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REGULAR MEETING JULY 14, 2026

Mr. Barto called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, present; Mr. Barto, present; Mr. Schuster, present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Also present:

Fiscal Officer – Michele Nowakowski

Township Administrator – Leo Britton

Department Heads Present:

Fire – Assistant Chief Long

Police – Chief Hart

Roads and Parks Superintendent – Ryan Breininger

Announcements from Trustees and Department Heads:

Mr. Schuster - Trustee

- Mr. Schuster asks resident Barb Kingsley to deliver opening prayer.

Mr. Barto – Trustee

- Mr. Barto thanks Assistant Chief Long for assisting other departments in the search for the missing girl on the water over the weekend.
- Happy 25th Wedding Anniversary to Chief Bailey and his wife.

Assistant Chief Long - Fire

- Chief Long states the fire department has been extremely busy this year. They have made over 300 calls so far this year.

Chief Hart – Police

- Chief Hart would like to recognize and give a round of applause to Officer Dan Wells who is back to full time with the police department after being deployed. He was called to active duty.

Mrs. Nowakowski – Fiscal Officer

- Mrs. Nowakowski would like to thank the fire department for the nice fireworks show that they put on.

Motion to enter into Executive Session.

Executive Session per ORC 121.22(G)(1) to discuss employment of a public employee and Executive Session per ORC 121.22(G)(4) negotiation of a contract.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Mayfield, yes.

Motion to return from Executive Session 6:26 p.m.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

Mr. Barto states there was a discussion held in Executive Session regarding employee changes within the police department. Will revisit outcome of that discussion at the end of the meeting.

Fiscal Business

MOTION: Approve supplemental appropriations, blanket certificates, purchase orders and checks numbered 51624 through 51669 and electronic payments numbered 838 through 1035, totaling \$251,999.65; \$164,923.27 for accounting, \$87,076.38 for payroll.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes.

MOTION: To set Record Retention Meeting for August 11, 2026 at 5:45 p.m. This is to take place before the August Trustee Meeting.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes.

RESOLUTION #36:26: To approve the Revenue for Budget for 2027 in the amount of \$2,835,143.90.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes.

RESOLUTION #37:26: Transfer of Funds from General Fund to Police Fund in the amount of \$4,400.00 for payment to Bauman Ford for Vehicle #92.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes.

RESOLUTION #38:26: Supplemental Appropriation in the Police Fund #2191 in the amount of \$4,400.00 for payment to Bauman Ford.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes.

RESOLUTION Table: Tax Exempt Certificate Use and Sales Tax Policy.

RESOLUTION Table: Revision in Policy 626.3 to include Exceptions for Using Personal Credit Cards.

Zoning

MOTIONS WERE PREVIOUSLY MADE AT JUNE 9, 2026 MEETING FOR BLIGHT SHOULD HAVE BEEN RESOLUTIONS NEXT THREE RESOLUTIONS WERE NUMBERED ALREADY FROM PREVIOUS MEETING. NUMBERS 33:26, 34:26 AND 35:26.

RESOLUTION #33:26: For blight at the property located at 5321 Pageland for Violation 1308(H).

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

RESOLUTION #34:26: For blight at the property located at 6114 Windamar for Violation 1308(D) & (H).

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

RESOLUTION #35:26: For blight at the property located at 5417 Patriot for Violation 1308(H) & (D).

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

RESOLUTON #39:26: For blight at the property located at 5235 Patriot 1308(H) grass and overgrown weeds on fences.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

RESOLUTION #40:26: For blight at the property located at 5848 Vistamar 1320(C) boat in driveway in front of house.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

RESOLUTION #41:26: For blight at the property located at 2662 Coveview 1308(H) grass and overgrown weeds on fences.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

Police

Motion: To approve the title transfer to the police department for a 2018 Chevrolet Equinox vehicle from impound lot for the police department to use. Minimal or no cost to police department for this vehicle.

Mr. Barto moved, Mr. Schuster, seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield yes, Mr. Schuster, yes, Mr. Barto, yes.

Fire

Motion: For the fire department to list the special operations trailer for sale on Govdeals.com.

Mr. Barto moved, Mr. Mayfield, seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

Mr. Barto asks Assistant Chief Long to check with Chief Bailey regarding their plan for the Lucas County Ambulance that was gifted to them. Chief Long states a plan is already in the works. It was listed on Govdeals but it didn't sell. They are going to list it again.

Trustee Business

MOTION: Approve Minutes from Regular Meeting of June 9, 2026.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes.

MOTION: Approve Minutes from Special Meeting of June 15, 2026.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

RESOLUTION #42.26: To approve new Cyber Security Policy effective July 14, 2026.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

Motion: To offer Interim Police Chief Eric Hart the permanent position as Police Chief of Washington Township at a pay rate of \$81,269.00 per year, full time, salaried position. He will continue to be a part of the OVI Task Force and will be paid an hourly pay rate of \$58.75 when he works on the OVI Task Force. He will remain with the current health, dental and vision insurance. Vacation, personal time, paid holidays and sick time will remain the same as well. This will be in effect as of July 20, 2026 for payroll change. Chief Hart agrees with the above conditions.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Mayfield seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

Motion: To promote Tom Gearheart from Patrolman to Captain effective July 14, 2026. Pay increase in effect as of July 20, 2026 from a rate of \$24.26 an hour to \$26.51 an hour.

Mr. Barto, moved; Mr. Mayfield, seconded.

Mr. Mayfield Mr. Schuster Mr. Barto

Motion To Promote Andrew Whitmore from Patrolman to Sergeant effective July 14, 2026. Pay increase in effect as of July 20, 2026 from a rate of \$24.26 an hour to \$26.26 an hour.

Mr. Barto, moved; Mr. Mayfield, seconded.

Roll call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes; Mr. Barto, yes.

Chief Hart reads his Oath of Office.

DELEGATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MOTION: With no additional business or comments, Mr. Barto moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Mr. Barto moved; Mr. Schuster seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Mayfield, yes; Mr. Barto, yes; Mr. Schuster, yes.

APPROVED:



Don Barto

Mark Schuster

Jerry Mayfield

Kimberly Kay