

Minutes for Troy Township Trustees Regular Meeting 12/08/2025

Call to Order

Trustee Vice Chairman Schuster called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

The following Trustees were present: Vice Chairman Mike Schuster and Trustee Luke Wittmer

The following Trustees were absent: Chairman Tom McCready

Other officials present: Road Superintendent/Zoning Inspector Matt Thayer, Fiscal Officer Sarah Wilkinson, Assistant Fiscal Officer Betsy Michalski, Fire Chief Rich Compton, and Assistant Fire Chief Brad Ross.

Residents and Other Guests

- Keith Bacin, Village of Lexington Councilman
- Josh Grund, Resident
- Shaun Walker, Zoning Board Member and Resident

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to accept the minutes from the last regular meeting held on 11/24/2025. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Public Comments

Keith Bacin informed the board that the swearing-in ceremony for newly elected trustees will take place at the Lexington Village Depot at 7:00 p.m. on December 18th.

Shaun Walker submitted his resignation from the Zoning Board, effective today.

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to accept Shaun Walker's resignation from the Zoning Board, effective 12/08/2025. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to appoint Josh Grund to the Zoning Board, effective 12/08/2025. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Zoning Report from Mr. Thayer, Zoning Inspector

Received one Agricultural Enterprise Declaration form from Dustin Ewing, for a pole barn at 3400 Grubb Road.

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to accept the zoning report as presented. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Road Report from Mr. Thayer, Road Superintendent

The road crew completed the following tasks since last meeting:

- Dug a grave on November 26
- Helped Mr. Wittmer pull a grave box and fill in a grave
- Cleaned up a tree on Mill Run Road
- Helped Perry Township repair a collapsed cross pipe

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- Plowed and salted roads, township garage parking area, and the fire department drive/parking area on December 2
- Cleaned up trash on Bowers Road
- Cleaned out the F-250
- Salted roads on December 4

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to accept the road report as presented. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Fire/EMS Report from Chief Compton

Chief Compton provided a copy of the following monthly fire and EMS report to the meeting attendees:

Troy Twp Fire and EMS Runs										
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
JANUARY	88	115	100	124	108	129	116	127	119	119
FEBRUARY	171	193	207	244	217	225	226	211	215	222
MARCH	251	296	287	350	316	359	374	326	306	332
APRIL	366	377	385	443	405	469	433	424	433	452
MAY	450	460	498	547	500	571	534	538	528	566
JUNE	530	560	609	657	640	671	669	652	634	656
JULY	611	647	724	761	732	785	796	766	725	762
AUGUST	725	750	833	868	861	918	912	873	817	853
SEPTEMBER	814	851	933	980	962	1020	1002	976	942	953
OCTOBER	900	937	1023	1096	1081	1136	1121	1064	1047	1035
NOVEMBER	990	1042	1108	1179	1207	1239	1245	1172	1153	1140
DECEMBER	1085	1145	1214	1293	1344	1368	1355	1288	1260	

Chief Compton also shared the following updates:

- The Fire Department received a new employment application for firefighter/EMT Brenden Ganshorn.

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to hire Brenden Ganshorn as a new part-time firefighter/EMT at a rate of \$19 per hour, effective 12/08/2025. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Correspondence

- Rumpke sent a new customer service agreement for Fiscal Officer signature. The agreement is for monthly Township Garage waste removal at a rate of \$55.34 per month, plus a monthly fuel surcharge at an unstated dollar amount. The contract terms are the same as last year's terms; however, the board noted the fuel surcharge has been increasing over time. The board will research prices charged by

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other service providers, and the Trustees will then make a decision on whether to sign the new agreement from Rumpke.

- The Township received the December 2025 issue of Ohio Cooperative Living Magazine. The magazine was placed in the old meeting room.

Finances

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to pay bills. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

- Purchase Orders: Reviewed and approved
- Payment of Bills: Reviewed and approved
- Payroll Vouchers: Reviewed and approved
- Bank Reconciliation: Reviewed and approved

Mrs. Wilkinson, Fiscal Officer and Ms. Michalski, Assistant Fiscal Officer

- Presented RESOLUTION NO. 25-18: A RESOLUTION TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF TROY TOWNSHIP, RICHLAND COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026.

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to accept RESOLUTION NO. 25-18: A RESOLUTION TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF TROY TOWNSHIP, RICHLAND COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

At 7:33 p.m., Mr. Schuster made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Wittmer seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

At 7:49 p.m., Mr. Wittmer made a motion to end the Executive Session. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Chief Compton noted that Troy Township Fire Department costs under the 2026 Contract for Emergency Protection with Perry Township are projected to be \$65,000 in 2026, up from \$62,500 in 2025. This change is due to increased costs for Troy Township runs and personnel. Mrs. Wilkinson will draft the new contract and present it to the Trustees for approval during the next meeting.

Mr. Schuster:

- No new business.

Mr. Wittmer:

- No new business

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

Motion to Adjourn:

Having no further business to discuss, Mr. Schuster made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wittmer seconded the motion, and the motion carried with all ayes, ending the meeting at 7:52 pm.

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Respectfully submitted: Sarah Wilkinson, Troy Township Fiscal Officer

Trustee Vice Chairman: Mr. Michael Schuster

Fiscal Officer: Mrs. Sarah Wilkinson