes that will be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of the Township and it is necessary to levy an additional 2 mills tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of Washington Township as set

**SECTION II**

That pursuant to the provisions of Section 5705.191 an additional levy in the amount of two (2.0) mills for each One Dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to twenty cents (\$.200) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) valuation for a continuous period to be placed on the 2024 tax duplicate for first collection in 2025 and continuing thereafter, for the provision and maintenance of fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater

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rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other related costs; and for the payment of the costs incurred by townships as a result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection.

**SECTION III**

That the question of the passage of said levy shall be submitted to the electorate of the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Washington Township, at the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024. If approved by the electors, said tax levy shall first be placed upon the 2024 tax list and duplicate, for first collection in calendar year 2025.

**SECTION IV**

That pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the county auditor is hereby requested to certify to this Board of Trustees of Washington Township, the total current tax valuation of the Township and the dollar amount of revenues that would be generated by the number of mills specified in Section II hereof, and the Fiscal Officer of Washington Township be and is hereby directed to certify forthwith a copy of this resolution to the county auditor at the earliest possible time so the said county auditor may certify such matters in accordance with Section 5705.03.

**SECTION V**

That the tax is to be levied on the incorporated and unincorporated the territory of Washington Township, which is located entirely within Clermont County, Ohio.

**SECTION VI**

That the submission of the question of this tax is authorized by Sections 5705.03, 5705.19, 5705.191, and 5705.25 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION VII**

That the Board of Trustees of Washington Township hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of the Board and its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with all applicable legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Cooper seconded the motion and on roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

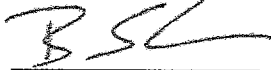
Mr. Cooper	Yes
Mr. Maus	Yes
Mr. Peters	Yes

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This resolution was duly passed on the 5th day of June, 2024.

This Resolution Prepared and Approved  
as to form.



Assistant Prosecuting Attorney  
Clermont County

Dated: June 5, 2024

**New Business**

Mr. Peters requested the Board to consider giving raises to the Road and Bridge personnel. A discussion ensued regarding the matter with the Board discussing the need for additional seasonal road and bridge staffing as well as possible options for fulfilling that need including advertising for mowing bids for the township cemeteries and administration/park facilities. Also discussed was that full-time employees have ultimately received pay raises the last several years through the increased cost of their township funded employee benefits (i.e. health insurance). The Board concluded in general consensus to advertise for mowing bids and requested Mrs. Dufau prepare a cost analysis of current mowing costs for comparison with possible bids received.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Cooper inquired if the Board if had any additional business matters to discuss. Being none, the motion to adjourn was adopted.



Dennis R. Cooper, Chairman



Sheila G. Dufau, Fiscal Officer