SHAWNEE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
September 28, 2026

On September 28, 2026, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees met at Shawnee Township, 2530 Fort Amanda Road, Lima, Ohio, for a Regular Meeting of the Board.

Chairman Neff called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The roll call indicated the following present: Trustee Neff, Trustee Gross, Trustee Recker, Chief Kohli, Clay Balyeat, and Mike Hastenstaub were in attendance. Teresa Pulfer, Kevin Cooley, Valerie Lester, Chief Miller, and Howard Gray were absent.

- Trustee Gross made a motion to accept the September 14, 2026, Regular meeting minutes. Trustee Recker seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

REPORT OF THE FISCAL OFFICER:

- Nothing to report

REPORT OF THE LAW DIRECTOR:

- Nothing to report
- Hearing date to be determined

DEPARTMENTS:

Fire

1. Report Submitted- BC Hasenstaub
2. New hires are progressing
3. Thanks to the department for participating with Springview Manor resident
4. Mutual Aid responses are up
5. Hydrant checks
6. Schools and Training update
7. Active shooter training
8. Maintenance of ladder truck

Police

1. Report Submitted
2. New cruiser purchase
3. Body cam grant and other grant info
4. First Responder's Week
5. Thought and prayer for Dispatcher Kennedy

Dispatch

1. Nothing to report

Roads

1. Report Submitted
2. Street signs
3. Ditch mowing
4. Drainage and catch basin work
5. Working with county on clearing lines
6. Tree trimming
7. Jay Begg Pkwy dedication
8. Camera in brush area not completed
9. Discussion on Christmas Tree for Roundabout storage and installation

Zoning

1. Report Submitted
2. Abatements

Cemetery

1. Water discussion

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:

- Trick or Treat – Thursday, October 29th from 6-8

TRUSTEE BUSINESS:
Trustee Gross motioned to amend the agenda to remove Resolution 146-26 and add Resolution 147-26 (Light up Lima Tree Installation). Trustee Recker seconded the motion, and all voted yes. Motion passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION 141-26
Authorization to Hire Full-time Police Officer

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes the hiring of Cole Haunhorst as a full-time Police Officer effective October 5, 2026, contingent upon the passage of all required testing; and

FURTHER, wages and benefits shall be in accordance with the Labor Agreement between the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees and the FOP.

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 142-26
Authorization to Purchase Police Cruiser

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes the purchase of a 2026 Police Interceptor AWD Police Vehicle from Reineke Family Dealerships, Lima, Ohio, at a cost not to exceed $44,438.00, 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 143-26
FML - Dray

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes full-time firefighter Lyle Dray to begin Family Medical Leave on August 28, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act of 1993.

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 144-26
MOU – Paramedic Pay Scale

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees accepts the Memorandum of Understanding between the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees and I.A.F.F. 2550, setting the Paramedic Pay Scale 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 145-26
Acceptance of Landscape Quote

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees accepts the quote for landscape work at the Police and Administration Building as presented by Spieles Nursery, at a cost not to exceed $5950.00.

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 146-26 REMOVED

RESOLUTION 147-26
Acceptance of Tree Installation Quote

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees accepts the quote for the installation of the Christmas Tree in the Roundabout as presented by Light up Lima, at a cost not to exceed $11,000.00.

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

Adjournment

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

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held September 28, 2026

Paul Neff, Chairman

Kenny Gross, Vice Chairperson

Joe Recker, Trustee at Large

Minutes prepared by Missy Van Meter, Administrative Assistant, Shawnee Township.