

**Minutes of the Urbana Board of Trustees Meeting
held Monday, April 20, 2026**

The Board of Urbana Township Trustees met on this date with Trustee Roger Koerner, Trustee Blair Stinson, and Trustee Matt Harrigan present.

Present:

Nicole Doyle

Aubrey Ward

Buddy Ballard

Hackett Landefeld, RWE

Jane Napier, Asst. Prosecutor

Ron Hunt

Luke Meyer

Kristin Mays

John Woodburn

The March 16, 2026 Meeting Minutes and the Financial Status Reports were reviewed and accepted with no additions or corrections. Mr. Stinson moved, seconded by Mr. Koerner to approve the March 16, 2026 meeting minutes and current Financial Status Reports.

Roll call was as follows: Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.

Ms. Napier – Requesting to go into Executive Session under 121.22(G)(3) to discuss with counsel potential pending litigation. Explained to visitors process of Executive Session.

Mr. Koerner moved, seconded by Mr. Stinson to go into Executive Session at 5:05 P.M.

Roll call was as follows: Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.

Executive Session ended at 5:16 P.M. and Mr. Harrigan welcomed visitors back to meeting.

Ms. Napier – inquired regarding Board to pass a Resolution adopting opposition to the solar project application filed with the Power Siting Board by Hillclimber Solar, LLC, Case No. 25-0904ELBGN based on the inconsistent nature of the project to the current comprehensive plan in violation of the Senate Bill 52 restriction requested by this Board to the Champaign County Commissioners, enacted September of 2022 and in general the opinion of the local residents provided to this Board as their elected representative.

Mr. Koerner moved, seconded by Mr. Stinson to pass the Resolution Opposing the Granting of the Project Application for Hillclimber Solar, LLC to the Ohio Power Siting Board. Roll call was as follows: Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.

Ms. Napier – we need a township representative as an ad hoc representative for the township to the Power Siting Board.

Mr. Stinson – Nominated Mr. Harrigan as the township ad hoc representative at the Ohio Power Siting Board. Mr. Koerner seconded the request. Roll call was as follows: Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.

Ms. Napier – Per your request I intervened on the Board’s behalf so the Board of Commissioners and this Board have intervened in the case before the OPSB and that was accepted at their last meeting so that’s official. There is a public hearing coming up May 13th. The 8th I believe is when the staff is going to submit their recommendation.

Mr. Harrigan – the public hearing is Wednesday, May 13th at 5:00 P.M. at the Champaign County Community Center. The purpose is to allow the public to provide sworn testimony. If you plan to attend please arrive by 4:45 P.M.

Mr. Stinson – they can submit in writing also.

Mr. Harrigan – doors open at 4:00 and hearing begins at 5:00.

Ms. Napier – we may not have enough capacity.

Mr. Harrigan – that email from the OPSB wanting a response by the 25th, do we need to reply?

Ms. Napier – no I will take care of that. I have to do one for the commissioners as well.

Road and Maintenance Report

Mr. Harrigan – March to April we had a storm in late March. Trustee Stinson had to go out in the middle of the night to cut a tree up in driving rain.

We started repairing township road, potholes, damaged berm edges. We went on April 2nd and got cold mix. Went down County Line, Urbana Moorefield and Prairie, North and South Dugan.

Started mowing season. Blair is trying to get some spraying done. Wind has interfered so we are waiting for some calm days.

Richard prepping mowers for activity. Had some graves settling that we added some dirt to.

Zoning & Cemetery Report

Sean Tullis - See Attached.

Mr. Harrigan - Richard went out today to see what we have to do for the funeral on Wednesday. Blair trimmed the trees today.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Perry – we are finishing up our audit.

New Business

Mr. Stinson – spoke to county Auditor Karen Bailey and talked to the city. We have to get started with the Fire/EMS levy process. We need to pass a Resolution for a Certificate of Estimated Resources to certify the estimated property taxes R.C. 5705.19 for the purpose of maintaining fire protection services. Then next month, Karen Bailey is going to come out to speak to us on what she would recommend us to do. If we put a new levy on, we would cancel the old levy. But we can't cancel that until we make sure we can pass the next one.

