June 9, 2025

Regular Meeting was called to order by Scott Markley.
Present were Fiscal Officer Cheryl Welch, Trustees Kay Wright, Jim Power, Scott Markley.
Zoning Inspector: Rick Wikucki not present Road Worker: Scott Warner

Minutes of 5/12/2025 business meeting; Jim made motion to approve, Kay 2nd; Scott in agreement.

ROAD REPORT [Scott Warner]
- 12" x 30' culvert on 101 will be installed before end of summer.
- Culvert projects on 53 and 251still being planned.
- Tentative plan is for 700 and 810 to be chip & sealed, considerable patching 101, 580.
- Kay requested a 2nd chevron sign be installed on 133.

ZONING REPORT [Rick Wikucki not present]
- No report.
- South of 42 a huge structure going up on 175. Will let Rick know.
- The board has asked the commission to review thoughts on allowing housing behind an existing structure for the purpose of aging parents. Victor Dubina reported the zoning commission has decided not to move forward on this request. If a homeowner wanted to take care of aging parents, it would be advisable to consider putting an addition on the existing home.

FIRE DEPARTMENT [Trustee Scott Markley]
- Nothing to report.

CEMETERY [Trustee Kay Wright]
- Danny Alfather needs more dirt and raked.
- $100 grant for Memorial Day decorations was received from Veteran's Memorial Day Fund.
- Pricing for various sheds from Yoder Barns, Shady Maple, Lake Side Sheds, was presented and discussed. Shed would store cemetery supplies, weed eaters and mower. The result of the discussion was to purchase an 8x12 building. More questions came up: if getting a single roll-up door unit is possible, stained vs painted.

FINANCIAL REPORT [Fiscal Officer Cheryl Welch]
- Receipts between 05/13/2025 and 06/09/2025 totaled $30,145.15.
- Expenses totaled $17,527.92
- Fund balances totaled $380,696.31 (Primary account is $279,955.64)
- $95,000 or 26% of the fund balance is money from ARPA earmarked for Spectrum internet project.
- Jim made motion to accept the financial report; Kay 2nd; Scott in agreement.
- Kay made RESOLUTION #2025-3 to accept the budget worksheet as presented for the forecasted 2026 financial budget; Jim 2nd; Scott in agreement.

PARK [Trustee Jim Power]

- White paint needed for the foul lines. Kay made motion to purchase, Jim 2nd: Scott in agreement.

OLD BUSINESS

- Security system installed by Vector Security at a cost of $3,250 has been completed. $4250.00 $51 monthly service fees
- Kay is still in talks with Ashland Railway to make needed repairs to the tracks. The railway insists they are still considered active; although substantial shrubs have encroached on them and tracks over road areas are in need of repair.

NEW BUSINESS

- In a move aimed at modernization and cost-efficiency, townships in Ohio no longer need to post public notices in newspapers if they have websites and use social media platforms. This development stems from the passage of House bill 315 (HB 315) in December 2024, marking a significant shift in how public notifications are handled statewide. Board will now abide by this new rule.
- Board agreed for safety reasons that Amish for-sale signage will be removed from intersections.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Resident Don Rose wanted to know how 1080 is going to be repaired. Scott Markley has been working with the state since February to get ODOT to fix the road. Soft spot towards 42 (will be ground out and new base installed), berms will be given attention and township will be given a 2-day notice as to when repair will take place. Many areas on the road have been marked out. This repair was the result of the detour used by heavy trucks as part of ODOT infrastructure improvements to the township. Round-a-bout on 89 and 42 will take place in 2026.
- Resident Nick K. wanted to know where residents would go for information and help in the event of a disaster. Board responded Polk Fire Department and Ashland County EMA have plans in place for such events.

Jim made motion to enter into executive session for a personnel matter; Kay 2nd Scott in agreement.
Jim made motion to come out of executive session, Kay 2nd Scott in agreement.

Board hired part-time road help James Toppins. He will be paid $16/hour.

Kay made motion to adjourn, Jim 2nd; Scott in agreement.
Meeting minutes submitted by Cheryl Welch.

J. Scott Markley Jim Power Kay Wright