

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held

January 5, 2026 20

The Board of Trustees met in Regular session with the following members present:

- Mr. Paul L. Gleisinger
- Mr. Brad Orewiler
- Ms. Anita L. Kochheiser
- FO Amanda Hike
- Chief Adam Spellman

The meeting was called to order at 6:00p.m. by Trustee Gleisinger. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion #1-2026: Trustee Kochheiser moved to approve the regular meeting minutes for December 22, 2025 regular meeting except for a correction to motion #201-2025 which should have stated "Zoning Inspector Steve Arnett will receive a \$25.00 per month increase, seconded by Trustee Gleisinger, motion carried.

Motion #2-2026: Trustee Gleisinger moved to approve the December 31st Organizational Meeting Minutes except for a correction to Motion #210-2025 which should have stated "Sam Kleilein's 2026 hourly wage will be \$30.26 an hour, seconded by Trustee Kochheiser, motion carried.

The following bills were presented for payment:

1-2026	Charles Kleilein	\$3,011.35
2-2026	Samuel Kleilein	\$1,928.89
4-2026	Amanda Hike	\$437.36
6-2026	Harvey Bachmann	\$70.49
7-2026	Jacob Bartram	\$332.10
8-2026	Laverne Bickers	\$186.35
9-2026	Joshua Bradley	\$1,191.40
10-2026	Justin Brant	\$1,784.20
11-2026	Luke Bruce	\$2,101.03
12-2026	Cody Burden	\$1,668.18
13-2026	Michael Carey	\$1,764.63
14-2026	Roger Chambers	\$338.73
15-2026	Priscilla Dipadova	\$886.85
16-2026	Addison Fonner	\$988.13
17-2026	Kyle Foust	\$81.97
18-2026	Dennis Gast	\$1,822.34
19-2026	Scott Gerber	\$402.49
20-2026	Dustin Gray	\$207.51
21-2026	John Gray	\$1,807.80
22-2026	Kirstin Gray	\$1,441.11
23-2026	Gabriel Ivy	\$501.85
24-2026	Tanner Keinath	\$651.82
25-2026	Christopher Kohler	\$1,555.23
26-2026	Ellen Meredith	\$1,597.14
27-2026	Richard Metzger	\$1,886.74
28-2026	Reece Miller	\$1,610.37
29-2026	Lucas Morton	\$1,056.96
30-2026	Christopher Ott	\$1,839.72
31-2026	Benjamin Ricker	\$2,129.25
32-2026	Brian Rogers	\$16.23
33-2026	Noah Sgambellone	\$65.57
34-2026	Anthony Shelton	\$1,992.40
35-2026	Colton Shelton	\$1,052.85
36-2026	Jonathan Smith	\$1,870.42
37-2026	Adam Spellman	\$2,281.62
38-2026	Jarrod Strouth	\$1,667.09

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39-2026	Ryan Swank	\$1,102.45
40-2026	Michael Thomas	\$7.70
41-2026	Angelo Tino	\$1,776.53
42-2026	Michael Volz	\$1,787.26
43-2026	Michael Wilson	\$2,283.27
44-2026	Brody Worner	\$1,721.81
46-2026	Internal Revenue Service	\$10,093.11
47-2026	Prudential Retirement	\$2,331.00
48-2026	Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund	\$40,718.53
49-2026	Ohio Public Employees Retirement System	\$5,498.94
45409	Park National Bank H.S.A. Account	\$527.17
45410	Cole Distributing, Inc.	\$458.73
45411	Cargill, Inc.	\$19,369.12
45412	All American Fire Equipment, Inc.	\$7,344.23
45413	Magic Garage Door, Inc.	\$30.00
45414	Knox Technical Center	\$1,470.00
45415	Bound Tree Medical, LLC	\$503.90
45416	Ontario Truck Center	\$1,746.77
45417	Home Depot Credit Services	\$189.76
45418	Richland County Building Department	\$316.73
45419	Verizon Wireless	\$200.55
45420	Xerox Financial Services	\$72.46
45421	Net2 Services	\$1,352.00
45422	Versatile VOIP	\$443.90
45423	O.E. Meyer Co.	\$26.97
45424	MidOhio I.T. C/O Charles Wilson	\$365.00
45425	Park National Bank	\$114,000.00
45426	Anita Kochheiser	\$38.68

Total Payments: \$260,180.31

Motion #3-2026: Trustee Kochheiser made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Trustee Orewiler motion carried.

I hereby certify that there are sufficient funds on deposit in the Springfield Township Treasury to pay the bills listed.


Amanda Hike, Fiscal Officer

Present: Craig Hunt, AC Shelton, Rick Pauley, and Cheryl.

Chief Spellman presented the Board with the December Monthly Report for the Fire Department.