The first step is to certify the estimated property tax for the purpose of maintaining fire protection. Mr. Stinson moved, seconded by Mr. Koerner to request the Auditor to Provide a Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue for the purpose of maintaining fire protection and emergency medical services in accordance with R.C. 5705.19.

Roll call was as follows: Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.

Mr. Harrigan – Mr. Koerner moved to pay bills and distribute checks. Mr. Stinson seconded the request. Roll call was as follows: Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.

The following bills were approved:

Check No.	Date	Payee	Total Amount
	04/20/2026	US Treasury	\$1,629.44
	04/20/2026	City of Urbana	\$101.13
	04/20/2026	BWC	\$102.46
	04/20/2026	Pioneer	\$123.96
	04/20/2026	CT Communication Co.	\$146.18
	04/20/2026	Ohio Auditor of State	\$2,900.40
21057	04/20/2026	Matt Harrigan	\$910.00
21058	04/20/2026	Roger Koerner	\$802.38
21059	04/20/2026	Richard McCain	\$1,629.97
21060	04/20/2026	Sandi Perry	\$1,300.83
21061	04/20/2026	Blair Stinson	\$899.71
21062	04/20/2026	Sean Tullis	\$869.67
21063	04/20/2026	Sandi Perry	\$251.59
21064	04/20/2026	Matt Harrigan	\$425.00
21065	04/20/2026	VOID	
21066	04/20/2026	Blair Stinson	\$539.98
21067	04/20/2026	Richard McCain	\$25.00
21068	04/20/2026	Sean Tullis	\$25.00

21069	04/20/2026	Cable Concrete	\$1,289.60
21070	04/20/2026	Roberts Refuse	\$153.00
21071	04/20/2026	Lantz Sales	\$40.00
21072	04/20/2026	Sedgwick	\$415.00
21073	04/20/2026	McMann Smoot Riddle Agency	\$8,997.00
21074	04/20/2026	Peoples	\$173.00
21075	04/20/2026	County Engineer	\$2,158.63
21076	04/20/2026	Heritage Cooperative	\$271.59
21077	04/20/2026	Cintas	\$356.56
21078	04/20/2026	Nancy Lokai-Baldwin	\$30.00
21079	04/20/2026	Steve Mabry	\$40.00
21080	04/20/2026	Scott Wright	\$30.00
21081	04/20/2026	Albert Ballard	\$30.00
21082	04/20/2026	Nicole Doyle	\$30.00
21083	04/20/2026	OPERS	\$2,183.78
21084	04/20/2026	Roger Koerner	\$425.00
21085	04/20/2026	Roger Ward	\$30.00
21086	04/20/2026	AIM Media	\$78.53
Total			\$29,414.39

Announcements

Mr. Harrigan – The next meeting is Monday, May 18th at 5:00.

Public Comment

Mr. Harrigan – explained the public comment process.

Ron Hunt – passed.

Aubrey Ward – passed.

Mr. Ballard – 2005 Oakview Drive. Question about via duct down here by you Blair. Believes there is a green sign that shows the trail is coming up. I have been mowing there. I saw a close call there. Someone coming through and a young couple and their kids were getting ready to pass through. How there wasn't an accident there, I don't know. Have we ever thought about the possibility of putting something there on the via duct? Or if that would go before the trail system. Can we put up a sign there?

Mr. Stinson – East and West Hickory Grove is a county road. We can't do any type of alterations on that. They just got a grant that they are supposed to remark that. I live right there and it is bad.

Mr. Tullis – I am curious, in plants, they have mirrors up to see if someone is coming.

Mr. Meyer - There was just a big safety grant and I think they are going to have flashing lights.

Mr. Stinson – someone lost their life there 8 or 9 years ago.

Ms. Perry – there are signs on that bike path warning you.

Nicole Doyle – they have those mirrors on the driveways. I can't imagine they are that expensive.

Luke Meyer – Asphalt Systems Ohio in Sidney. Lives in Adams Township. Not here about solar. We do asphalt maintenance work. Crack fill and topical rejuvenating treatment. Spoke with Danny Boggs and Steve McCall. Danny said I may want to stop in and see if you had any crack fill needs I wanted to leave my information. Danny said he doesn't know if the county will be able to get to you guys and help you. But if you want just a quote, I wanted to stop in and explain the services we do. We do crack fill but we also do a rejuvenator, which is a spray on treatment to extend the life of asphalt. Meant for good condition pavements to help them extend the life.

