

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

**Regular Meeting
August 20th, 2025
7:00 P.M.**

The board met in a regular meeting pursuant to notice in the local newspaper and called to order at 7:02 PM. by Chairman Tom Ray. The Chairman called the roll, and the following members were present: Trustees: Tom Ray and Glenn Cheesman. Absent – Trustee Rusty Sellman and Fiscal Officer Brett Young. Also attending were Zoning Inspector Rick Jeffrey.

The minutes of the regular meeting on July 16th, 2025 were moved to approval for next meeting.

August Check Register

95-2025	Columbia Gas of Ohio	56.40
96-2025	Elan Financial Services	235.85
97-2025	Delta Dental	174.06
98-2025	Truly Nolen	65.00
99-2025	Vector Security	56.40
100-2025	City of Galion Utilities	470.45
101-2025	Park National Bank	4,119.49
102-2025	MedMutual Life	94.50
103-2025	Frontier	143.69
105-2025	OH Public Employees Deferred Comp	750.00
10419	Ag-Pro Ohio LLC	49.35
10420	A&E Fire and Safety Services LLC	64.50
10421	City of Galion Auditor	18,331.25
10422	Saunders Excavating	1,150.00
10423	Stacey Ferguson	85.00
10424	Keller Auto Parts, Inc	29.46
10425	Cole Distributing Inc.	210.28
10426	Nancy Mousseau	270.00
10427	John Beach	60.00
10428	A Cut Above Tree Service	450.00
10429	Ryan Lee Bash	351.08
10430	Glenn Ellis Cheesman	193.38
10431	Rickey E. Jeffrey	542.39
10432	Thomas William Ray	934.02
10433	Russell Addison Sellman	934.02
10434	Brett Alan Young	1,404.10
10435	Public Employee Retirement System	1,440.14
TOTAL		32,471.96

Resolution for Transfer of Funds:

RESOLUTION 10-2025: Glenn Cheesman moved the adoption of resolution 10-2025 to approve the transfer of funds from:

1000-110-360-0000 to 1000-110-314-0000 for \$ 275

2031-910-910-0000 to 2031-330-314-0000 for \$ 25

For Tax Collection fees from County.

Tom Ray seconded the motion and the roll called with the following results; Russell Sellman and Tom Ray voted 'Aye'. So, the resolution was adopted and motion carried.

Resolution for beginning and ending check numbers:

RESOLUTION 11-2025: Glenn Cheesman moved to accept the adoption of Resolution 11-2025 to approve the beginning **Check No. 10419** as the check number following the last **Check No. 10418** from the last months check register, Tom Ray seconded the motion and the roll called with the following results; Glenn Cheesman and Tom Ray 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			
September			
October			
November			
December			
EOY Total:	46/144	F-0/EMS- 0	\$25,529.90

'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

<i>May</i>	<i>2/19</i>	<i>F-0/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$4,410.68</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>6/25</i>	<i>F-0/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$3,462.48</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>5/14</i>	<i>F-2/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$4,155.21</i>
<i>August</i>	<i>6/14</i>	<i>F-5/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$1,763.06</i>
<i>September</i>	<i>6/11</i>	<i>F-3/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$1,032.37</i>
<i>October</i>	<i>11/29</i>	<i>F-0/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$637.64</i>
<i>November</i>	<i>7/24</i>	<i>F-0/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$3,062.89</i>
<i>December</i>	<i>5/24</i>	<i>F-0/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$1,375.74</i>
<i>EOY Total:</i>	<i>70/228</i>	<i>F-0/EMS-0</i>	<i>\$39,452.31</i>

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

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

CITIZENS REQUEST/COMPLAINTS:

Potholes on Railroad @ SR309/SR61; Potholes on Iberia Rd; High Grass/Weeds at Westmoor and Chestnut ditch area and Evans Rd; Railroad St Issue- Brett called City to confirm that this was annexed by City a couple years ago and Township no longer handles that stretch of road.

John Weaver 465 Laughbaum Drive- Tile issue; Tom & Rusty are going out Friday to talk to him.

630 Alayne Ave: Water Issue. Sent Certified Letter and Called in 8/17. Trustees going out Friday to talk with homeowners as well.

Guest: None

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Pete from Pivatol. They are building a multigenerational housing project in Galion and needed a letter of recommendation from Township. Brett wrote a letter in support.

OTA Legislative Alert: -

Compensation Chart for 2026 is included in packet along with FAQ. Re-elected Trustees will receive new pay increase next year. Other Trustee and Fiscal Officer will not received increase until after re-election per ORC.

ZONING: Zoning Inspector (Rick Jeffrey) Report July 2025/August 2025

Permits: #71 Jane Rittenour Building Permit Accessory Building - \$50 Cash
#72 Zane Ekin Drive Permit - \$150 CK#332

7/27 Issued Permit #00071 to Jan & Sandra Rittenhour @ 250 Taylor Rd for 24 x 32 Accessory Building. \$50 Cash. (Brett)

8/4 Call from Andrew Buick about old Rite Aid Building 614-753-1674

8/6 Call from Louis Hill 740-262-4852

8/9 Checked on 240 Biddle Rd

8/11 Call from J. Bessinger about burning a building; Advised him to call Sherrif & Fire Dept.

8/18 Call from Brad about 0 Bennett Dr.

8/19 Call from Rusty Woods about ____ on Crawford /Morrow County Line Rd 740-641-0113

Call from Zane Ekin about Driveway Permit @ 561 Laughbaum Dr. Issued Permit #00072 CK# 332 \$150.

Call from James Burkholder @ 1135 Knorr Rd about building 30x40 Pole Barn (No Go)

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

Zoning Board Meeting Update: Meets every 2nd 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.

Culvert Replacement on Countyline Rd West of 97: No Update on Timeline yet.

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

PF Sanitation: Discussion ensued about pay and length. Tom mentioned to Glenn that he'd rather wait till Rusty is here to vote on something like this. Tom mentioned to Glenn to get details about time frame and start date and that we are favorable about them doing it just need additional details.

ROAD REPORT:

Glenn:

Russell: Absent

Tom: Asked Ryan how it was going, he stated he's slowly getting back around a 2nd Time.

Ryan mentioned that he passed his CDL Test and received his endorsement. Asked about maintenance plan on the trucks, Tom stated the Township usually does the maintenance and for other issues hired outside contractors to complete work. Tom mentioned to Ryan that if he was comfortable changing the oil then go ahead, but they haven't been needed/used much. Ryan brought up about the Red Truck Plow getting fixed. Tom mentioned to bring it to Gledhill's when he has the opportunity.

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

There being no further business, Motion to adjourn meeting by Glenn Cheesman, 2nd by Tom Ray. On vote Glenn Cheesman and Tom Ray, "aye". Motion carried.

Adjourned @ 19:22.

Chairman Tom Ray: _____

V-C Glenn Cheesman: _____

Trustee: Russell Sellman: _____ **Absent** _____

Attest: _____

Next meeting: September 17th, 2025