Chief Spellman requested the Board to reimburse Paramedic School tuition for Angelo Tino. The total reimbursement would total \$6,600 and in order to be reimbursed FF Tino would have to stay with the Springfield Township Fire Department for a minimum of 3 years. FF Tino started at the end of August and will be finished in July.

Motion #4-2026: Trustee Kochheiser made a motion to enter into an agreement to pay the \$6,600.00 Paramedic School Tuition for Angelo Tino and in the event, he leaves before completion of three years with the Springfield Township Fire Department he would be responsible to pay some if not all of the tuition back to Springfield Township, seconded by Trustee Orewiler, motion carried.

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Chief Spellman updated the Board on the E22 truck that was damaged in an accident. The truck was loaded and taken to the dealership today for repairs. Everything was stripped on the truck and

water pump drained. Also, Chief Spellman informed the Board that \$150.00 a day would be the cost to rent a fire truck.

Trustee Gleisinger updated the Board on the Road Department. They have been salting roads and had an incident with a tree coming down on Home Rd. Trustee Orewiler commented on the wing that was built for the plow. The wing for the plow was built with no blue prints and it is marvelous. It's all quick connect and can be controlled very well. Now to install the plow a button is pressed and then you drive in and hook up hydraulic hoses and you're done whereas before this would have been a 7 hour or more process.

Trustee Gleisinger informed the Board that the website is now changed over from the old platform to the new platform. He suggested to go to the website and look around in case any changes need to be made because the Township needs to have something in place before Adam Gongwer shuts his platform down.

Trustee Gleisinger informed the Board that he will take the check he received at the meeting for the Building Department to them and once they receive the check the Township will get the plans and can move forward on the generator at station #2 with Mark Danals. Mark Danals will get with the engineer to see if there is anything missing.

Trustee Orewiler updated the Board on the Safety Council Meeting Payment. In the past the Township would pay for a meeting every time one was attended. He suggested the Township pay in 6-month increments, and it would go into a kitty, and they could deduct from the amount each time someone attends. Trustee Kochheiser asked what if he were to not attend a meeting? Trustee Orewiler believed it to be his responsibility to find someone to go in his place. Trustee Gleisinger asked if the Township has received a discount yet? Trustee Orewiler responded "no" and he will bring the topic up at the next meeting. Trustee Gleisinger added that if the discount is not worth going then he doesn't see why the Township is attending the meetings. Board approved payment 6 months in advance.

Trustee Orewiler asked the Board if he misunderstood the Generac Project because he thought he was supposed to be the contact person. Trustee Kochheiser informed Trustee Orewiler that Trustee Gleisinger at the last meeting stated he would handle the project.

Trustee Orewiler updated the Board that the last two years he has been requesting to go to 4 mows a year instead of three. He would like to have the first mowing around Memorial Day, the second around July 4, the third around Labor Day, and the last mowing at the first frost of the year. Trustee Gleisinger is okay with doing four mows and suggested Trustee Orewiler inform the Road Department of the dates and bring them back to the next meeting when the Board is expecting it.

Trustee Orewiler received a letter and asked Chief Spellman about the security cameras for Station #1 and if a password is required for them. Chief Spellman responded "yes". A person has to log in to see the footage.

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Trustee Orewiler had been reviewing the Meeting Minutes from 2016 and 2017, and he encouraged Chief Spellman to review them for organizational reasons. Chief Spellman will review the minutes and thanked Trustee Orewiler.

Trustee Orewiler presented the Board with Meeting Minutes from 2017 involving the BWC Drug free policy and the discounts offered. Trustee Kochheiser informed Trustee Orewiler that if you Google BWC programs they will show you the current discounts for the programs and programs have changed since 2017. She requested Trustee Orewiler look on the BWC website for current programs and discounts and bring back to the next meeting.

Trustee Orewiler requested some kind of communication to Troy Township about the amount of runs Springfield Township provides for them. Chief Spellman informed Trustee Orewiler that the runs for Troy Township are the highest, but the Township is not getting used and abused for the mutual aid. Trustee Kochheiser requested to see the numbers and bring back to next meeting before she acts on it. Spellman added that when the Fire Department is called Troy Township is already out on a run and they can't handle the call volume just like our department can't handle our runs when requesting mutual aid. This is what mutual aid is all about. Trustee Orewiler informed the Board that Springfield Township has levies to have a full-time Fire Department and Troy Township does not have levies in place and they have a part-time Fire Department. Trustee Orewiler added that Springfield Township residents pay to have a Fire Department available. Chief Spellman also added Springfield Township does not get called as much as other departments get called to help Troy Township. Washington Township provides a lot of mutual aid to Troy Township and Troy Township knows Springfield Township is busy. Trustee Gleisinger suggested that any runs outside of Springfield should be hard billed. No action was taken at this time.

