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**HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
45955 STATE ROUTE 162 WELLINGTON OHIO 44090**

Minutes of May 18, 2026

The regular scheduled Trustee meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with the pledge of Allegiance. In attendance: Jed Lamb, Robert Holmes, Walter Rollin, Matt Combs, Amanda Jerore, and Christine Novak.

Motion by Lamb with a second by Holmes to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2026 meeting as written. Roll Call: three yeas. Motion passes.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Novak discussed the Cemetery expansion and pinning. The funds were not available in the Cemetery account so she is asking for it from the General Fund. Intends to move \$75,000.00 to cover the costs. No need for more appropriations at this time.

Novak discussed the check for the grade-all that was sold. The Trustees had previously stated that Lorain County Storm Water covered 80% of the cost; and therefore needed to be refunded 80% of the sale amount. Novak states that it was a grant from Storm Water, and grants don't usually have to be paid back. Novak is holding on to the check, for now, while she investigates the grant. The grant doesn't specifically say that it doesn't need to be paid back, but grants by definition usually don't require pay-back. If no pay-back required, check amount will be split evenly four ways with the other townships that helped with the purchase.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Dumpster Days went well. Huntington Township wants to thank Matt, Rob, and Alaina for their hard work and efforts.

Dominic Gatto from Valley Office Solutions requested a telephone conference to discuss their cybersecurity assistance package. Trustees discussed that they were most likely not interested, but he is welcome to come to a meeting to be heard.

RURAL WATER- Lamb: They are currently looking for someone to draw up some campus improvements. They are outgrowing their current facility and some of the outbuildings are more than 50 years old.

LORCO- Lamb: No new report.

AMBULANCE-Holmes: Runs for April: 150; runs in Huntington Township: 12. One overdose in April, did not end in a DOA. Mileage for April: 5,678; mileage year-to-date: 16, 931. Maintenance cost for April: \$451.86; maintenance cost year-to-

date: \$9,329.94. Results for the levy in Huntington Township- 152 for and 131 against.

FIRE- Rollin: Finishing the refurb on the truck

SHERIFF- Sheriff is lined up for the Memorial Day Parade.

OPWC/SWAC- Combs: Paperwork for the Mcmillan ditch is turned in. The culvert on Stewart Road is now in the county's hands. County said it's not currently a public safety issue.

LCOOA- Rollin: No new report.

CEMETERY- Rollin: There was a footer poured the other day in the wrong spot after a miscommunication with the maps. It was thought to be a double lot but it was a single lot. Met with the lot owner and they agreed to have it torn out and repoured by the Township. Should be able a half to one yard worth of cement.

Pinning the Cemetery will cost \$44,080.00 in labor; estimated based on how long they think it will take. Pins will cost \$23,850.00. Lamb can get rebar cheaper to lower the cost, but did not see rebar in the estimate from Lewis so it may be an additional cost.

ROADS- Combs: Started mowing today. Hoping to get one good pass in before Memorial Day.

EQUIPMENT- Combs: Everything going well. Dump truck running well. Backhoe fixed after blowing a line at dumpster days.

RECYCLING- Holmes: no new report.

ZONING INSPECTOR- Klebow received an email with a complaint about an abandoned property on St Rt 58 in Sullivan. Sent the Trustees information on property and asked for input. Trustees discussed that they would like to wait to get more information from the prosecutor about what authority they have. If fire wants to proceed, they can bring their concerns to the Trustees.

ZONING SECRETARY- Jerore: Zoning meeting tomorrow, May 19, 2026

LCTA- Next meeting in Olmsted Township. Fitch Road is closed at Cook. Will only have access from Bagley.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS- Memorial Day BBQ tickets still for sale. Having trouble selling, but will sell the day of the event.

NEW BUSINESS- The Huntington Historical third floor will be open to the public during the Memorial Day events. The office needs a new desk. The current desk is very old and broken. Novak's husband is selling a nice desk for \$60.00. Trustees agreed to purchase desk for \$50.00. Combs to pick up. **Motion** by Lamb with a second from Butch to hire Deb Knapp at Safeway Pest Control to spray the Township building for pests after Memorial Day. Roll Call: 3 yeas, Motion passes.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS- The old dumpsite looks great. They did a really great job at cleaning it up and getting it ready for the event. A Hold Harmless agreement is on file for the event. We also have a Hold Harmless agreement on file for the Lorain County Fair Shuttle.

The intersection of Routes 18 & 511 is getting ready to close on June 4, 2026. They are also ready to close Hawley Road.

Motion by Holmes with a second by Lamb to adjourn. Roll Call: three yeas. Meeting adjourned 7:42 PM.

Signed Chairman

Attest, Fiscal Officer