MINUTES OF A **SPECIAL** MEETING OF THE SMITH TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO

HELD Wednesday, October 14, 2026

AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL

PURPOSE AS POSTED ON THE WEBSITE & NEWSPAPER 10/12/26: The Smith Township Trustees called a Special Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, 2026 at the Township Hall at 5:00 p.m. to discuss Nuisance Properties & Police Dispatch Contract.

This special meeting of the Smith Township Board of Trustees is now called to order by Mr. Showalter.

Board Members Present:

ROLL CALL:	Trustee Barnett	X present
	Trustee Showalter	X present
	Trustee Criss	X present

Also Present:
Susan Terry, Fiscal Officer
Peggy Christy, Zoning Inspector

Citizens' Comments:

Mr. Showalter acknowledged resident Mr. Jeffery Bench's (22567 Attwood St., Alliance, Ohio) presence and his request to speak.

Mr. Bench wanted to ask a question to gain clarification of a fallen tree located across the road at Price Road. Discussion included the roadway in question is not within the jurisdiction of Smith Township and therefore is owned, to the middle of the road, by the property owners on either side of the roadway. The Township is not permitted to remove the tree as it would result in a violation: trespassing. Mr. Bench was satisfied with the clarification.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-01

A Resolution authorizing a contract for the City of Canfield to provide Police Dispatch Services and compliance with fiscal certification requirements. The City of Canfield will provide police dispatch services beginning October, 2026 at a rate of $3,333.33 per month through the end of 2026 and an annual contract for the years of 2027 – 2029 at a rate of $40,000/year with any increase to be capped at 3% for the years of 2028 & 2029. Passed

Moved by: Mr. Barnett Seconded by: Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

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Mr. Barnett: Yea
Mr. Criss: Yea
Mr. Showalter: Yea

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-02

Be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or other debris upon the following real property constitutes a nuisance:

Owner of record: Robert T. Berardi
Address: 14400 Oyster Rd., Alliance, OH 44601
Parcel IDs: 190320039000, 190320040000, 190320062000, 190320041000, 190320042000, 190320043000, 190320044000, and 190320061000

Moved by: Mr. Barnett Seconded by: Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Barnett: Yea
Mr. Criss: Yea
Mr. Showalter: Yea

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-03

Be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or other debris upon the following real property constitutes a nuisance:

Owner of record: Robert L. Wilson
Address: No Street address. NE Corner of Rt. 62 and 12th
Parcel ID: 16-057-0-004.00-0

Moved by: Mr. Criss Seconded by: Mr. Barnett

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Barnett: Yea
Mr. Criss: Yea
Mr. Showalter: Yea

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-04

Be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that there is a motor vehicle located on private property within the unincorporated areas of the township and has been determined to be "junk motor vehicle" as defined in Section 505.173 of the Ohio Revised Code, meeting all of the following criteria: (1) three model years old or older; (2) apparently inoperable; and (3) extensively damaged, including but not limited to any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine or transmission; and the Township shall provide for the removal of said junk motor vehicle(s) from the property on which the vehicle is located, not sooner than fourteen days after the Board serves written notice of its intention to remove or cause the removal of the vehicle on the owners of the land and any holders of liens of record on the land as provided in ORC Section 505.871(C)(3). Passed.

Owner of record: David Arkenburgh
Address: 704 S. Mahoning Ave, Alliance, OH 44601

Moved by: Mr. Barnett Seconded by: Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Barnett: Yea
Mr. Criss: Yea
Mr. Showalter: Yea

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-05

Be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or other debris upon the following real property constitutes a nuisance:

Owner of record: Mary Kline
Address: 22410 Alden Ave., Alliance, OH 44601
Parcel ID: 190310109000

Moved by: Mr. Criss Seconded by: Mr. Barnett

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Barnett: Yea
Mr. Criss: Yea
Mr. Showalter: Yea

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MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-06

Be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that there is a motor vehicle located on private property within the unincorporated areas of the township and has been determined to be "junk motor vehicle" as defined in Section 505.173 of the Ohio Revised Code, meeting all of the following criteria: (1) three model years old or older; (2) apparently inoperable; and (3) extensively damaged, including but not limited to any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine or transmission; and the Township shall provide for the removal of said junk motor vehicle(s) from the property on which the vehicle is located, not sooner than fourteen days after the Board serves written notice of its intention to remove or cause the removal of the vehicle on the owners of the land and any holders of liens of record on the land as provided in ORC Section 505.871(C)(3). Passed.

The vehicle is not able to be identified/determined due to fire damage. Terry Criss will contract with an acceptable vendor to remove vehicle.

Owner of record: John Maldoren
Address: 14535 Beloit Snodes Rd., Beloit, OH 44609

Moved by: Mr. Barnett Seconded by: Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:
Mr. Barnett: Yea
Mr. Criss: Yea
Mr. Showalter: Yea

Other Business:

The Board requested that Peggy Christy prepare a job description draft for the Board to review as she has tenured her resignation during the October 6, 2026 meeting. Her last day is to be January 31, 2027.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Criss to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Mr. Barnett.

