## MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SMITH TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES HELD Friday, September 26, 2025

## AT 4:00 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE

PURPOSE AS POSTED ON THE WEBSITE 9/25/2025: The Smith Township Board of Trustees call a Special meeting Friday. September 26, 2025, 4:00 p.m. at the township hall to review and accept a Cyber Security Policy.

This special meetin	g of the Smith Towns	hin B	oard of Trustees is now called to Order:
Board Members Pro	esent to determine a Q	uorun	n for the purpose of taking legal action by the Board
ROLL CALL:	Trustee Barnett	X	present
	Trustee Chris	$\underline{\mathbf{X}}$	present
	Trustee Showalter	X	present
Also Present:			
Audrey Fox (Fiscal	Officer).		

**RESOLUTION 2025-0926-01S** Be it resolved that the Smith Township Board of Trustees have reviewed and accept the cyber policy in accordance with R.C. §9.64 cybersecurity requirements. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Criss

Seconded by Mr. Barnett

Roll Call Vote:

Yes No Mr. Criss

✓ Yes No Mr. Criss✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

## Adjournment

Motion by Chairperson, Mr. Showalter to adjourn meeting.

Next Regular Meeting is 7:00 p.m. October 7, 2025.

## RESOLUTION 2025-0926-01S RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CYBERSECURITY POLICY

- WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has implemented Ohio Revised Code §9.64, enacted in HB 96 (136th G.A.), requiring all local governments and jurisdictions to establish a cybersecurity policy by September 30, 2025; and
- WHEREAS, the purpose of this requirement is to strengthen protections of public data, information systems, and technology resources from cybersecurity threats and risks; and
- WHEREAS, the SMITH Township recognizes the importance of safeguarding sensitive and confidential information entrusted to SMITH Township; and
- WHEREAS, a draft Cybersecurity Policy has been prepared and reviewed by staff and is recommended for adoption as a framework for compliance with Ohio Revised Code §9.64 and HB 96; and
- WHEREAS, the policy provides guidance on access control, system security, data protection, incident response, training, and vendor management, while requiring consultation with IT professionals and legal counsel for implementation and customization;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of SMITH Township, MAHONING County, Ohio, that:

- 1. The attached Cybersecurity Policy is hereby adopted as the official policy of SMITH Township.
- 2. This policy shall take effect immediately, with adoption required by September 30, 2025, and implementation of technical and training requirements no later than June 30, 2026, as provided by the Ohio Auditor of State.
- 3. The Board of Trustees shall distribute the adopted policy to all township departments, employees, and relevant contractors, and to ensure compliance in partnership with IT providers and legal counsel.
- 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and adoption by the SMITH Township Board of Trustees.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this [Day] of [Month], 2025.  Scott Showalter Terry Criss  Audrey Fox Signat	Larry Barnett  9-26-25  tory Day
---	----------------------------------