

**SHAWNEE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
April 27, 2026**

On April 27, 2026, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees met at the Shawnee Township, 2530 Fort Amanda Road, Lima, Ohio, for a Regular Meeting of the Board.

Chairman Neff called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The roll call indicated the following present: Trustee Neff, Trustee Recker, Trustee Gross, Police Chief Kohli, Fire Chief Austin Miller, Howard Gray, Kevin Cooley, Teresa Pulfer, Lesa Wende, Valerie Lester, and Clay Balyeat were in attendance.

- Trustee Recker made a motion to amend the agenda to remove Resolution 69-26 as it was previously passed. Trustee Gross seconded the motion, and the motion passed 3-0.
- Trustee Recker made a motion to accept the agenda as newly presented. Trustee Gross seconded the motion, and the motion passed 3-0.
- Trustee Gross motioned to accept the April 13, 2026, Regular meeting minutes. Trustee Recker seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

REPORT OF THE FISCAL OFFICER:

- Discussion regarding the records request from Mr. Thompson, in which Kevin discovered that there is no resolution in 2023 for the purchase of an ambulance. Kevin and the Trustees are working on correcting the situation with the Prosecutor's office.

REPORT OF THE LAW DIRECTOR:

- Clay advised on Records Request and how Kevin can legally reduce or narrow the scope of the requests.

PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR:

- **Stacey Brenneman:** Spoke on transparency and requested 2 readings of each resolution. She believes that outcomes are decided prior to meetings. She presented a proposed resolution to regulate the trustees and meeting business. Mr. Neff stated that the Township has already implemented some of the items.
- **Jim Thompson:** Spoke on the lack of resolution in 2023 for the medic mentioned in Fiscal Officer, Kevin Cooley's discussion. Mr. Thompson spoke on the prior 4.5 levy and spending, as he believes it has been used as a "blank check". Mr. Thompson believes that the 1.5 levy should be allowed to expire to give the township time to reset the Fire Department's finances. Mr. Thompson does not believe there is a need for an additional medic. The Trustees stated that they are working on plans for the future. They discussed the need to go to the public for a bond issue. Mr. Thompson stated that is why the dropping of the 1.5 mil levy would give relief to the taxpayers while plans and finances are being reviewed.

RESOLUTION 70-26

MOU - Todd Gardner

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees accepts the Memorandum of Understanding with Firefighter Todd Gardner for medical expenses for a denied Worker's Compensation Claim as attached hereto.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0

Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 71-26

Authorization for Chip and Seal Road Work

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes Ward Construction Co. to complete chip and seal work within Shawnee Township at a cost not to exceed \$64,387.73 in accordance with the attached document.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0

Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 72-26
Authorization for Road Patch Repair

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes Premier Patching, Inc. to complete road patch repair within Shawnee Township at a cost not to exceed \$8,140.00 in accordance with the attached document.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0
Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 73-26
Authorization for Road Crack Patching

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes Scodeller Construction to complete roadway crack patching within Shawnee Township at a cost not to exceed \$43,150.00 in accordance with the attached document.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0
Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 74-26
Authorization for Roadway Reclaimite Clear Coat

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes Pavement Technology, Inc. to complete roadway Reclaimite clear coating within Shawnee Township at a cost not to exceed \$39,222.50 in accordance with the attached document.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0
Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 75-26
Appointment of Zoning Commission Member

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees appoints Dylan Wood to the Shawnee Township Zoning Commission for the term of April 27, 2026, through January 1, 2030.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0
Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 76-26
Appointment of Zoning Commission Alternate Member

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees appoints Michael Eilerman as an alternate to the Shawnee Township Zoning Commission for the term of April 27, 2026, through January 1, 2031.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0
Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 77-26
Appointment of Zoning Commission Alternate Member

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees appoints Michael Gee as an alternate to the Shawnee Township Zoning Commission for the term of April 27, 2026, through January 1, 2031.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0
Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

RESOLUTION 78-26
Authorization to Purchase Dispatch Recorder

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes the purchase of an Interaction Insight Eventide Recorder for use by the Shawnee Township Dispatch Center at a cost of \$15,338.00, including the first year’s subscription fee. Years 2 through 4 subscription and maintenance fees will be at a cost of \$2,968.00 annually.

Trustee Gross motioned for approval, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0
Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

DEPARTMENTS:

Fire

- 1. FDIC Conference

Police

- 1. Replacement of Recorder
- 2. OACP conference- taking the day-shift Sergeant
- 3. Awards banquet – Hart Hall, May 14th

Roads

- 1. Drainage Issues

Dispatch

- 1. Nothing to report
- 2. Tar spill cost recovery complete – sand reimbursement

Zoning

- 1. Nothing to report

Cemetery

- 1. Road Department helping with mowing
- 2. Waiting on paperwork to hire Keaton Lehman
- 3. Wreaths across America
- 4. Memorial Fundraiser

Trustee Gross motioned for approval of all the reports as presented, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0

TO PAY THE BILLS:

Trustee Gross made a motion to pay the bills, and Trustee Recker seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Roll Call: Mr. Gross, Yes Mr. Recker, Yes Mr. Neff, Yes

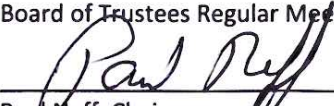
COMMUNICATIONS:

- Clean up day – May 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

With no further business to be brought before the Board of Trustees, Trustee Gross motioned for adjournment, Trustee Recker seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held April 27, 2026



Paul Neff, Chairman



Kenny Gross, Vice Chairperson



Joe Recker, Trustee at Large