

The Board of Liberty Township Trustees met in Regular Session at the township administration office on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance, Mr. Arnie Clebone, Mr. Devon Stanley, and Mr. Gregory Cizmar presiding.

* Motion 26-121 was read at the beginning of the meeting and approved by the Board of Trustees, after which Officer Seth Cain was sworn in by Law Director Cherry Poteet. Congratulations!

MS Consultants offered a presentation regarding the Belmont Avenue Corridor Plan (between Downtown Youngstown to Churchill Commons Giant Eagle). A question-and-answer period followed. More information can be found at <https://buildingabetterbelmont.org>.

Fiscal Officer Matthew Connelly presented his financial report, noting that the cash summary report now includes funds from the Belmont Park Cemetery Trust. Mr. Connelly announced that the May bank statement has been reconciled and he is working on the June statement. Additionally, the bi-annual third-party state audit is currently in progress. He expects they will be done by the end of the month with no anticipated issues. Mr. Connelly pointed out the three levy renewals on the evening's agenda and announced the completion of the 2027 Alternative Tax Budget. He stated that the true budget forecast looks promising for next year, in part because of the Police Levy's passing last May. However, the Trumbull County Treasurer has reported property tax bills and payment deadlines are delayed as they must be recalculated because of changes recently adopted by the legislature, which will likely delay the receipt of second-half property taxes. Finally, Mr. Connelly shared a personnel update, thanking his assistant of seven years, Teena Wylie, for her dedication and hard work as she prepares to retire at the end of the month. She will be succeeded by Denise Leone, who previously held the role.

Correspondence: Trustee Devon Stanley mentioned the Trumbull County Treasurer's Office extended an invitation to meet with the Board to explain the delay in tax statements.

Reports:

Administrator Martha Weirick stated several upcoming events (see bottom of the minutes). She noted no regular scheduled meetings are held in August. However, any special meetings will be posted on the website and outside sign.

Fire Department Chief Doug Theobald was absent but submitted his report.

Police Department Chief Ray Buhala presented his report. He reviewed some of the month's stats including 1,616 calls for service, 42 physical arrests, 132 vehicles were stopped, 94 warnings given, 41 citations issued, 23 vehicle crashes were handled and 29 vehicles were towed. Chief Buhala expressed appreciation to the Board of Trustees for the recent hiring of Officer Seth Cain. He outlined future staffing goals, noting his intention to request authorization for one additional officer next fiscal year. Chief Buhala also provided a training update, stating that the department's three newest officers are currently completing their field training by riding along with veteran officers.

Road Superintendent Wayne Hickman provided updates on several township projects. At the request of the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), additional engineering is underway for the sidewalk project at Belmont and Churchill. The design will now route the sidewalk behind the telephone pole. Work will resume once ODOT approves the revised plans. Meanwhile, the Center Park Project is near completion, pending a final fence estimate. Following the signing of all contract documents, the 2026 Paving Program is moving forward. RT Vernal, the successful bidder, is currently scheduling the work. Due to active paving on Belmont Avenue, motorists are advised to avoid intersections between Liberty Street and State Route 304. At Belmont Park Cemetery, recent dry weather and the hiring of two part-time employees have allowed crews to clear accumulated vegetation. Mr. Hickman thanked Greg Cizmar and Brian Mulichak for successfully repairing a compressor that had been broken for 15 years. The road crew continues to focus on routine drainage and road department maintenance.

Zoning Inspector Ms. Melissa Ritchie was absent but submitted her report.

New Business:

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, June 8, 2026 and the Thursday, June 18, 2026 Regular meetings. Motion: Mr. Stanley. Second: Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve warrant/eft expenditures for the month of June 2026 in the amount of \$743,860.72 warrants #27713 through #27776 inclusive. Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second: Mr. Stanley.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Purchase Order Listing and any Then and Now Certificates for the month of June 2026. Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second: Mr. Stanley.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

26-112 Motion to increase appropriations in the Opioid Settlement Fund by \$57,000 for the purchase of a StrongArm device at \$8,460.12, the JAWS of Life device at \$37,647.23 both from line #2902-230-740-1325 and \$10,000 from line # 2902-210-190-0000 towards Police Officers Drug Task Force salary for 2026. Motion: Mr. Stanley. Second: Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: Trustee Stanley commended the departments for their joint efforts. Fiscal Officer Matthew Connelly clarified the funds originated from opioid pharmaceutical settlement distributions allowing drug task force personnel and qualifying law enforcement equipment to be purchased with those funds.

