

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF POLK TOWNSHIP  
CRAWFORD COUNTY, OHIO**

**Regular Meeting  
October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
7:00 P.M.**

The board met in a regular meeting pursuant to notice in the local newspaper and called to order at 7:00 PM. by Vice-Chairman Glenn Cheesman. The Chairman called the roll, and the following members were present: Trustees: Glenn Cheesman and Russell Sellman. Absent – Trustee Tom Ray, Fiscal Officer-Brett Young. Also attending were Zoning Inspector Rick Jeffrey.

The minutes of the regular meeting on August 20<sup>th</sup> and September 17<sup>th</sup> were moved to November 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting due to unable to approve them

**October Check Register**

123-2025	Columbia Gas of Ohio	57.88
124-2025	Truly Nolen	65.00
125-2025	Elan Financial Services	717.89
126-2025	Delta Dental	174.06
127-2025	MedMutual Life	94.50
128-2025	Vector Security	56.40
129-2025	City of Galion Utilities	346.12
130-2025	Park National Bank	4,119.49
131-2025	Frontier	143.69
132-2025	OH Public Employees Deferred Comp	750.00
10449	Ryan Lee Bash	450.36
10450	Glenn Ellis Cheesman	193.38
10451	Rickey E. Jeffrey	542.39
10452	Sharon Kempf	126.87
10453	Thomas William Ray	934.02
10454	Russell Addison Sellman	934.02
10455	Brett Alan Young	1,404.10
10456	City of Galion Auditor	18,331.25
10457	Stacey Ferguson	85.00
10458	Keller Auto Parts, INC	33.98
10459	Cole Distributing Inc.	344.20
10460	Roderick, Linton Belfance, LLP	3,318.75
10461	Crawford County Engineering Dept.	1,708.56
10462	Sandusky Township Trustees	26.88
10463	Arnold's Landscaping & Garden Center	1,050.00
10464	John Beach	30.00
10465	Saunders Excavating	3,195.00
10466	Public Employee Retirement System	1,502.66
10467	Nancy Mousseau	60.00
10468	Brett Young	45.00
10469	Sharon Kempf	15.00

10470	Claire Goines	175.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>41,032.45</b>

**Resolution for Appropriations:**

**RESOLUTION: 14-2025:** Russell Sellman moved the adoption of resolution 14-2025 to amend Resolution: Township Annual Appropriation Resolution 23-2024; retroactive to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 for the Gasoline Fund (2021): from \$150,000 to \$ 200,000 for Road Maintenance/Improvement, as well as, Road and Bridge Fund (2031): from \$85,000 to \$ 120,000 for Road Maintenance/Improvement. Furthermore, approving those above transaction into the line items

2021-330-360-0000 Contracted Services \$50,000 and

2031-330-360-0000 Contracted Services \$25,000.

Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following results: Glenn Cheeseman and Russell Sellman voted 'aye', so the resolution was adopted and the motion was carried.

**Resolution for beginning and ending check numbers:**

**RESOLUTION 15-2025:** Russell Sellman moved to accept the adoption of Resolution 15-2025 to approve the beginning Check No. 10449 as the check number following the last Check No. 10448 from the last months check register, Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion and the roll called with the following results; Russell Sellman and Glenn Cheesman voted 'Aye'. So, the resolution was adopted and the motion carried.

**'2025' Galion Fire Department Run and EMS Response Report:**

<u>FIRE/Ems</u>	<u>Fire/EMS</u>	<u>Mutual Aid</u>	<u>Collected</u>
January	11/25	F-0/EMS- 0	\$3,812.06
February	2/25	F-0/EMS- 0	\$ 749.79
March	12/22	F-0/EMS- 0	\$5,481.32
April	3/15	F-0/EMS- 0	\$4,183.96
May	6/17	F-0/EMS- 0	\$3,826.37
June	9/20	F-0/EMS- 0	\$4,116.37
July	3/20	F-0/EMS- 0	\$3,360.03
August	8/17	F-0/EMS- 0	\$3,360.03
September	19/5	F-0/EMS- 0	\$
October			
November			
December			.
<b>EOY Total:</b>	<b>59/180</b>	<b>F-0/EMS- 0</b>	<b>\$25,529.90</b>

**'2024' Galion Fire Department Run and EMS Response Report:**

<u>FIRE/Ems</u>	<u>Fire/EMS</u>	<u>Mutual Aid</u>	<u>Collected</u>
January	4/16	F-0/EMS-0	\$4,864.59
February	6/16	F-0/EMS-0	\$6,043.83
March	7/20	F-0/EMS-0	\$4,076.99
April	5/16	F-0/EMS-0	\$4,766.83
May	2/19	F-0/EMS-0	\$4,410.68
June	6/25	F-0/EMS-0	\$3,462.48
July	5/14	F-2/EMS-0	\$4,155.21
August	6/14	F-5/EMS-0	\$1,763.06
September	6/11	F-3/EMS-0	\$1,032.37
October	11/29	F-0/EMS-0	\$637.64
November	7/24	F-0/EMS-0	\$3,062.89
December	5/24	F-0/EMS-0	\$1,375.74
<b>EOY Total:</b>	<b>70/228</b>	<b>F-0/EMS- 0</b>	<b>\$39,452.31</b>

*Galion millage for fire is .39% and 50%=.89% total.*

*EMS calls are about .60% and the Fire .40%.*

**Guest:** No Guest were Present

**CITIZENS REQUEST/COMPLAINTS:**

**Drain Issue on 8062 Tracht Dr. – Still unresolved at this time**

**John Weaver 465 Laughbaum Drive- Tile issue; Rusty stated that the issue has been resolved.**

**READING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**Come Home to Galion: Donation Request**

**Galion Tiger Softball: Donation Request**

Trustees decided to not donate.

