

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Lawrence Township Trustees

Regular Meeting

July 9, 2026

The Trustees of Lawrence Township met in regular session at 7:00PM. in the Charles E. Lundenberger Memorial Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Trustee Ackerman. Trustee Ritterbeck was absent.

Minutes from the June 25, 2026 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC SPEAKS

Bolivar Fire Chief Lynch presented Trustees with a form from the Ohio State Fire Marshall regarding inspection of food trucks. Food trucks in Lawrence Township will be inspected and form filled out and will be good for one year from date of inspection. Resident Bill Lebold advised Trustees that he will be selling his property between Eberhard and French Hill and was asking if the township had restrictions on data centers. Zoning Inspector Weekley advised Mr. Lebold that the Zoning Commission was holding a public hearing on July 14, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. prior to their regular monthly meeting to approve data centers to only be located in Industrial Zoning. Mr. Lebold asked if zoning can be changed and Weekley said yes, but to change his property from R-4 to Industrial is considered spot zoning and illegal. Mr. Lebold asked if he should put a deed restriction on the property prior to selling and was advised by Weekley that was a personal decision, but could help his not wanting to sell the land to be used for a data center.

MEETING

Road Superintendent Myers advised Trustees that O.D.O.T. sent out first round of bids for salt and 18 counties did not get a contract, second round of bids for salt and 12 counties did not get a contract including Tuscarawas County, and a third round of bids is currently out. Road crew finished second round of roadside mowing and working on repairing catch basins and curbs. Zoning Inspector Weekley reminded Trustees of public hearing July 14, 2026 prior to the regular monthly Zoning Commission meeting regarding data centers in the township. Trustee Haueter spoke regarding road closures during the Sparks of Giving and advised full closure of Wilkshire Blvd between Jeanne Anne Lane and Arrowhead Road, township road department will erect appropriate signs, barricades, and lighting the afternoon of Friday August 28 as this area will be included in the event area, and road crew will collect signs and barricades Sunday, August 30 in the morning. Permission for Sparks of Giving event staff and or public safety forces to close or restrict access to all of Jeanne Anne Lane and Wilkshire Blvd between Edgebrook and Jeanne Anne Lane on Saturday, August 29. This closure /restriction is to facilitate orderly traffic flow and to and from event and parking areas. Haueter made a **motion**, seconded by Ackerman to approve road closure and potential closure due to Spark of Giving. Haueter: yes; Ackerman: yes. **Motion** passed. Fiscal Officer Ackerman presented Trustees with quarterly Appropriations Report and Revenue Report. Haueter made a **motion**, seconded by Ackerman to approve the quarterly Credit Card Report. Haueter: yes; Ackerman: yes. **Motion** passed. Trustee Ackerman reminded residents to support the Twist of Mineral City to be held Saturday, July 11, 2026. A motion to adjourn was made and so ordered.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

_____, Fiscal Officer
Ann Marie Ackerman

_____, Trustee
Michael Haueter

_____, Trustee
Absent
Matthew Ritterbeck

_____, Chairman
Donald Ackerman

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