

Troy Township Trustee Meeting
April 29, 2026

SIGN-IN – No one signed in

Trustee Chairperson Brinker called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL with the following Trustees present: Trustee Recker, Trustee Chairperson Brinker

Trustee Chairperson Brinker asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES – Trustee Recker made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes of the April 8, 2026 Troy Township Trustees Meeting and approve the minutes of the April 8, 2026 Troy Township Trustees Meeting with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker.
Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

GUESTS – No guests had any discussion.

REPORTS

Sheriff – No one to report

Zoning – Zoning Inspector Hahn had nothing to present.

Fire – Chief Randy Woodruff presented April credit card statement.

Chief Woodruff presented effective April 9, 2026, Carl Schulte stepped down as Assistant Fire Chief. Mr. Schulte has 30 years with the Fire Department. Carl Schulte will stay on the Fire Department as a volunteer.

Trustee Recker made a motion to accept Carl Schulte's resignation as Assistant Chief as of April 9, 2026 with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker.
Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Chief Woodruff presented a quote from Advantage Equipment in the amount of \$898.00 for two (2) cases of detergent and two (2) cases of sanitizer. Trustee Chairperson Brinker made a motion to approve the quote from Advantage Equipment in the amount of \$898.00 with a second motion by Trustee Recker. Fiscal Officer Abke will provide a purchase order number.
Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Iam Responding is due for renewal (due today, April 29, 2026) but an invoice has not been received. Chief Woodruff has emailed regarding this and there will be no penalty or disruption in service. Fiscal Officer Abke stated invoicing was delayed in 2025.

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Trustee Recker asked Chief Woodruff how FDIC was. Chief Woodruff stated it was great. Chief Woodruff stated an email will be forthcoming with a link to print Certificates from classes attended for all four (4) attendees. Chief Woodruff stated the weather on Friday started as a storm warning and ended as a tornado warning with lots of rain. Trustee Brinker asked if the conference is held at the Lucas Oil Stadium. Chief Woodruff stated sessions/classes are held at the convention center.

EMS –Deputy Chief Appelhans presented the Trustees with a Troy Township Fire & EMS Monthly Report for January, February and March. As of March 31, 2026, 198 total calls, which includes 105 transports. The report also shows the number of Mutual Aid calls received and given and location of each call according to Township. The Trustees thanked Deputy Chief Appelhans for the report.

Roads/Cemetery – Trustee Recker stated he met with John Blecke and Todd Gottschalk on Recker Road with Paul Goodman regarding a tile issue.

Trustee Recker stated the 2026 Road Resurfacing Project documents are not available still. This project was held up for two (2) weeks as someone went on vacation. Once the documents are received, Trustee Recker Mr. Blecke and Mr. Gottschalk will meet with Dustin Brown from Luckey Farmers.

Trustee Recker presented a proposal from Morlock Asphalt for seal coating the Fire/EMS Station back lot in the amount of \$3,325.00. Trustee Brinker asked if the front of the Fire/EMS Station was completed in 2025, the front was done in 2025. Trustee Recker made a motion to approve the proposal for seal coating and crack filing the Fire/EMS Station back lot in the amount of \$3,325.00 with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker. Trustee Chairperson Brinker signed the proposal for Morlock Asphalt.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustee Recker stated the mowing and weeding eating is being done at the cemetery. Trustee Chairperson Brinker stated he called Marty Mang regarding helping with the cemetery upkeep in the months of May and June. Fiscal Officer Abke will check with Legal regarding advertising for the position.

FISCAL OFFICER – Fiscal Officer Abke gave the Trustees the March State Bank Reconciliation to review and sign at the next meeting.

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Fiscal Officer Abke presented RESOLUTION 11-2026 Contract to Furnish Emergency Management Between Wood County, Ohio and the Township of Troy. Troy Township's share is \$0.55 cents per capital based on the new 2020 census figures of 3,088 population for a total amount of \$1,698.40. Trustee Chairperson Brinker made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 11-2026 Contract to Furnish Emergency Management Between Wood County, Ohio and the Township of Troy with a second motion by Trustee Recker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries. RESOLUTION 11-2026 was signed and will be sent to Wood County EMA.