26-113 Motion to approve the Alternative Tax Budget for the fiscal year 2027 and request the Fiscal Officer to forward the Budget to the Trumbull County Commissioners.

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second: Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

26-114 Motion to adopt a Resolution to Proceed with Renewal of a Fire and EMS levy 1.0 Mills

RESOLUTION TO PROCEED AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, TRUMBULL COUNTY OHIO, THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL OF A LEVY IN THE AMOUNT OF 1.0 MILLS FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS FOR FIRE AND EMS PURPOSES (1.0 Mill Renewal Levy)

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Liberty Township, which is located exclusively in Trumbull County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the existing 1.0 mill levy for Fire and EMS purposes expires in 2026 (collected in 2027), and it is necessary to renew the existing levy in order to have sufficient funds for the Township Fire and EMS purposes; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2026, the Board of Trustees passed and adopted Resolution 26-101 declaring the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount necessary for the purposes of Fire and EMS services as set forth in RC §5705.19(I), and that it is necessary to levy a Renewal of an existing tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2026, the Trumbull County Auditor certified to the Board of Trustees that:

- 1) the dollar amount of revenue to be generated by the tax levy at the stated millage, assuming tax valuation of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$193,006; and
- 2) The total tax value of the Township of \$329,396,660; and
- 3) The millage is 1.0 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$17.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's market value.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, all members elected thereto concurring, that the Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of a Renewal levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation as follows:

- (a) The proposed rate of the tax shall be 1.0 mills for each one dollar of taxable value.
- (b) The purpose of the tax shall be:
For providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment or maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time or volunteer firefighting personnel or firefighting companies to operate the same, including the payment of fire fighter employer's contributions required under §742.34 of the Ohio Revised Code or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company;
- (c) The tax is a Renewal levy.
- (d) The sections of the Revised Code authorizing submission of the question of the tax are: R.C. §505.37, R.C. §5705.19(I) and R.C. §5705.191.
- (e) The tax is for a five year period of time.
- (f) The tax is to be levied upon the entire territory of Liberty Township.
- (g) The date of the election at which the question of the tax shall appear on the ballot is November 3, 2026.
- (h) The ballot measure shall be submitted to the entire territory of Liberty Township.
- (i) The tax year in which the tax will first be levied is 2027 and the calendar year in which the tax will first be collected is 2028.
- (j) Liberty Township is wholly located in Trumbull County, Ohio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fiscal Officer of this Board of Trustees of Liberty Township be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution and all other necessary documents to the Trumbull County Board of Elections, not less than ninety days prior to the election and request said Board of Elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the form of ballot to be used for submitting the question of such Renewal tax levy to the electors of Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, and cast at the election, shall be in conformity with all provisions of law and/or as follows:

"A Renewal tax for the benefit of Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment or maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time or volunteer firefighting personnel or firefighting companies to operate the same, including the payment of fire fighter employer’s contributions required under §742.34 of the Ohio Revised Code or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, that the county auditor estimates will collect \$193,006 annually, at a rate not exceeding 1.0 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$17.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s market value, for a period of five (5) years, first levied in 2027 and collected in 2028.”

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Motion: Mr. Stanley. Second: Mr. Cizmar.
Roll Call: Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

26-115 Motion to adopt a Resolution to Proceed with Renewal of a Fire and EMS levy 2.0 Mills

RESOLUTION TO PROCEED AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, TRUMBULL COUNTY OHIO, THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL OF A LEVY IN THE AMOUNT OF 2.0 MILLS FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS FOR FIRE AND EMS PURPOSES (2.0 Mill Renewal Levy)

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Liberty Township, which is located exclusively in Trumbull County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the existing 2.0 mill levy for Fire and EMS purposes expires in 2026 (collected in 2027), and it is necessary to renew the existing levy in order to have sufficient funds for the Township Fire and EMS purposes; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2026, the Board of Trustees passed and adopted Resolution 26-99 declaring the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount necessary for the purposes of Fire and EMS services as set forth in RC §5705.19(I), and that it is necessary to levy a Renewal of an existing tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2026, the Trumbull County Auditor certified to the Board of Trustees that:

- 1) the dollar amount of revenue to be generated by the tax levy at the stated millage, assuming tax valuation of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$460,046; and
- 2) The total tax value of the Township of \$329,396,660; and
- 3) The millage is 2.0 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$45.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s market value.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, all members elected thereto concurring, that the Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of a Renewal levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation as follows:

