



**GERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2025**

The meeting was held at the German Township Hall located at 12102 St. Rt. 725 West, Germantown, OH 45327 and virtually using WebEx.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jacob Stubbs at 2:05 pm. In attendance were:

President Jacob Stubbs	Vice President Mark Cross	Fiscal Officer Mark Heistand
	WebEx Facilitator Shauna Close	

Trustee Louis Potter was absent.

IN-PERSON ATTENDEES:

Name	Address	Name	Address
David Gehron	German Township	James Rowland	German Township

ONLINE ATTENDEES:

Name	Name	Name	Name
Abigail	DC		

The Germantown Press was notified of the Special Meeting on 9/18/25 at 4:43 am.

Mr. Stubbs led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then excused Mr. Potter from the meeting.

The announced purpose of the Special Meeting was:

- To approve a video service franchise fee for all video service providers in the Township.
- To amend Resolution 2025-47, which approved certification of unpaid trash invoices.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

- None

AMEND RESOLUTION 2025-47:

- Mr. Heistand reported that payments had been received on past due trash invoices that were included in the original Resolution adopted at the 9/8/25 meeting. To avoid having these now-paid amounts certified to the County Auditor for assessment of the property owners, the Resolution needed to be amended to reduce the certification amount.
 - Mr. Stubbs introduced **REVISED RESOLUTION 2025-47**, seconded by Dr. Cross: **A REVISED RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY OWNERS WHO ARE DELINQUENT AS TO WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICE CHARGES PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED**

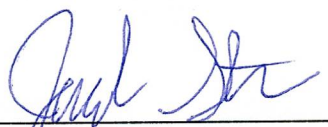
CODE SECTION 505.33 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,417.44. Mr. Stubbs read the relevant portions of the **RESOLUTION**. The roll was taken and the adoption vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs-Yes; Dr. Cross-Yes; Mr. Potter-Absent. **RESOLUTION 2025-42 WAS ADOPTED.**

APPROVAL OF A VIDEO SERVICE FRANCHISE FEE:

- Mr. Heistand announced that correspondence was received from altafiber Connected Services informing the Township that altafiber intends to provide video service in German Township. The notice was in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 1332.27. ORC Section 1332.32 allows township to collect a video service provider fee from the provider, who then collects the fee from its customers. This fee, previously known as a franchise fee, may not exceed five percent.
 - He noted that three video service providers currently serve the Township: (1) Charter Communications (fka Spectrum and/or Time Warner); (2) Hanson Communications (aka TSC Communications, fka Consolidated Communications and/or Germantown Independent Telephone Company); and (3) AT&T Communications. At present, Charter is paying the Township a 3% video service provider fee. Fees are not currently collected from either Hanson or AT&T. He recommended that the Trustees approve a 3% fee to be collected from all four video service providers.
 - **Visitor Comment: James Rowland:** Mr. Rowland stated that he receives internet from Hanson, but doesn't have good service. He did not want to pay a video provider service fee for bad service. He later stated that he does not purchase video (aka cable) service. He asked that if the Trustees decide to implement the fee, could the decision be reversed if the providers also apply the fee to internet access. Mr. Heistand and Mr. Stubbs assured him that the video service provider fee could be reversed at any time by future Trustees.
 - Mr. Stubbs introduced **REVISED RESOLUTION 2025-49**, seconded by Dr. Cross: **A RESOLUTION TO ENACT A VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER FEE OF 3% TO APPLY TO ALL CURRENT AND FUTURE VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDERS IN GERMAN TOWNSHIP, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ALTA FIBER CONNECTED SERVICES, CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, HANSON COMMUNICATIONS, AND AT&T COMMUNICATIONS.** Mr. Stubbs read the entire **RESOLUTION**. The roll was taken and the adoption vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs-Yes; Dr. Cross-Yes; Mr. Potter-Absent. **RESOLUTION 2025-49 WAS ADOPTED.**

MEETING ADJOURNED:

- With no further business, Mr. Stubbs made a MOTION, seconded by Dr. Cross, to adjourn. The MOTION WAS APPROVED by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm.

Signed: 

Jacob Stubbs, President, Board of Trustees

Attest: These minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at the October 14, 2025 meeting.

Signed: 

Mark A. Heistand, Fiscal Officer