Fiscal Officer Abke presented a new Salary Chart for the pay raises of 2% effective March 29, 2026.

The Maintenance Department received the Ford F-550 from Kalida Truck Equipment. The custom service body and crane with hydraulic post pounder have been installed. The total amount approved on March 26, 2025 was \$78,300.00. The total cost was \$81,800.00. This is a \$3,500.00 increase. Trustee Recker approved the additional cost for the custom service body and crane with hydraulic post pounder in the amount of \$3,500.00 for Kalida Truck Equipment, total of \$81,800.00 with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

The fourth (4th) quarter JEDD payment was received in the amount of \$138,524.12.

The first half Real Estate Taxes were received in the amount of \$640,894.93.

Fiscal Officer Abke reported that the OTARMA Renewal Questionnaire was received. Equipment that was added to the policy were the EMS Lifepak 35, Fire Arm-lock Rescue Devices and Roads 60" rear discharge Z930M ZTrack Mower. Equipment removed was the 2023 John Deere Z930M mower that was traded in. The OTARMA questionnaire asked if the Township allows non-police employees or volunteers to carry weapons.

Fiscal Officer Abke presented that OTARMA is requiring Risk Management Harassment Prevention Training. KLA Consulting will be contacting Troy Township to set a date for training.

Donation to The American Legion towards the Memorial Day Program for 2026. Trustee Recker made a motion to approve a donation in the amount of \$500.00 for 2026 to The American Legion with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

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Fiscal Officer Abke met with David from Perry ProTech to see what could be done to reduce the cost of the copy machines. David stated the previous Fiscal Officer was given a Request for Certificate of Insurance in 2022 and 2023 to be able to remove the "Property Damage Coverage" on the monthly invoice. This will save \$60.36 per month. Fiscal Officer Abke is working on completing the information.

Lake Erie West Regional Council Directory is updating the annual Directory of Public Officials. Are there any changes for Troy Township for 2026 that needs to be done. Brooke Hahn has been added to the Directory. Deputy Chief Kent Appelhans will also be added to the directory.

The Wood County Township Association membership is due. Currently the Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Todd Gottschalk and Brooke Hahn are members. Randy Woodruff and Kent Appelhans will also be added. The cost is \$75.00 for each active member, \$35.00 for each Affiliate and a \$300.00 fee for the website/advertising fee. Approval for the total amount will be at the next meeting.

Fiscal Office Abke met with Deputy Chief Appelhans regarding the EMS budget. During this meeting, discussion regarding the split of the electric and gas invoices for the EMS and Fire portions were had. It is currently split Fire 30%, EMS 70%. The previous Fiscal Officer split is Fire 50%, EMS 50%. Deputy Chief Appelhans is asking for a split of Fire 40%, EMS 60% based on the bay sizes and equipment numbers. Trustee Chairperson Brinker made a motion split the electric and gas invoices to Fire 40%, EMS 60% with a second motion by Trustee Recker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Fiscal Officer Abke called Kayla from the Wood County Prosecutor's Office regarding the Devils Hole Road Property. The Prosecutor's Office is not sure why this property has not been placed on the Foreclosure list as the last payment was in 2022. It will be placed on the Foreclosure list in the fall.

APPROVE & SIGN CHECKS

Trustee Recker made a motion to approve an electronic check payment for April 9, 2026 in the amount of \$12,572.65 with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

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Trustee Chairperson Brinker made a motion to approve and sign checks for April 17, 2026 in the amount of \$40,620.85, ACH 235-2026 to ACH 264-2026, check #63418 to and including check #63425 with a second motion by Trustee Recker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustee Recker made a motion to approve and sign checks for April 29, 2026 in the amount of \$143,909.49, check #63426 to and including check #63470 with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustee Chairperson Brinker made a motion to approve and sign checks for May 1, 2026 in the amount of \$38,006.79, ACH 268-2026 to ACH 296-2026, check #63471 to and including check #63475 with a second motion by Trustee Recker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustees were given Positive Pay Reports, Fund Status Report, Revenue Status Report and Wages and Overtime Detail reports.