Meeting adjourned by Mr. Showalter.

Next Regular Meeting is 7:00 p.m. November 3, 2026.

SMITH TOWNSHIP, MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO
Resolution # 2026-1014-01
Special Meeting held on October 14, 2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR POLICE DISPATCH SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE WITH FISCAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

Whereas, the Board of Township Trustees of Smith Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, determines it is necessary and in the best interest of the township and its residents to secure reliable and professional police dispatch and public safety communications services; and

Whereas, the **City of Canfield** (104 Lisbon St., Canfield, Ohio 44406) has proposed an agreement to provide public safety communications and dispatch services to the Township for a term commencing January 1, 2027, and terminating December 31, 2029 with monthly services for the term of October 7, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

Whereas, the Township Fiscal Officer has reviewed the funding requirements for the current fiscal year and has prepared the required Fiscal Officer's Certificate pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.41(D) and 5705.44 to encumber the necessary funds for the current fiscal year as a continuing contract constraint;

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

SECTION 1: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT: The Board of Township Trustees hereby approves the agreement for Public Safety Communications and Police Dispatch Services with the City of Canfield for the term and under the financial conditions set forth in the contract attached hereto and incorporated herein.

SECTION 2: EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT: The members of this Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of the Township.

SECTION 3: FISCAL CERTIFICATION: The Township Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to attach the Fiscal Officer's Certificate to said contract in accordance with ORC 5705.41(D) and ORC 5705.44, encumbering the sum of $3,333.33 per month for the current fiscal year beginning in October, 2026 with subsequent years' balances constituting a fixed charge against future annual appropriations at a rate of $40,000.00 per calendar year to be made in quarterly payments. Any increase shall not exceed 3% in the years of 2028 and 2029.

SECTION 4: OPEN MEETINGS COMPLIANCE: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open Special meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including ORC Section 121.22

Moved by: Trustee Barnett Seconded by: Trustee Criss

Vote:

TRUSTEE BARNETT	√ Yea
TRUSTEE SHOWALTER	√ Yea
TRUSTEE CRISS	√ Yea

Adopted this 14th day of October, 2026.

Certification: Resolution 2026-1014-01

I, the undersigned Fiscal Officer, and Custodian of the Records of Smith Township hereby certifies that the above resolution is a true and accurate copy of the foregoing Resolution as appears in the Transcript of Minutes of the Official Record of Proceedings of the Smith Township Board of Trustees held on the 14th day of October, 2026. In Witness thereof, I have affixed my signature in acknowledgement thereof.

Date: 10-14-26

Susan Terry, Fiscal Officer

ORC 505.87

DECLARATION OF PROPERTY NUISANCE BY REASON OF OVERGROWN VEGETATION, GARBAGE, REFUSE, AND/OR OTHER DEBRIS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-02 DATE 10-14-26

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Smith Township Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or other debris upon the following real property constitutes a nuisance.

NUISANCE PROPERTY

Owner of Record: Robert T. Berardi

Street Address: 14400 Oyster Rd.
Alliance, OH 44601

County Auditor's Parcel ID: 19032003900O, 19032004000O, 19032006200O
19032004100O, 19032004200O, 19032004300O, 19032004400O, 19032016100O

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Board's intent to provide for the abatement, control, or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse, and/or other debris constituting said nuisance be given to all owners of the land and holders of liens of record upon said land in accordance with **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon proper notice, and failure of the property owner to abate said nuisance within seven days, the Board of Trustees provide for the abatement, control or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris constituting said nuisance in accordance with Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the cost expended by the Township for abatement of said nuisance be certified by the Fiscal Officer to the County Auditor, for placement as a lien on the property to be collected as other taxes and returned to the Township General Fund pursuant to **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**

ROLL CALL:

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

ORC 505.87

DECLARATION OF PROPERTY NUISANCE BY REASON OF OVERGROWN VEGETATION, GARBAGE, REFUSE, AND/OR OTHER DEBRIS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014 — 03 DATE 10-14-26

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Smith Township Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or other debris upon the following real property constitutes a nuisance.

NUISANCE PROPERTY

Owner of Record: Robert L. Wilson

Street Address: no street address - NE Corner of Rt. 62 and 12th St.

