

# Minutes for Troy Township Trustees Regular Meeting 05/11/2026

## Call to Order

Troy Township Trustee Chairman Mr. Schuster called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Roll Call

- Mr. Mike Schuster, Troy Township Trustee Chairman: Present
- Mr. Luke Wittmer, Troy Township Trustee Vice Chairman: Present
- Mr. Shaun Walker, Troy Township Trustee: Present
- Mrs. Sarah Wilkinson, Troy Township Fiscal Officer: Present
- Ms. Betsy Michalski, Troy Township Assistant Fiscal Officer: Present
- Mr. Rich Compton, Troy Township Fire Chief: Present
- Mr. Brad Ross, Troy Township Assistant Fire Chief: Absent
- Mr. Matt Thayer, Troy Township Zoning Inspector and Road Superintendent: Present

## Residents and Other Guests

- Jarred Zeigler, Resident and Zoning Board candidate

Mr. Walker introduced Jarred Zeigler to the Board as a candidate for the Township's Zoning Board. Mr. Wittmer made a motion to appoint Jarred Zeigler to the Zoning Board, effective immediately. Vote:

- Mr. Schuster: Yea
- Mr. Wittmer: Yea
- Mr. Walker: Yea

**Roll Call: Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 0; Motion carried.**

## Adoption/Amendment of Agenda

Mr. Walker made a motion to adopt the meeting agenda, which was distributed prior to this meeting. Vote:

- Mr. Schuster: Yea
- Mr. Wittmer: Yea
- Mr. Walker: Yea

**Roll Call: Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 0; Motion carried.**

## Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the regular Trustee meeting held on April 27, 2026, distributed prior to this meeting, were adopted by unanimous consent.

## Zoning Report

Mr. Thayer emailed his Zoning Report to the Board prior to the meeting, and the report was filed for record.

## Road Report

Mr. Thayer emailed his Road Report to the Board prior to the meeting, and the report was filed for record.

Mr. Thayer also discussed the following items:

- Need to install pipe at the end of Mill Run near Kochheiser Road to solve water flow/drainage issues in that area. Trustees agreed that pipe installation will be beneficial. The Board also discussed the need for ditching in the area to prevent log jams.
- Springfield Township will chip seal Sheirer Road this summer. Mr. Thayer would like the Board's approval to reimburse Springfield for the small portion of Sheirer Road that is in Troy Township.

Mr. Walker made a motion to approve reimbursing Springfield Township for the Sheirer Road chip seal work.

Vote:

- Mr. Schuster: Yea
- Mr. Wittmer: Yea
- Mr. Walker: Yea

**Roll Call: Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 0; Motion carried.**

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## Fire/EMS Report

- Chief Compton provided the Board with the following information:
  - Run report through April 2026, which was filed for record.
  - The Fire Department participated in Fire Safety Day on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at Central Elementary School. There were around 560 children from grades K through 3 in attendance.
  - VASU invoiced for their work transferring radios from the old squad to the new one. This bill will be paid from the remaining MARCS grant funds.

## Correspondence

- Mrs. Wilkinson shared the following correspondence items:
  - Email from Joe Dembeck with GovDeals noting that now is an opportune time to sell vehicles on the platform. Chief Compton is preparing the old squad to be listed for sale. It is estimated the Township will receive between \$30,000 and \$40,000 at sale.
  - Luke Donahue from the Richland County Parks District will meet Mrs. Wilkinson at the Township garage on May 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss the best way to prevent invasive house sparrows from nesting in the car port on the back of the garage. Invasive sparrows are a threat to other native birds, including purple martins, which nest in bird boxes along the B&O Trail behind the Township garage.

## Finances

- Purchase Orders: Reviewed and approved
- Bill Payments: Reviewed and approved
- Payroll Vouchers: Reviewed and approved
- Bank Reconciliation: Reviewed and approved

## Motion to Pay Bills

Mr. Wittmer made a motion to pay bills. Vote:

- Mr. Schuster: Yea
- Mr. Wittmer: Yea
- Mr. Walker: Yea

**Roll Call: Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 0; Motion carried.**

## Discussion of Financial Matters

- Mrs. Wilkinson discussed the need for an addendum to the 2026 Chip Seal Project Troy Township Road Bid Package because the original package did not include a bid form with quantities. Mrs. Wilkinson will contact the County Prosecutor's office for advice.
- The Township is now set up to do business with R&D Excavating in the future.

## New Business

- Mr. Schuster discussed the service frequency of the trash dumpster, which is currently overflowing. The Board agreed the service frequency should be changed to twice per month or the Township should get a bigger dumpster, whichever is most economical. Mrs. Wilkinson will look into this matter.
- Mr. Schuster discussed the new 2026-2027 Richland County Salt Questionnaire, which is due on May 22. The Board agreed to add 100 tons of salt to the 1,000 tons we estimated last year, to account for an additional 100 tons which will be purchased on behalf of Lexington Local Schools under the Township contract. The school will reimburse the Township for the cost, as was done this past winter.
- The Board discussed participation in the Memorial Day parade. The fire department will be part of the parade, and Mr. Walker plans to drive the Township's Ford F550 in the procession.

## Old Business

- Mr. Thayer noted the build date for the road and bridge department's new truck is June 1.

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## Motion to Adjourn

Having no further business to discuss, Mr. Wittmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vote:

- Mr. Schuster: Yea
- Mr. Wittmer: Yea
- Mr. Walker: Yea

**Roll Call: Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 0; Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

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Troy Township Trustee Chairman, Mr. Mike Schuster

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Troy Township Fiscal Officer, Mrs. Sarah Wilkinson