

Draft

HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

45955 STATE ROUTE 162 WELLINGTON OHIO 44090

Minutes of July 20, 2026

The regular scheduled Trustee meeting called to order at 7:01 PM with the pledge of Allegiance. In attendance: Robert Holmes, Jed Lamb, Walter Rollin, Matt Combs, Amanda Jerore, and Lynn Ickes.

Motion by Holmes with a second by Lamb to approve the meeting minutes of the July 6, 2026 meeting as written. Roll Call: three yeas.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lynn discussed a call she received a call from Kellie Deeter regarding a funding opportunity to assist the Township in building a new Township building. There is an opportunity to ask for \$250,000.00 that is not a grant, so the Township would not have to report back what they use the money for. The only stipulation is that is it used for a building. This also means that this funding can also be combined with grant funding from other agencies. There is a 0% interest loan from the USDA if we can prove eligible as a low-moderate income area. This loan can be up to \$1,000,000.00 and has a 20-25 year payoff. Lamb also discussed an EPA loan that Rural Water has used that has a 40 year payoff. Lynn requested access to Novak to discuss what the Township can afford. Lynn also stated that the funding can be used for an administrative or a public works building. She suggested a “barndominium” type building where the funding can be used to build the framework for a public works building and then an administrative portion could be built into the building over time. Lynn also asked the Trustees to consider selling naming rights to the new building for sponsorships. Lynn requested a meeting with the Trustees, Novak, and Combs to discuss. Tentative meeting set for July 28, 2026 at 5 PM with a backup date of July 30, 2026 at 5 PM if the first option does not work for Novak.

RURAL WATER- Lamb: Received a 20 mil zero interest loan from the EPA. They don’t have to use it all, but have the option if needed. Plans to use the money for new tanks and the potential of taking over water responsibilities for Pheasant Run in Lagrange.

LORCO- Lamb: No new report

AMBULANCE-Holmes: Huntington Township calls for June: 7. Huntington Township calls year-to-date: 64. Total calls for the district for June: 134. Total calls for the district year-to-date: 805. No overdoses. Total miles for June: 4,155. Total

miles year-to-date 25,050. Maintenance cost for June: \$352.91. Maintenance cost year-to-date: \$9,682.85. New vehicle planned to be delivered by end of the year. Everything going well.

FIRE- Rollin: National Night Out at Wellington Rec Park on August 4, 2026 from 5:00 – 8:00 PM

SHERIFF- no new report

OPWC/SWAC- Combs: No new report.

LCOOA- Rollin: No new report.

CEMETARY- Rollin: Plans to look over Cemetery Grant to see what the Township may be eligible for.

ROADS- Combs: Ran 18 loads of blacktop so far. Rochester needs between 12-20 loads. Had a dilemma with the roller the Township rented with Rochester. Combs fixed it and saved the receipts. Plans to get the funds returned once the roller is turned back in. Has the salt contract signed. Ordered 100 tons. 20 tons goes right to Eaton Township to pay back what they lent Huntington Township last season. Roads need mowed but right now is prioritizing getting the shim work done.

EQUIPMENT- Combs: Everything working well.

RECYCLING- Holmes: Tire recycle at the Port Authority Building in Elyria will be October 8, 2026. Flyers will be forthcoming. They can now recycle and sell recycled Styrofoam. There was a plastic bag contest at the schools and they collected 171,000 plastic bags weighing approximately 2,000 pounds. They will also be able to sell these recycled plastic bags. They have partnered with the Ronald McDonald House and are now saving can tabs.

ZONING INSPECTOR- Klebow: No new report. Trustees commented on progress being made at the property on 58 across from the church.

ZONING SECRETARY- Jerore: No new report. Zoning meeting tomorrow.

LCTA- Looking to fill some remaining spots on the Fair Booth. There are tickets left for the LCTA Fair Breakfast.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS- The old school bell has not yet been installed. Howard is waiting on Dave Kelsey to pour the concrete pad.

NEW BUSINESS- Health Benefits Plans for 2027 are due September 1, 2026. However, there is no determination yet from the county. Lynn recommended the Trustees look into healthcare through OTA or Marketplace. Rollin mentioned that the Fire District had someone come in and discuss health insurance. Wellington saved money by choosing their own health insurance instead of going through the county.

Combs requested concrete pads be poured under the bleachers at the Community Park. He has a quote from Denes Concrete for \$9,300.00 for concrete to be poured under four sets of bleachers. Combs is still getting quotes so is not asking for determination, yet. However, he notes that this will save on mowing time and equipment use at the park.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS- Dumpster Days will be October 16th and 17th, 2026.

Motion by Lamb with a second by Holmes to adjourn. Roll Call: 3 yeas.
Meeting adjourned 7:51 PM.

Signed Chairman

Attest, Fiscal Officer