

Troy Township Trustee Meeting
December 29, 2025

SIGN-IN – Tom Woodruff

Trustee Chairperson Recker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL with the following Trustees present: Trustee Brinker, Trustee Chairperson Recker, Trustee Knitz was not present due to illness

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

MINUTES – Trustee Chairperson Recker made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes of the December 10, 2025 Troy Township Trustee Meeting and approve the minutes of the December 10, 2025 Troy Township Trustee Meeting with a second motion by Trustee Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

GUESTS – No discussion

REPORTS

Sheriff – No Sheriff was present

Zoning – Zoning Inspector Hahn was not present at this time. Trustee Brinker stated Zoning Inspector Hahn will be meeting with Zoning Inspector Kip McDowell from Middleton Township to work on a permit request.

Fire – Chief Randy Woodruff stated 813 runs to date. Last year the total runs were 906.

Chief Woodruff stated service repairs were completed to Rescue 711 at W.W. Williams.

EMS – Deputy Chief Appelhans presented an official notice from full-time EMS paramedic, Daniel MacKay requesting to move down to part-time and to remain on the volunteer roster as he will still be living in the district effective January 4, 2026. Mr. MacKay has found another opportunity to obtain more experience quicker. Trustee Chairperson Recker made a motion to accept the notice from Daniel MacKay to go from full-time to a part-time/volunteer EMS paramedic effective January 4, 2026 with a second motion by Trustee Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Deputy Chief Appelhans asked for an executive session regarding compensation.

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Roads/Cemetery - John Blecke presented two quotes for a 60" rear discharge mower. One quote is from Ag-Pro in the amount of \$12,637.48 with trade in for the John Deere Z930M in the amount of \$8,900.00 for a total amount due of \$3,737.48. The second quote is from Truland Equipment in the amount of \$13,032.48 with trade in for the John Deere Z930M in the amount of \$7,000.00 for a total amount due of \$6,032.48. Funds for this purchase will be made from Cemetery, Machinery Equipment & Furniture (2041-760-740-0000). Trustee Brinker made a motion to accept the bid for from Ag-Pro in the amount of \$3,737.48 to purchase a Z930M ZTrak mower with a second motion by Trustee Recker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries. Signatures were obtained on the Ag-Pro contract and Fiscal Officer Abke will provide a purchase order.

John Blecke also presented quotes for a road mower. The current mower is not holding up with the current jobs that need to be done. Obtained one quote for a Kubota Tractor from Streaker Tractor Sales, Inc., Fremont in the amount of \$93,043.09 and the second quote for a John Deere from Truland, Archbold in the amount of \$89,974.60. A quote for a 75" side mount flail (35,286.00) and a 90" 3-point offset flail mower (\$14,714.00) was obtained from Kalida Truck Equipment, Kalida Ohio in the amount of \$50,000.00. Trustee Brinker asked if a mower would be traded in on this purchase. Mr. Blecke stated the current mower would be used to maintain the area that was recently cleared at the cemetery and a chopper/broom/berm reclaimer could be purchased for the current mower. Fiscal Officer Abke stated the last payment on the boom mower will be made this year. Mr. Blecke stated there are financing options available. The new mower would allow mowing to be done with one pass instead of two passes currently.

Discussion that the M series is a good series.

Trustee Chairperson Recker made a motion to table the purchase of a road mower until next meeting to give the Trustees time to review the quotes with a second motion by Trustee Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Mr. Blecke stated MZT has completed the mowing and cleanup at the cemetery. Bushes were left outside the church side and it was trimmed up the fence side all the way around. Mr. Blecke stated the next step is to complete a layout plan for the cemetery. There is currently a lot of concrete piles and field rock in the area. Leveling will need to be done with the area before moving forward. Cleanup and leveling will be worked on from now through the spring. Discussion was held to obtain a drone ariel view of the land to help with the layout of the new cemetery area.

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Mr. Blecke also stated the sidewalk in front of the cemetery along the road needs to be addressed as residents are complaining. Mr. Blecke will obtain estimates for asphalt and concrete for sidewalk in front of the cemetery. Mr. Blecke has talked to the Village of Luckey and they are checking on the type of material they would request for the sidewalk. Talking with ODOT was discussed. Trustee Recker asked Mr. Blecke to obtain bids, talk with the Village of Luckey and the ODOT for further discussion at the next meeting.

