SHAWNEE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
August 10, 2026

On August 10, 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 6:30 p.m.

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

- Trustee Gross made a motion to accept the July 27, 2026, Regular meeting minutes. Trustee Recker seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

REPORT OF THE FISCAL OFFICER:

- One-year audit underway

REPORT OF THE LAW DIRECTOR:

- Zoning

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

- Neal Leffel – Discussed the problems with Bright Speed's installation of fiber optics, utility rights-of-way, and the lack of communication with landowners.

TRUSTEE BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 122-26
Fee Schedule

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees accepts the Fee Schedule 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 123-26
Resignation of Firefighter Kyle Froning

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees accepts the resignation of Kyle Froning effective August 14, 2026.

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 124-26
Supplemental Appropriations

BE IT RESOLVED that the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees approves amending permanent appropriations as follows:

Supplemental:

1000-760-720-0000 Building – General Fund Supplemental $ 70000.00

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 125-26
In the matter of designating a private citizen to investigate and prepare any necessary charges in accordance with 505.38 and other applicable sections of the Ohio Revised Code.

WHEREAS, the Shawnee Township Trustees designate Fred Lord, HR Consultant from Clemans Nelson & Associates, Inc., to investigate the conduct of an employee of the Shawnee Township Fire Department, Chief Austin Miller, under R.C. 505.38 and prepare any necessary charges in conformity with Ohio Revised Code §733.35-733.39; and be it,

RESOLVED, that this Board hereby approves this designation.

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 126-26
Life Insurance Increase

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees increases the Life Insurance amount for the employees of Shawnee Township to $50,000.00 through Standard Life.

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 127-26
Authorization to Contract Concrete Work for Curbs

BE IT RESOLVED, the Shawnee Township Board of Trustees authorizes Lyles Excavating, 2962 Monfort Rd, Spencerville, Ohio, to complete a roadwork project for Shawnee Township as follows and attached hereto:

- Tear out and pour 7 sections of curb at 25 ft. long in the Westshore neighborhood area as determined by the Shawnee Township Road Department, at a total cost of $10,500.00.

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

DEPARTMENTS:

Fire
1. Report Submitted- BC Hasenstaub
2. Lexipol – Work in progress
3. 3 Interviews
4. National Night Out participation

Trustee Neff thanked Police and Dispatch for NNO

Police
1. Report Submitted
2. NNO was a good event
3. Felony arrest
4. Traffic stops are back up
5. Training: 213 hours

Dispatch
1. NNO successful
2. Report Submitted

Roads
1. Report Submitted
2. Signs being replaced - grant

Zoning
1. Report Submitted
2. Inaudible

Cemetery
1. Report Submitted
2. Water district meeting- Variance for Fees
3. Accepting donation – memorial
4. Wreaths Across America

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:

- Miller – court filings against the Township
- Press release distributed regarding the Miller case

Trustee Gross motioned to recess the regular meeting to go into executive session for the purpose of considering the discipline of a public employee, and to confer with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. The Trustees and Attorney Balyeat will attend executive session, and no business will be conducted upon the Board's return. 7:11 p.m.

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

Motion passed 3-0.

7:48 p.m. Trustee Gross made a motion to reconvene the Regular meeting of the Board. Trustee Recker seconded the motion.

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

Motion passed 3-0.

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 August 10, 2026

Paul Neff, Chairman

Kenny Gross, Vice Chairperson

Joe Recker, Trustee at Large

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