**OTA Legislative Alert:**

**HB 309: County Budget Commissions** (Thomas, D.) - HB 309 authorizes County Budget Commissions to reduce property tax levies to avoid unnecessary or excessive collections, and codifies unnecessary and excessive collections. HB 309 also requires County Budget Commissions to approve all voted property tax levies without modification to the first 5 years of a levies collection.

**ZONING: Zoning Inspector (Rick Jeffrey) Report September 2025/October 2025**

Permits: #75 – Jeff Foglessong - Fence Permit

#76- Brett Ruhe – Barn Permit

**#77 – David Baker – (2) Barn Permits**

**9/18 Issued Permit #00075 to Jeff Foglessong @ 1051 Nazor Rd. Fence Permit \$50 Check #1229.**

**9/22 Issued Permit #00076 to Brett Ruhe @ 6646 Crawford Morrow County Line for 30' x 40' Barn. \$150 Ck #3615.**

**10/1 Issued Permit #00077 to David Baker @ 5920 MOnnett New Winchester Rd for 2 Barns 1) 40'x30' and 2) 60' x 50' \$200 CK#4413**

**10/2 Call from Carla @ Trayas Electric about Pole Set for New Home 1106 Knorr Rd**

**10/7 Call from Luke @ 375 Bennett Dr about empty lot w/Garage wanted to know if it was buildable 1/2 acre. No Need to apply for a variance.**

**10/8 Called Jason @ Power up Ohio; told him they could proceed with roof mounted panels for John Logan.**

**10/15 Called Ryan Zunda about permit for Modular Home on Knorr Rd. 216-420-3584**

**Left Voice Mail for Kane Wagner about Fence 419-632-1474.**

**Glenn mentioned about a fence that was put on a property and he stated he didn't believe he got a permit for it. The residence is on SR 6-02 just South of Brandt Rd.**

**Glenn mentioned to stay of Brammer. He has cleaned it up a bit but still not close to where it needs to be.**

**Glenn mentioned about looking at property on the end of Biddle Rd @ Countyline Rd. He has trucks and junk. He showed Rick pictures. Rick said he would go out and talk to him and clean it up.**

**Rick gave update on Aker's Property. Rick stated that he received a draft of legislation and letter that will be sent to their attorney.**

***PROPERTIES IN NONCOMPLIANCE AFTER POSTING:***

- Penn property on SR309.
- Rufus property on SR 19
- Nickler property on Hosford Rd.
- Aller Property on SR 19
- Tucker Property Iberia Rd – Property has been sold; Rick to get new owner information
- Brammer Property on Greenbrier/Chiswick
- Akers Property on Chevy Chase; Certified Letter Sent 6/17; Attorney Contacted

Zoning Board Meeting Update: Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each quarter at 6:30 PM unless meeting is changed

and advertised in the newspaper.

**There being no further zoning business, the chair called for the consideration of old business.**

Fraud Training still needs to be completed by Marty Faulds and Jeff Zeisler. Brett mentioned that he has not received anything from those two yet.

OPWC Issue 2 funding. Roads for paving 2026 Year. Paperwork was filled with County Engineer's Office.

**There being no further old business, the chair called for the consideration of new business:**

### **County Auditor Amounts and Tax Rate**

#### **Resolution for Accepting Amounts and Tax Rates**

**RESOLUTION: 16-2025:** Russell Sellman moved the adoption of resolution 16-2025 to approve the acceptance of the amounts of rates certified by the county auditor for 2026.

Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following results: Glenn Cheesman and Russell Sellman voted 'aye'. So, the resolution was adopted and the motion was carried.

EMS/Fire Levy is set to Expire in 2026. Need to be placed on ballot for May 2026. Trustees stated that they will talk about this at the next meeting.

Sydney Bess wants to use Hall for a Craft Show. Trustees had a small discussion and stated that they would be ok with them having Food Vendors.

#### **ROAD REPORT:**

Glenn: Some Potholes on Knorr as well when they get out and about. Glenn talked about when they berm to look on Biddle as well.

Russell: Potholes at the end of Alayne. Got with Ryan about it but he is busy at home, so Tom stated he would get Kevin on it. Iberia was paved today.

Tom: Absent

#### **Report from road employees/trustees:**

Ryan asked about getting business cards to pass out. What information would Trustees like to be on them.

**MOTION:** Russell Sellman moved the motion to pay the township bills and Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion, on vote: Russell Sellman and Glenn Cheesman "aye", motion carried.

There being no further business, Motion to adjourn meeting by Russell Sellman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glenn Cheesman. On vote Glenn Cheesman and Russell Sellman, "aye". Motion carried.

**Adjourned @ 19:36.**

**Chairman Tom Ray:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Absent** \_\_\_\_\_

**V-C Glenn Cheesman:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Trustee: Russell Sellman:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Next meeting: November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**