County Auditor's Parcel ID: 16-057-0-004.00-0

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Board's intent to provide for the abatement, control, or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse, and/or other debris constituting said nuisance be given to all owners of the land and holders of liens of record upon said land in accordance with **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon proper notice, and failure of the property owner to abate said nuisance within seven days, the Board of Trustees provide for the abatement, control or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris constituting said nuisance in accordance with Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the cost expended by the Township for abatement of said nuisance be certified by the Fiscal Officer to the County Auditor, for placement as a lien on the property to be collected as other taxes and returned to the Township General Fund pursuant to **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**

ROLL CALL:

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

Arkenlaw Auto

SMITH TOWNSHIP

Mahoning County Ohio

Resolution for Removal of Junk Motor Vehicles

Ohio Revised Code Section 505.871

Resolution No. 2026-1014-04 Adoption Date 10-14-26

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the following motor vehicle(s) located on private property within the unincorporated areas of the township are "junk motor vehicles" as defined in Section 505.173 of the Ohio Revised Code, meeting all of the following criteria: (1) three model years old or older; (2) apparently inoperable; and (3) extensively damaged, including but not limited to any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine or transmission; and the Township shall provide for the removal of said junk motor vehicle(s) from the property on which the vehicle is located, not sooner than fourteen days after the Board serves written notice of its intention to remove or cause the removal of the vehicle on the owners of the land and any holders of liens of record on the land as provided in Section 505.871(C)(3).

Junk Motor Vehicles and Property Locations

Year	Make	Model	Color	Property Address
				7045. Mahoning Ave., Alliance, OH 44601

Additional vehicles and property addresses may be listed on an attached sheet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Board's intent to provide for the removal of said junk motor vehicles be given to all owners of the land and holders of liens of record upon said land on which said motor vehicle(s) are located, in accordance with Section 505.871(C)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon proper notice, and failure of the property owner(s) to remove said junk motor vehicle(s) within fourteen (14) days of service of notice, the Board of Trustees shall provide for removal of said junk vehicle(s), and the expense thereof shall be certified by the fiscal officer to the county auditor who shall place the expense on the tax duplicate as a lien upon the property to be collected as other taxes and returned to the township general fund in accordance with Section 505.871(E) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Roll Call and Trustee Signatures

Trustee Printed Name	Vote	Trustee Signature	Date
SCOTT SHOWALTER	YES		10-14-2026
LARRY BARNETT	YES		10-14-2026
TOM GALL	YES		10-14-2026

ORC 505.87

DECLARATION OF PROPERTY NUISANCE BY REASON OF OVERGROWN VEGETATION, GARBAGE, REFUSE, AND/OR OTHER DEBRIS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2026-1014-05 DATE 10-14-26

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Smith Township Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or other debris upon the following real property constitutes a nuisance.

NUISANCE PROPERTY

Owner of Record: Mary Kline

Street Address: 22410 Alden Ave., Alliance, OH 44601

County Auditor's Parcel ID: 19031010900O

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Board's intent to provide for the abatement, control, or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse, and/or other debris constituting said nuisance be given to all owners of the land and holders of liens of record upon said land in accordance with **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon proper notice, and failure of the property owner to abate said nuisance within seven days, the Board of Trustees provide for the abatement, control or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris constituting said nuisance in accordance with Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the cost expended by the Township for abatement of said nuisance be certified by the Fiscal Officer to the County Auditor, for placement as a lien on the property to be collected as other taxes and returned to the Township General Fund pursuant to **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**

ROLL CALL:

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

Trustee _____ X yes ____ no

SMITH TOWNSHIP

Mahoning County Ohio

Resolution for Removal of Junk Motor Vehicles

Ohio Revised Code Section 505.871

Resolution No. 2026-1014-06 Adoption Date 10-14-26

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the following motor vehicle(s) located on private property within the unincorporated areas of the township are "junk motor vehicles" as defined in Section 505.173 of the Ohio Revised Code, meeting all of the following criteria: (1) three model years old or older; (2) apparently inoperable; and (3) extensively damaged, including but not limited to any of the following: missing wheels, tires, engine or transmission; and the Township shall provide for the removal of said junk motor vehicle(s) from the property on which the vehicle is located, not sooner than fourteen days after the Board serves written notice of its intention to remove or cause the removal of the vehicle on the owners of the land and any holders of liens of record on the land as provided in Section 505.871(C)(3).

Junk Motor Vehicles and Property Locations

Year	Make	Model	Color	Property Address
	Unable to extensive	determine damage / fire	due to damage.	14535 Beloit Snodes Rd, Beloit, OH 44609

Additional vehicles and property addresses may be listed on an attached sheet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Board's intent to provide for the removal of said junk motor vehicles be given to all owners of the land and holders of liens of record upon said land on which said motor vehicle(s) are located, in accordance with Section 505.871(C)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon proper notice, and failure of the property owner(s) to remove said junk motor vehicle(s) within fourteen (14) days of service of notice, the Board of Trustees shall provide for removal of said junk vehicle(s), and the expense thereof shall be certified by the fiscal officer to the county auditor who shall place the expense on the tax duplicate as a lien upon the property to be collected as other taxes and returned to the township general fund in accordance with Section 505.871(E) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Roll Call and Trustee Signatures

Trustee Printed Name	Vote	Trustee Signature	Date
Scott Shawalter	YES		10-14-2026
LARRY BARNETT	YES		10-14-2026
TERRY CAICI	YES		10/14/2026