- (a) The proposed rate of the tax shall be 2.0 mills for each one dollar of taxable value.
- (b) The purpose of the tax shall be:
For providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighters personnel or firefighting companies to operate the same, including the payment firefighter employer’s contribution required under section 742.34 of the Revised Code, or to purchase

- ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company;
- (c) The tax is a Renewal levy.
- (d) The sections of the Revised Code authorizing submission of the question of the tax are: R.C. §505.37, R.C. §5705.19(I) and R.C. §5705.191.
- (e) The tax is for a five year period of time.
- (f) The tax is to be levied upon the entire territory of Liberty Township.
- (g) The date of the election at which the question of the tax shall appear on the ballot is November 3, 2026.
- (h) The ballot measure shall be submitted to the entire territory of Liberty Township.
- (i) The tax year in which the tax will first be levied is 2027 and the calendar year in which the tax will first be collected is 2028.
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	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Motion: Mr. Stanley. Second: Mr. Cizmar.
 Roll Call: Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

26-116 Motion to adopt a Resolution to Proceed with Renewal of a Police and EMS levy 2.0 Mills

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WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Liberty Township, which is located exclusively in Trumbull County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the existing 2.0 mill levy for Police and EMS purposes expires in 2026 (collected in 2027), and it is necessary to renew the existing levy in order to have sufficient funds for the Township Police and EMS purposes; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2026, the Board of Trustees passed and adopted Resolution 26-100 declaring the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount necessary for the purposes of Police and EMS services as set forth in RC §5705.19(J), and that it is necessary to levy a Renewal of an existing tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2026, the Trumbull County Auditor certified to the Board of Trustees that:

- 1) the dollar amount of revenue to be generated by the tax levy at the stated millage, assuming tax valuation of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$386,012; and

- 2) The total tax value of the Township of \$329,396,660; and
- 3) The millage is 2.0 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$34.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s market value.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, all members elected thereto concurring, that the Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of a Renewal levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation as follows:

- (a) The proposed rate of the tax shall be 2.0 mills for each one dollar of taxable value.
- (b) The purpose of the tax shall be:
For providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of a police department, or the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police officer employer’s contribution required under section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised Code, for the payment of the costs incurred by the township as a result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or for the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, or for the payment of other related costs:
- (c) The tax is a Renewal levy.
- (d) The sections of the Revised Code authorizing submission of the question of the tax are: R.C. §505.50, R.C. §5705.19(J) and R.C. §5705.191.
- (e) The tax is for a five year period of time.
- (f) The tax is to be levied upon the entire territory of Liberty Township.
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	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second. Mr. Cizmar.
Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

26-117 Motion to hire William Rose as a part time seasonal employee for the Belmont Park Cemetery and township grounds at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, no benefits effective June 29, 2026.
Motion: Mr. Stanley. Second: Mr. Cizmar.
Roll Call: Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

26-118 Motion to hire Denise Leone as the Fiscal Officer’s Assistant at a rate of \$20.00 per hour effective 8/3/26 pending pre-employment drug testing. Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second. Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

26-119 Motion to hire Laney Ericson as a part time basic EMT/Firefighter at a rate of \$20.00 per hour no benefits. First day worked will be her hire date pending pre-employment drug testing and successful background check.

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second: Mr. Stanley.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Motion carried.

26-120 Motion to hire Caden Candel as a part time basic EMT/Firefighter at a rate of \$20.00 per hour no benefits. First day worked will be her hire date pending pre-employment drug testing and successful background check.

Motion: Mr. Stanley. Second: Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

*The below motion was read and voted on at the beginning of the meeting:

26-121 Motion to hire Seth T. Cain as a full time Liberty Township Probationary Police Officer at a rate of \$26.44 per hour per the terms of the bargaining agreement between the Ohio Patrolmen Benevolent Association and the Liberty Township Board of Trustees effective July 20, 2026 pending pre-employment drug test.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second: Mr. Stanley.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

26-122 Motion to increase the appropriations in the General Fund by \$10,000 and establish a new line item in that amount for nuisance abatements.

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second: Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: Fiscal Officer Matthew Connelly explained as he had not budgeted a line item for the current year for nuisance abatements, and he would like to create a line item where he can keep track of the expenditures on nuisance abatements and pay them from that line item. Trustees Stanley and Cizmar agreed to the motion on the understanding that all proposed abatement expenditures must be specifically authorized by the Trustees.

