

OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

February 9, 2026

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present were Jason Barger, Cpl. Rich Wallace, Asst. Chief Watkins, PTFD, Ken Kramig, Rhonda Kramig, Vicki Watkins, Chris Donley, Les Smith and Emily Supinger

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mr. Vogelsang.

Mr. Gilpin made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2026, regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Wolf. All members voted "yea"

Ken Kramig of Libby Lane spoke to the trustees about the rough joints in the pavement on their street as well as the junk accumulating at 1305 Libby Lane. Jason Barger noted that there is concrete under the blacktop and hoping that the cracks will improve in the spring. If not repairs will be made. Ken Kramig said that junk has been increasing at 1305 for over two years along with multiple vehicles that are not operational. Emily Supinger reported that a notice of violation letter was mailed out last week and a suit will be filed if the property is not cleaned up.

Asst. Chief Watkins, PTFD, gave his report (on file). Reported that the department is installing a first arrival video system; also reported finding some available re-mounted squad units that are available for purchase. A unit similar to the one Pierce Township has on order is available later in the year for \$269k; will need another \$10k for upfitting.

Cpl. Wallace, CCSO, gave his report (on file).

Les Smith gave his zoning report (on file). Reported that 1185 Twelve Mile Rd. has been professionally cleaned up; 2717 SR 132 is better; trash at 1449 Bethel NR Rd. has been removed; others have not improved. Mr. Vogelsang asked what could be done if the items at 1305 Libby Lane are not removed. Emily Supinger noted that they have 15 days from the date of the violation letter to clean up and court action can be filed for the Libby Lane property as well as 2865 SR 132 as a letter was sent to them at the same time.

Mr. Wolf made a motion to authorize the law director to initiate legal proceedings against Louie Jones and Paula & William Craig after the 15 day notice if not cleaned up, seconded by Mr. Gilpin. All members voted "yea"

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Jason Barger gave his maintenance report (on file). Reported that 55 tons of salt have been used on the 5 most recent snow events; squad 2 is out of service with the 4wd system not operating properly. Mr. Wolf complemented Jason Barger on his snow removal efforts this winter.

OLD BUSINESS:

BZA Appointment: Chris Henderson

Mr. Gilpin made a motion to appoint Chris Henderson to a 5 year term on the Board of Zoning Appeals expiring in March 2031, seconded by Mr. Wolf. All members voted “yea”

Squad Purchase Discussion: Bill Gilpin reported that he will have the monies appropriated in the permanent expenses to allow for the purchase of a re-mounted squad. Some money made be needed from the general fund as well as the fire/ems levy fund for the purchase.

Park Discussion: Bill Gilpin reported that the quote received for renaming the walking trail was in the amount of \$1,723.92; Jason Barger will handle the installation.

Mr. Wolf made a motion to purchase the new walking trail sign from Clary Signs for \$1,723.92, seconded by Mr. Gilpin. All members voted “yea”

COMMUNICATIONS:

Flock Safety has contacted the township about installing a camera for a license plate reader on Grays Lane at approximately 1077 Grays Lane. Mr. Gilpin reported speaking with the NR police chief who said it may be installed closer to Robin Hill but still in the Grays Lane right of way. Mr. Vogelsang expressed mixed feelings about allowing the camera to be installed in the township. Mr. Wolf supported the idea. Emily Supinger noted that the camera would serve all local jurisdictions, not just NRPD.

Mr. Wolf made a motion to allow Flock Safety to install a camera on Grays Lane, seconded by Mr. Gilpin. Mr. Wolf and Mr. Gilpin voted “yea”. Mr. Vogelsang voted “nay”. Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Road Mileage Certification: Bill Gilpin noted that the annual certification of township road mileage has been received by the county engineer with no changes, which needs to be approved and forwarded to the state.

Mr. Gilpin made a motion to accept the annual road mileage certification, seconded by Mr. Wolf. All members voted “yea”

Stormwater Fees: Bill Gilpin reported receiving the annual storm water invoice from the county and asked for a motion to approve payment of the invoice.

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Mr. Wolf made a motion to pay the annual storm water invoice in the amount of \$848.04, seconded by Mr. Gilpin. All members voted “yea”

2025 Annual Financial Report: Bill Gilpin reported that the 2025 annual financial report has been completed and uploaded to the state auditor; the required legal notice has been posted on the township website.

Cyber Security Policy: Bill Gilpin reported meeting with a proposed vender “Argus” at the OTA conference in Columbus that can assist the township with implementing the upcoming required cybersecurity policy and asked for authorization to obtain a quote for their services.

Mr. Wolf made a motion to authorize Bill Gilpin to obtain a quote from Argus for cybersecurity services. Seconded by Mr. Gilpin. All members voted “yea”

Old printers donation to NR Village: Bill Gilpin noted that the township has 2 obsolete b/w printers in the storage room that the Village of New Richmond has expressed interest in using for their needs; asked for the adoption of the required resolution to enable the donation of the printers to the village.

Mr. Wolf made a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-30 Authorizing the donation of two un-needed printers to the Village of New Richmond. Seconded by Mr. Gilpin. All members voted “yea”

Mr. Wolf reported attending the OTA conference last week and learning a lot, especially about the real estate tax reform/elimination issue.

Mr. Gilpin gave a report on the hall reservations with the newly implemented rental fee. There have been 19 reservations so far with only 1 complaint. There was discussion on accepting credit cards for payment. Emily Supinger suggested selecting a vendor and then a contract can be signed for services. Also looking at possibly installing a door code system to eliminate the need for key pickup.

Mr. Gilpin reported that he will be out of town on the regular March 9 meeting date due to a vacation scheduled prior to the election and asked if the meeting could be rescheduled.

Mr. Wolf made a motion to reschedule the March 9, 2026 meeting to March 16, 2026 at 6:30pm, seconded by Mr. Gilpin. All members voted “yea”

Fund balances were discussed.

The following were read and approved with warrants written for same: (payment summary on following page).

Mr. Gilpin made a motion to adjourn at 7:50pm, seconded by Mr. Wolf. All members voted “yea”