Mr. Stinson – do you do berm improvement?

Mr. Meyer – I have a contractor that I know that can do that, but our company doesn't. If you ever want to drive the roads any time let me know.

Kristin Mays – just came to listen. Wanted to say thanks to Matt to responding to my email when I sent the letter to the OPSB.

Mr. Harrigan – we appreciate your emails and for you coming in.

John Woodburn – observer as well.

Mr. Stinson – long time zoning commission member.

Nicole Doyle – 2757 State Route 54. Working with another citizen to get a petition on the solar. Getting folks aware of what is happening. I feel like a lot of people don't understand.

I haven't heard back from Hackett about the wind and remediation. You said you were talking to the engineers on the winds that it could withstand.

Hackett Landefeld RWE – RWE Americas – our team did compile a report that we submitted on high winds to the OPSB. I don't know the details off hand. But the team did look at the winds and compile a report.

Mr. Landefeld - May 8th is the OPSB compiles the staff report. May 13th at 5:00 P.M. is the public meeting. May 26th is the adjudicatory hearing at the Public Utilities Commission in Columbus. It is possible it could go for multiple days.

Mr. Harrigan – do you know how those meetings are handled? The 13th?

Aubrey Ward – you will walk in and there is a sign up sheet for whoever wants to speak. It is done courtroom style. They can ask questions of anyone who wants to testify.

Ms. Perry – the one that I was at for the turbines, there was no back and forth. You were permitted to say your part and then they moved on.

Aubrey Ward - When the Board decides the project, you can watch online.

Mr. Landefeld – we have been working with Pullins Drainage and Excavating in Adams Township, and there have been a lot of lessons learned on that project. We are not involved in the design of that project but have some mitigation after the fact. Paul Pullins is also trustee.

Mr. Stinson – he also has a lot of property under glass up there.

Mr. Landefeld – I have heard a lot of things that went wrong. From bringing in construction companies who have never done that kind of work.

The other thing is that we have some amount in the budget that we want to put to local services. I know there is some concern about contracting with Urbana Fire for an EMS contract.

Mr. Stinson – did you meet with the Chief?

Mr. Landefeld – they said their role isn't to have an opinion.

Mr. Stinson – I mean did he feel good about battery placement and egress?

Mr. Landefeld – tomorrow we are meeting with them again and we have our battery guy that will be meeting with him. We will talk about our standard process on that project.

Mr. Stinson – talking to the city about this, they brought that up about what kind of burden that would create. That is why I asked about were they happy with the battery placement and egress. I just want to make sure that they can keep their equipment and firefighters safe.

Mr. Landefeld – we are too early in the stage to make that decision.

Ms. Ward – they told us they were grateful to us for coming so early in the project.

Mr. Stinson – please email. It helps if we can create a trail. We are so lucky to have Matt as a trustee. It is important for us to have that trail. If people would shoot an email saying I am for this or I am against this.

Being no further business, Mr. Stinson moved to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Koerner.

Roll call was as follows: Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.