26-123 Motion to accept the resignation of Brycen Prasky as a part time FF/EMT effective July 8, 2026.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second: Mr. Clebone.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

26-124 Motion to approve the following:

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED VACATION OF A PORTION OF GOLF AVENUE, SMITHSONIAN STREET, EVERGREEN AVENUE AND TAYLOR AVENUE LOCATED IN LIBERTY TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, Anthony Sveth, the owner of Property identified in Exhibit A of the Petition to Vacate filed with the Trumbull County Board of Commissioners on June 5, 2026, which lands adjoin portions of public streets known as Golf Avenue, Smithsonian Street, Evergreen Avenue and Taylor Avenue, located in Liberty Township, and has filed a Petition to vacate the portions of Golf Avenue, Smithsonian Street, Evergreen Avenue and Taylor Avenue adjoining his property; and

WHEREAS, the portions of Golf Avenue, Smithsonian Street, Evergreen Avenue and Taylor Avenue, Overbrook Avenue adjoining the Sveth property that have been Petitioned for Vacation have never been opened as a public street have not been used by the general public for public road purposes for a period of more than 21 years, and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5503.04 provides that a board of county commissioners shall not adopt a resolution to vacate a public road that is a township road unless the board of township trustees has adopted a resolution approving the vacation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Liberty Township Board of Trustees approves vacating the portions of Golf Avenue, Smithsonian Street, Evergreen Avenue and Taylor Avenue, adjoining the parcels owned by Anthony Sveth in Liberty Township, as described in the Petition to Vacate and Plat filed with the Trumbull County Board of Commissioners on June 5, 2026 and received by the Board of Trumbull County Commissioners on June 24, 2026.

SECTION 2: That the Fiscal Officer certify a copy of this Resolution to the Trumbull County Board of County Commissioners.

SECTION 3: That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second. Mr. Clebone.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion: Law Director Cherry Poteet explained the multiple paper streets that have never been paved or used will be vacated and the area of the streets and the multiple parcels surrounding them will be combined into a single parcel.

Citizens may speak on any matter.

A resident commended the Township and MS Consultants for their efforts to beautify Belmont Avenue. He also expressed his approval of the vehicle sales and garage services moratorium. He inquired of the status of the Tibbetts-Wick Road Gas Station. The resident asked for a status update of the outstanding violations. Trustee Cizmar noted that the owner is currently working with a civil engineer to design a septic system for the site. The resident suggested fining the owner.

Trustees' remarks. Trustee Arnie Clebone reminded everyone of the township's 250 Celebration at Churchill Park Saturday July 18 from 5 – 10 p.m. This event is to promote our heritage. There will be vendors, local businesses, a farmers' market, and food trucks concluding with a fireworks display. In case of bad weather, the event will be moved to the LYRIC Building on Churchill Hubbard Road. In addition, the winners who participated in the Heritage Tour will be pulled that night. There are multiple prizes from \$10, \$20, \$50 up to a \$100 Walmart Gift Card prize.

Trustee Greg Cizmar wanted to recognize ODOT for paving of Belmont Avenue and Trumbull County for paving Logan Gate. He thanked Brian Mulichak again for his help with the Belmont Park Cemetery Air Compressor. Lastly, a silent auction started today for the 20 plus cars in the impound lot.

Motion to adjourn at 7:31 p.m.

Next business meeting is Thursday July 23rd at 8:00 a.m.

No Regular Meetings are scheduled for the month of August. Special meetings would be advertised and placed on the web site.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Township residents aged 60 and older are warmly invited to join us on Wednesday, July 15th, starting at 11:00 a.m. Come enjoy a complimentary light lunch and live entertainment provided by our very own Officer Lou Ronghi. This event is a wonderful opportunity to talk to your safety forces and township staff. Additionally, representatives from various agencies will be on hand to share valuable information about promoting independent living. We look forward to seeing you there!

Music in Churchill Park is Thursday, July 16th at 7:00 p.m. featuring the Blue Siren Band who play rock, pop and country hits!

July 18th Liberty Township 250th Celebration at Churchill Park from 5 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Learn more about our heritage, meet with vendors and finish the festivities with fireworks!

FISCAL OFFICER MATTHEW CONNELLY

CHAIRMAN GREG CIZMAR