Trustee Kochheiser informed the Board that the township has a travel policy in place that was written in 2017 and last revised in 2021 and with the current rates when traveling, most of the time, a person can't find a place to eat. Trustee Kochheiser is requesting to increase the rates on the Travel Policy. Cleveland and Columbus have a meal rate of \$80, Knox County is \$65, Cincinnati is \$86. Trustee Kochheiser is suggesting that the rates be increased to \$15 for breakfast, \$20 for lunch, \$30 for dinner as maximum amounts. Trustee Gleisinger believes that \$25 for dinner is good for one person.

Motion #5-2026: Trustee Kochheiser made a motion to update the meal plan on the Travel Policy to be \$15.00 for breakfast, \$20.00 for lunch, and \$25.00 for dinner as maximum amounts, seconded by Trustee Gleisinger, motion carried.

Trustee Kochheiser updated the Board on the Springfield Township rental agreement for the hall. The Township allows residents to rent the hall for free with a \$50.00 deposit for incidentals. FF Strouth came in to clean the hall for the Organizational Meeting and there was a bunch of trash. Trustee Kochheiser is volunteering to inspect the hall after residents leave and make sure they are picking up their trash and nothing is broken or they will lose their deposit. She does not believe that the FF should be picking up the renter's trash. Board approved. Trustee Gleisinger asked if Chief Spellman could find out from Gracie if the Township has been collecting the \$50.00 deposit?

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Trustee Kochheiser discussed the legal counsel approved at the Organizational Meeting. The Township is to use the County Prosecutor as their Primary Counsel and to retain Renwick, Welsh, and Burton as well as Clemons and Nelson as secondary legal

counsel. She would like to reconsider the need to keep Clemons and Nelson retained for the cost of over \$3,000. Trustee Kochheiser did not have the contract with her but would like to consider cancelling the contract. She also brought up the policy in place where two Board Members have to be in agreement before something is done and it is not up to one individual Board Member to discuss anything with any attorney without another Board Member present. Trustee Orewiler agreed. Trustee Kochheiser will bring issue back to the next meeting.

Trustee Kochheiser discussed with the Board the Schonrose Lighting District. The Schonrose district fund is very low on money and will need money until April when more funds will be received. There was an excess of funds and Trustee Kochheiser being the Fiscal Officer at the time gave the Schonrose District a two-year period of time where they did not have to pay their assessment and she had done the math on the new assessment and everything should have worked out but with the increase in utilities the fund ended up short. The Township will have to pay the 80.00 a month. Board approved paying approx \$80.00 for three months for the Schonrose Lighting District.

When Appropriations were made the Assistant Fiscal Officer who was appointed to Fiscal Officer at the start of the new year did not see the need to have a line item for an assistant as she was not going to hire one. There was a balance for her work that needed to be paid out of 2026 and so the appropriations had to be realigned to allow the Fiscal Officer to pay the Assistant Fiscal Officer for her work.

Resolution #6-2026: Trustee Kochheiser made a resolution to amend appropriations transferring \$1,000.00 from general fund line item 1000-110-599-000 to general fund line item 1000-110-122-000 to allow the Fiscal Officer to pay the Assistant Fiscal Officer, seconded by Trustee Orewiler, motion carried.

Public Comment: Craig Hunt informed the Board that when ~~any~~ ^{Bob} was Trustee the Township had problems with Lexington for mutual aid runs and Springfield Township gave them so many runs and then they would be billed after that. Maybe the Township could go back to that for Troy Township. Trustee Gleisinger believes that Springfield Township should hard bill everyone. Craig Hunt commented on the amount given to breakfast, lunch, and dinner and he would rather see it as \$60.00 a day versus per meal because if I as an employee is not a morning person and I miss breakfast I miss out on that money. Craig Hunt commented on Trustee Orewiler's issue with 4 mows a year. It's great to get the Road crew involved but when it comes down to it you are the Trustees. You're the boss and you should be making the decisions. Trustee Kochheiser reminded Mr. Hunt that 4 mows is what the Trustees agreed on however we were deciding on the days. Craig Hunt brought up the carryover that the Township had and the need for the levies. Trustee Gleisinger explained that the bond issues are coming up this year and without them the money the township has will be the only money and they wouldn't bring anything more in. Right now the township is on the Safer Grant and getting those funds replaced would have to be a replacement levy.

Motion #7-2026: Trustee Gleisinger made a motion to go into executive session at 7:46 pm for the appointment, employment,

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dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of an employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official, licensee or student, unless the employee, official, licensee or student requests a public hearing; seconded by Trustee Kochheiser, motion carried.

Motion #8-2026: Trustee Orewiler made a motion to return to regular session at 8:18 pm, seconded by Trustee Kochheiser, motion carried.

Motion #9-2026: Trustee Kochheiser made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Orewiler, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

APPROVED: Paul Alvinger

ATTESTED: Amanda Clibe