John Blecke presented the vent system for the exhaust that turns on automatically, there is a monitor that is supposed to be tested every two years. John will call to have this testing scheduled and also have the vent system wired to be able to manually turned on. Trustees approved for John Blecke to have the vent system tested and to obtain quotes for the cost of rewiring the vent system to be turned on manually.

John Blecke spoke with Josh Belknap from Wood County Engineers Office to start pricing for the Lemoyne Road resurfacing project for 2026.

John Blecke stated all materials have been obtained for the Devils Hole Road project.

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

Fiscal Officer Abke also gave Chief Woodruff and Deputy Chief Appelhans a list of outstanding payroll checks that need to be cashed as soon as possible. Discussion regarding Direct Deposit was had because it seems to be the same employees that are on this list.

Fiscal Officer Abke presented the Trustees with the Temporary Appropriations for Troy Township from January 1 thru March 31, 2026. Fiscal Officer Abke did speak with most departments regarding expenses above the normal monthly expenses and those amounts have been considered with the appropriation totals. Increases from last year was made also in electricity, natural gas and real estate tax appropriations. The Official Certificate of Estimated Resources is \$3,741,212.93 however the year-end totals will be higher than estimated and could increase the Estimated Resources to closer to \$4 to \$4.2. Trustee Brinker made a motion to approve the Temporary Appropriations for January 1 thru March 31, 2026 with a second motion by Trustee Recker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

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Trustee Brinker made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 17-2025 RESOLUTION FOR 2026 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Recker.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Brinker – Yes Trustee Recker – Yes.

Motion carries. Signatures were obtained for RESOLUTION 17-2025.

Fiscal Officer Abke gave the Trustees a copy of the letter from Isaac Bailey, Wood County Township Association President from Wood County Commissioners' Office regarding the DOT Consortium drug screening. It appears the Townships fell under the Commissioners' agreement in the past with DOT Consortium drug screening and now the County wants the Townships to obtain their own agreement. Fiscal Officer Abke has left a message with the Wood County Consortium that has been used and also obtained information from the Lucas County Mercy Health Occupational Health Services Consortium Coordinator for pricing. Discussion was also had regarding drug testing for employees after an accident. February 1, 2026 is the deadline to sign an agreement with Wood County. Fiscal Officer Abke will obtain additional information to present at the next meeting.

The Trustees were given the November credit card statements for review, approval and signatures.

Fiscal Officer Abke was notified that there were some intermittent service issues at the Fire/EMS Station. A service ticket was issued from Modern Data and Modern Data did reset the firewall and was in contact with Amplex. John Wagner was also involved with resolving this issue. Mr. Wagner did notify employees to not unplug the system to reset if there is an issue as this clears any way of tracking the problem. Modern Data also notified the Township that the anti-virus agreement is due. Modern Data no longer offers yearly subscriptions as they have in the past. The cost of the new anti-virus program is \$2.97 per month per computer/laptop. At this time, Modern Data has nine devices registered with the Township for a total of \$26.73 per month. Fiscal Officer Abke stated she was disappointed in Modern Data for not notifying the Township sooner regarding the anti-virus protection. Trustee Chairperson Recker made a motion to approve the Modern Data anti-virus program for \$2.97 per device per month for a total of \$26.73 per month with a second motion by Trustee Brinker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Fiscal Office Abke presented the Trustees with a letter to approve and sign for Jeffery Kuntz. This letter is a Notice of Position Conclusion and Separation of Service as Rental Coordinator and Stony Ridge Township Building Maintenance Personnel as of December 31, 2025.

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Trustee Chairperson Recker made a motion to approve the letter of Notice of Position Conclusion and Separation of Services for Jeffery Kuntz with a second motion by Trustee Brinker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Fiscal Officer Abke presented the Trustees with a letter from the Wood County Park District stating the Stony Ridge Civic Association has been awarded a \$2,620.00 through the 2025 Wood County Park District, Local Community Parks Grant Program to improve 1-mile walking path at the Stony Ridge Community Park. Fiscal Officer Abke communicated this information with Jamie Pustay and congratulated the Civic Association.

A copy of the 2025 Roadside Mowing invoice that was sent to the Wood County Engineers' Office was presented to the Trustees. The total amount invoiced was \$8,280.00 for 69 total hours of mowing.