_____ Matt Harrigan, President


_____ Sandi Perry, Fiscal Officer

4-20-26 Zoning

1. 4-6-26 Variance (#26-007) Richard Bowman updated for 16' rear and front setbacks for Richard Bowman at 189 Rooney Drive. BZA approved this at a public meeting.
2. 3-12-26 Zoning permit (#26-008) Richard Bowman updated documents for new house at 189 Rooney Drive reference #25-029. No charge per TWP trustees because survey was misleading.
3. 4-6-26 Variance (#26-009) Andrea Grow 3:1 variance. BZA approved this at a public meeting.
4. 3-18-26 Zoning permit (#26-010) David Brumfield for a 32'x56' storage barn at 4695 Middle Urbana Rd.
5. 3-20-26 Zoning permit (#26-011) Wayne Brunotte for a 1,925 square foot new house and 2x 12'x16' storage sheds at 1001 North Dugan Rd.
6. 4-6-26 Lot split (#26-012) Charles Brown combine 4 separate parcels into 1 K41-11-11-31-00-020-04, 01, 00 and K41-11-10-36-00-004-00.
7. 4-6-26 Lot Split (#26-013) Andrea Grow 2x3.184 AC and 1x33.709 AC at K41-11-11-11-13-00-008-00.
8. 4-10-26 Zoning permit (#26-014) Alyssa Souder for a 30'x50' pole barn at 880 East Hickory Grove Rd.
9. 4-14-26 Zoning permit (#26-015) Cameron Gibbs for a storage barn at 879 South Dugan Rd.
10. 4-13-26 Zoning permit (#26-016) Sydney Winnenberg new house at 765 South Dugan Rd.

4-20-26 Cemetery

1. 4-22-26 Caryl Boldman P# 170 G# 4 vault to be buried beside his wife Clara in P# 170 G #5.
2. We have 2 footers to dig this spring. One for Donna Gainer at P# 65 G# 6 (28"x14") and one for Richard/ Charlene Bowshier at P# 107 G# 1,2,3 (52"x16").

April 20, 2025

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROJECT FILED BY HILLCLIMBER SOLAR, LLC WITH THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD, CASE NO. 25-0904-EL-BGN

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF URBANA TOWNSHIP of Champaign County, Ohio met in regular session on April 20, 2026, with the following trustees, duly elected and qualified, present: Trustee Roger Koerner, Trustee Blair Stinson, and Trustee Matt Harrigan.

Mr. Koerner moved the Board adopt a resolution opposing the project filed with the Ohio Power Siting Board by Hillclimber Solar, LLC, Case No. 25-0904-EL-BGN, to be sited within the borders of Urbana Township based on the inconsistent nature of the project to the current comprehensive plan, duly passed, the violation of the SB 52 restriction requested by this Board to the Champaign County Board of Commissioners and enacted in September 2022, and, in general, the opinion of the majority of the local residents provided to the Board as their elected representatives.

Mr. Stinson seconded the motion and the result of the vote was:


Roll call was as follows: Mr. Stinson, yes; Mr. Koerner, yes; Mr. Harrigan, yes.



Trustee Matt Harrigan

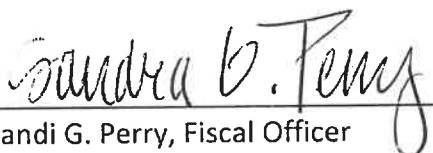


Trustee Blair Stinson



Trustee Roger Koerner

I, Sandi G. Perry, Fiscal Officer of the Urbana Board of Trustees, certify this to be a true and correct statement as taken from the minutes of the regular meeting on April 20, 2026.



Sandi G. Perry, Fiscal Officer
Urbana Township Board of Trustees
Champaign County, Ohio

Cc: Prosecutor

**Board of Trustees of Urbana Township, Champaign County, Ohio
Resolution Asking the Auditor to Certify**


During the regular meeting of the Board of Urbana Township Trustees held Monday, April 20, 2026, a motion was made by Trustee Roger Koerner, and seconded by Trustee Blair Stinson to adopt the following Resolution to:

Request the Champaign County Auditor to provide a Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue for a NEW 4.0 mill Fire & EMS Levy for the purposes of providing and maintaining fire protection and emergency medical services in accordance with Ohio Revised Code §5705.19(I).


Whereas; the Board of Urbana Township Trustees will need to submit a new levy for Fire & EMS a Fire to be collected for a five year period of time on in TAX year(s) 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029 and 2030. And that the first year of collection to be calendar year 2027.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Urbana Township Trustees requests that the County Auditor certify to the Board of the Township Trustees, the total current tax valuation and the dollar amount of revenue that will be generated by a new 4.0 mill Fire & EMS levy.

The roll call was as follows:



Matt Harrigan, Trustee



Roger Koerner, Trustee



Blair Stinson, Trustee

I hereby certify the above to be taken from the minutes of the Board of Urbana Township Trustees meeting held on Monday, April 20, 2026.



Sandra G. Perry,
Urbana Township Fiscal Officer