

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

**Regular Meeting
January 21st, 2026
7:00 P.M.**

The board met in a regular meeting pursuant to notice in the local newspaper and called to order at 7:01 PM. by Vice- Chairman Glenn Cheesman. The Vice Chairman called the roll, and the following members were present: Trustees: Russell Sellman and Glenn Cheesman; Absent- Tom Ray and Fiscal Officer Brett Young. Also attending were Zoning Inspector Rick Jeffrey.

The minutes of the regular meeting on December 17th, 2025 were read and approved. Russell Sellman made a motion to accept minutes and Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion. The roll call Vote: Rusty Sellman and Glenn Cheesman, ‘aye’. Motion was passed.

The minutes of the end of the year meeting on December 17th, 2025 were read and approved. Russell Sellman made a motion to accept minutes and Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion. The roll call Vote: Rusty Sellman and Glenn Cheesman ‘aye’. Motion was passed.

The minutes of the 2026 Appropriations meeting on December 17th, 2025 were read and approved. Russell Sellman made a motion to accept minutes and Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion. The roll call Vote: Rusty Sellman and Glenn Cheesman, ‘aye’. Motion was passed.

The minutes of the Special meeting of January 6th, 2026 were read and approved. Russell Sellman made a motion to accept minutes and Glenn Cheesman seconded the motion. The roll call Vote: Russell Sellman and Glenn Cheesman, ‘aye’. Motion was passed

January Check Register

1-2026	Columbia Gas of Ohio	672.90
2-2026	Elan Financial Services	173.40
3-2026	Truly Nolen	65.00
4-2026	Delta Dental	174.06
5-2026	MedMutual Life	94.50
6-2026	Vector Security	56.89
7-2026	City of Galion Utility Office	501.78
8-2026	Frontier	144.69
10-2026	OH Deferred Comp	750.00
11-2026	Park National Bank	4,119.49
12-2026	Truly Nolen	65.00
10515	Stacey Ferguson	85.00
10516	City of Galion, Auditor	18,331.25
10517	Rinehart, Walters, Danner Insurance	50.00

10518	Crawford County EMA	392.20
10519	Roderick Linton Belfance, LLP	3,206.25
10520	Skipped Warrants	0.00
10521	Skipped Warrants	0.00
10522	Samantha McArdle	175.00
10523	Cindy Edwards	43.82
10524	Ryan Bash	53.41
10525	Glenn Cheesman	299.84
10526	Kevin Furr	543.92
10527	Ricky Jeffrey	550.73
10528	Sharon Kempf	292.48
10529	Thomas Ray	1,069.65
10530	Russell Sellman	1,069.65
10531	Brett Young	1,551.29
10532	Public Employee Retirement System	1,807.20
Total Payments		\$36,339.24

RESOLUTION 3-2026: Russell Sellman moved to accept the adoption of Resolution 3-2026 to approve the beginning Check No. 10515 as the check number following the last Check No. 10514 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.

‘2026’ Galion Fire Department Run and EMS Response Report:

<u>FIRE/Ems</u>	<u>Fire/EMS</u>	<u>Mutual Aid</u>	<u>Collected</u>
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
July			
August			
September			
October			
November			
December			
EOY Total:		F-0/EMS- 0	\$

‘2025’ Galion Fire Department Run and EMS Response Report:

<u>FIRE/Ems</u>	<u>Fire/EMS</u>	<u>Mutual Aid</u>	<u>Collected</u>
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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	\$ 5,801.45
September	5/19	F-0/EMS-0	\$ 2,206.05
October	8/18	F-0/EMS-0	\$ 4,244.65
November	5/13	F-0/EMS-0	\$ 5,197.84
December	4/15	F-1/EMS-0	\$ 4,567.28
EOY Total:	76/226	F-0/EMS-0	\$47,547.17

*Galion millage for fire is .39% and 50%=.89% total.
EMS calls are about 60% and the Fire 40%*

GUEST: None

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:

Complaints: Mailbox @ 533 Biddle Rd- Rusty stated he was going to check into that one tomorrow.

Miscellaneous:

OTA Legislative Alert:

Competitive Bidding Threshold

Pursuant to Section 9.17 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Director of Commerce determined the competitive bidding threshold for calendar year 2026 (January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026) to be **\$79,568**.

Residential Development Revolving Loan Fund Program

Guidelines have been released for the Residential Development Revolving Loan Fund Program (RDRLF), designed to strengthen housing opportunities across the state through strategic investment in Ohio's rural communities. Created in the state's most recent biennium budget, approximately \$100 million in loans will be available to help communities fund critical infrastructure needed to support the construction of new single-family homes.

Eligible applicants include townships located in counties with populations under 75,000 and where the number of privately owned housing units authorized by building permits in the previous calendar year falls below the statewide county average for the same period.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector (Rick Jeffrey) Report December 2025/January 2026

1/5: Call from Alan Garverick about building a Building. 419-971-6773

1/12: Call from Angela Brady; Questions about accessory building

1/15: Checked on 6175 Brandt Road Fence

1/16: Call from Zach Murton about Car Wash by DQ on 598. Wanted to know about Gas Line.

PROPERTIES IN NONCOMPLIANCE AFTER POSTING:

- ***Penn property on SR309.***
- ***Nickler property on Hosford Rd.***
- ***Brammer Property on Greenbrier/Chiswick***
- ***Brandt Road Property - fence on property***
- ***Biddle/County Line – Trucks and other things***

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

Fire Levy: Paperwork is turned into Board of Elections. Brett is awaiting confirmation that everything is good to go. He might have to initial something but everything is good.

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

ROAD REPORT:

Glenn: Nothing

Russell: Checking on potholes when they appear.

The trustee certified that there was money in the funds to pay the bills.

MOTION: Russell Sellman moved 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 Rusty Sellman, 2nd by Glenn Cheesman. On vote Glenn Cheesman and Russell Sellman, “aye”. Motion carried.

Adjourned @ 19:17.

Chairman Tom Ray: _____ **Absent** _____

V-C Glenn Cheesman: _____

Trustee: Russell Sellman: _____

Attest: _____

Next meeting: February 18th, 2026