A 2026 Compensation Chart for Fiscal Officer and Trustee compensation was given to the Trustees.

APPROVE & SIGN CHECKS

Trustee Brinker made a motion to approve the list of seven transfers from one account to another as stated in the agenda with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Recker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries. The list is as follows:

Motion to approve to transfer \$33.06 to General Social Security 1000-110-212-0000 from General Other-other 1000-110-599-0000 \$33.06

Motion to approve to transfer \$216.28 Salary Fiscal Officer 1000-110-127-0000 from General Other-other expense 1000-110-599-0000 \$216.28

Motion to approve to transfer \$15.00 to Salaries Stony Ridge Building 1000-120-190-0120 from General Other-other 1000-110-599-0000 \$15.00

Motion to approve to transfer \$208.25 to Fire OPERS 2191-220-211-0000 from Fire Other-other Expense 2191-220-599-0000 \$208.25

Motion to approve to transfer \$304.44 to General Natural Gas Krotzer 1000-330-353-7000 from General Other-other expense 1000-110-599-0000 \$304.44

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Motion to approve to transfer \$669.49 to EMS Natural Gas 2192-230-353-1000 from Ems Other-other expense 2192-230-599-0000 \$669.49

Motion to approve to transfer \$1,803.20 to Gasoline Tax Road Salt 2021-330-420-0332 from Gasoline Tax Other-other expense 2021-330-599-0000 \$1,803.20

Trustee Recker made a motion to approve and sign checks for December 26, 2025 in the amount of \$21,966.35, ACH 727-2025 – ACH 755-2025, check #63107 to and including check #66109 with a second motion by Trustee Brinker.

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustee Brinker made a motion to approve and sign checks for December 29, 2025 in the amount of \$75,951.00, check #63110 to and including check #63151 with a second motion by Trustee Recker. Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Trustees were given Positive Pay Reports and Wages and Overtime Detail reports.

OLD BUSINESS – everything has been addressed

NEW BUSINESS – everything has been addressed

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Thursday, January 8, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wood County Fairgrounds Fred Pratt Pavilion, State Representative, Haraz Ghanbari and Wood County Auditor, Matt Oestreich, will talk about “abolishing tax on real property and prohibit any future taxes on real property”. If this passes, it would take effect on the first day of the year after it is passed.

Troy Township Trustees Reorganization Meeting, Saturday, January 3, 2026 at 9:00.

ITEMS ON HOLD – Land purchase from United Grace Methodist Church.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Trustee Chairperson Recker made a motion to enter into executive session for Employee Compensation with a second motion by Trustee Brinker.

Roll Call: Trustee Brinker – Yes Trustee Recker - Yes

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries

Entered into executive session at 7:42 p.m. Chief Woodruff and Deputy Chief Appelkans also entered into executive session.

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Trustee Chairperson Recker asked Fiscal Officer Abke to enter into executive session at 8:08 p.m.

Chief Woodruff and Deputy Chief Appelhans exited executive session at 8:11 p.m.

Fiscal Officer Abke exited executive session at 8:27 p.m.

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

Roll Call: Trustee Brinker – Yes Trustee Recker - Yes

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Came out of executive session at 8:28

Trustee Brinker made a motion to approve the "Contract for Repayment of Vacation Payout Overpayment" between Troy Township Trustees and employee Kimberly Conrad to be repaid the 15th of each month for twelve (12) consecutive months in equal payments with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Recker.

Roll Call: Trustee Brinker – Yes Trustee Recker – Yes

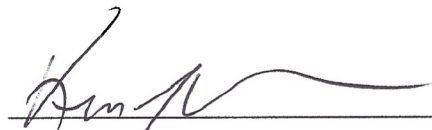
Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

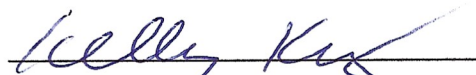
Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Brinker made a motion to adjourn the December 29, 2025 meeting with a second motion by Trustee Chairperson Recker

Vote 2-Yes 0-No. Motion carries.

Meeting ended at 8:30 p.m.


Kenneth J. Recker, Chairperson


Kelley A. Knitz, Trustee


Matthew L. Brinker, Trustee


Laura L. Abke, Fiscal Officer