

March 17, 2026 Minutes

Lambert called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The pledge was recited by all present. Upon Role Call the Result was:

LAMBERT HERE

VESELENAK HERE

Veselenak made the motion to accept the minutes from March 3, 2026 as they have read them through email. Seconded by Lambert. All in Favor: YES Veselenak made the motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Lambert. All in Favor YES The bills are in the amount of \$11,949.03.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 1) Vicki Owen-Merry asked if the Trustees were planning anything for the 250th anniversary of the United States. The response was no. She asked that the Trustees think about it. On April 4th, pictures with the Easter Bunny will be from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm and directly following is the Easter Egg Hunt. Volunteers are needed. The bridge towards Hudson is going to be the "Rainbow Bridge" to honor past pets. Jill Barkey has stepped down from the Volunteer Park Board. She was very dedicated, hardworking and much appreciated and thanked her for everything she contributed. She brought up concerns about the Data Center that is going in at the corner of Kroft and Faircrest in Perry Township. The noise that they create, the electric and water consumption is of huge concern. She would like the Trustees to do some research on this and take some action. Veselenak said she will speak with the Commission Board to see what is in the Zoning Resolution.
- 2) Rick Annen, Fire Chief, handed out the new fire codes that the State has initiated. They are going through the list to see what to adopt.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- 1) Busy week. Lots of trees and lines down from the storms.
- 2) Received 95 ton of salt in.
- 3) We are going to need a new tire on the back of the backhoe. Estimate of \$775.00. Don't know if that includes mobile service.
- 4) Guardrail is done on Goodrich. He has the information to submit the claim. Lambert asked Hughes to handle submitting the claim. Hughes will have all the answers for the insurance company.
- 5) A couple things were taken. The railroad sign that was leaning and fixed, a few stop ahead signs that were installed due to being taken or in bad shape and a road closed barricade.
- 6) Placed an order from Municipal Signs. Asked about a chevron sign for the bridges. Veselenak asked if that could be in the sign grant. Veselenak will print out the grant on Thursday.
- 7) Gas line work out on Beth Ave is completed and looks nice.
- 8) Had an ADA audit today, probably for the election coming up.
- 9) Biery is becoming a problem due to the heavy trucks using that road. The road is so narrow and the ditches are so deep. It needs dug out and a good foundation. Veselenak stated maybe we should apply for Biery on the OPW grant for next year. Lambert stated that road should have a weight limit on it. The end by Shepler Ave is the worst. 53' dump trucks are using that road. Veselenak asked Hughes to measure Biery when he has time. Lambert stated we should check how much of the right-of-way we have on that road. Hughes said it would be nice to have map of the all distances of the right-of-way's for all the roads in the township.
- 10) Checked the culvert on Brinker that is plugged at Soehnlén's. There is another culvert about 50 or 60 yards from the Soehnlén's culvert. There is plenty of room there to ditch it out and get it to run the other way to keep it off of the road. That would give Soehnlén more time to fix his problem.
- 11) Two companies have contacted him to schedule on site viewing of the Hensel project.
- 12) Asked to be informed about driveway installations being done. Veselenak suggested he speak with Borojevich.

URBACH REPORT

- 1) Went to the Health Department meeting and they did not have a quorum. Next year the meeting is going to be during the day and they need a quorum due to items needing voted on.

VESELENAK REPORT

- 1) Veselenak thanked Hughes for all the work he is doing. She has gotten calls from residents stating they are noticing him out and the good work he is doing.
- 2) Has Thursday scheduled to work on the sign grant. We are eligible and it's due in June. She will work with Hughes on this.
- 3) At the north entrance of the park, a culvert was installed. There is still a problem there and asked Hughes to check that out to see what he thinks.
- 4) Asked Urbach about the 5K run at the park for Mark Dearing this year. Urbach asked if Veselenak could meet next week at her shop. Veselenak said to inform her when. Urbach said Michelle Dearing wants the proceeds to go to the YMCA. Urbach asked if the Dearing family could take over doing the 5k Run next year. Veselenak stated she thinks the 5K Run would be on September 6th at the park.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- 1) Spoke with Manson about the berm material. He stated that 411 covers all types of berm material and you need to be specific in the bid the type you want. Matics stated that the reclaim asphalt is in the bid.
- 2) Placed the ad in the Repository for March 11th and March 18th for \$593.02.
- 3) Four companies have requested the bid package. Builders Exchange, ConstructConnect, Barbicas Construction Company, Inc and The Shelly Company.
- 4) Laney Willet from the Stark County Health Department would like to come to an April meeting. The Trustees agreed on the April 21st meeting.
- 5) Sent the email from First Energy to the Trustees concerning replacement of LED lights for streetlighting as the bulbs need replaced. What type of lighting do you want? 3000k is a softer light and the 4000K is brighter. The Trustees decided to have the 4000K replaced at the park and 3000K at the Sherman Lake Allotment.
- 6) Our permanent appropriations are in the system.
- 7) Stated Hughes has his 90-day probationary period in. Veselenak made the motion to remove Hughes from probationary status to permanent status. Urbach seconded the motion. All in Favor: YES
- 8) The Board of Appeals has a meeting on Wednesday, March 25th at 6:00 pm. At the last meeting the board was informed that the Piero application was accepted per the Stark County Prosecutor's Office.
- 9) The next Commission Board meeting is set for Monday, April 13th at 6:00 pm.
- 10) According to the Ohio Department of Taxation, all Air B&Bs are subject to charge lodging Tax. The Township has to report this to the Ohio Department of Taxation.

Lambert stated the next meeting will be Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 5:30 pm for the work session and 6:00 pm for the regular session. Urbach made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Veselenak. All in Favor: YES The meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Ronald L. Lambert- President

T. Renee Veselenak- Vice President

James J. Urbach – Trustee

Jody Matics – Fiscal Officer