OLD BUSINESS – Nothing additional to report

NEW BUSINESS – Fiscal Office Abke presented information regarding the Police Levy. Auditor Matt Oestreich will attend a Trustee meeting in May to discuss options with the Trustees. According to the Auditor's Office, the Police Levy does not qualify for the Homestead reduction.

MEETINGS/EVENTS – Solid Waste Management District – The Annual Township spring clean-up fee waiver will be May 1, 2026 through May 30, 2026

Chris Smalley, from the Wood County Parks District will be asked to attend the May 27, 2026 Trustee meeting to present the Stony Ridge Civic Association with the grant check.

May 27, 2026, Brandon from FalconForge AI will attend Trustee meeting to do a presentation on the threat of AI and AI spoofing.

Wood County Township Association's next meeting is July 16th at 5:30 for a cookout/potluck. Kyle Brooks from OTA will speak.

Wood County Township Association will meet September 17, 2026 at Mt. Zion Church, 7481 Bays Road, Wayne, Ohio. This will be the meeting to meet candidates running for office. More information to come.

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The next regular meeting for May 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. is cancelled. A special meeting for Roads will be scheduled when the documents are received.

The next regular meeting will be May 27, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Fiscal Officer Abke will contact Matt Oestreich and Chris Smalley from Wood County Parks District to reschedule for May 27, 2026.

Troy Township Trustees Public Zoning Hearing will be April 29, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. with Holly from Crossroads attending via zoom at 6:15 p.m.

ITEMS ON HOLD – nothing at this time

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Recker made a motion to enter into executive session for personnel with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker.

Roll Call: Trustee Recker – Yes Trustee Brinker -Yes

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustees entered into executive session at 7:40 p.m.

Trustee Recker asked Deputy Chief Appelhans and Fiscal Officer Abke to enter into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

Trustee Recker made a motion to come out of executive session with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker.

Roll Call: Trustee Recker – Yes Trustee Brinker -Yes

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

The Trustees exited executive session at 8.32 p.m.

John Nissen asked with the threat of no property taxes, how does this effect future development. Trustee Recker stated the Township is trying to have the upper hand on future development and have a plan instead of the developer telling the Township what they are going to do.

John Wagner asked about the green area on the map that was presented earlier by Holly from Crossroads. Trustee Recker and Trustee Brinker discussed the location of the Clustered Residential Conservation Overlay District.

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John Nissen asked the status of the Fire Truck that repair. Fiscal Officer Abke will make a call to Rob from the insurance.

Trustee Recker made a motion to approve Section 7.18 Concealed Carry as written with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

No Firearms in Township buildings or Township vehicles, but may bring their weapon into the Township parking lot and must leave weapon in their vehicle. The employee's weapon must be stored in the vehicle in accordance with the storage provisions of the Concealed Carry statute.

Trustee Chairperson Brinker made a motion to approve Section 7.05 Post Accident Alcohol and Drug Testing Policy as written with a second motion by Trustee Recker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustee Recker made a motion to approve Section 8.04 Grievance Procedure as written with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustee Chairperson Brinker made a motion effectively immediately to change Kent Appelhans' job description from Deputy Chief of EMS to EMS Chief with a second by Trustee Recker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

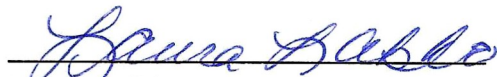
Trustee Recker made a motion to adjourn the April 29, 2026 meeting with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Meeting ended at 8:41 p.m.


Matthew L. Brinker, Chairperson


Kenneth J. Brinker, Trustee


Kelley A. Knitz, Trustee


Laura L. Abke, Fiscal Officer