

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of **Greenfield Township Trustees** *Meeting*

July 23, 2025 - Held 6:00 PM

The Greenfield Township Trustees met in regular session at the Firehouse. Trustee Cotner led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Dave Cotner, Lonnie Kosch and Kent Searle were present.

Trustee Cotner presented the minutes of the June 25, 2025 Trustee Meeting for approval. He asked for a motion, if no changes were noted. Trustee Searle moved to approve the minutes; Trustee Cotner seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

Trustee Cotner presented the minutes of the July 9, 2025 Trustee Meeting for approval. He asked for a motion, if no changes were noted. There was a question and discussion regarding a statement to "add pending levy passage and wage information". With this addition to the minutes, Trustee Searle moved to approve the minutes; Trustee Cotner seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: No Searle: Yes Motion Passed 2-1

FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER: Fiscal Officer Jessica Kull reported on the following business:

Fiscal Officer Kull asked for a motion to pay the bills, warrants 3736 to 3749; and the electronic debits 170-2025 to 192-2025. Trustee Cotner moved to approve the payments; Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

She also asked for a motion to pay the purchase orders. Trustee Kosch made a motion to approve the purchase orders; Trustee Cotner seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

ZONING DEPARTMENT: Jeff Williamsen, Zoning Inspector, presented the following business:

Jeff noted his report was included in the meeting packet.

Future Meetings: July 24, 2025: Ware Variance minutes; August 5, 2025: RPC; August 12, 2025: Zoning Commission

Past Meetings: 7/10: Zoning Commission; 7/15: Engaging Residents in the Zoning Process; 7/17: Ware Variance, 650 Coonpath; 7/23: GIS & Mapping

Zoning Certificates Issues Since Last Meeting: 2

Violations/Complaints Since Last Meeting: 0

Property Visits: 5650 Brook Road; 650 Coonpath (2); 4400 Coonpath; 5910 Brook.

General:

- New zoning forms are being tested. There was an adjustment made to the Private Pool application forms.
- Zoning Resolution Changes - The edits continue at the Zoning Commission's direction.
- Cleaning up, scanning and filing applications of zoning filing continues (18 done last week). Once that is complete, zoning boxes of filing in the file room will be sorted.

ROAD AND CEMETERY DEPARTMENT: Tom Shafer, Road and Cemetery Superintendent, presented the following business:

Cemetery Deeds: Deeds for Wilma Frank and Kathryn Underwood were presented for signature. Trustee Cotner moved to accept the deeds as presented; Trustee Searle seconded the motion.

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Pipe Replacement on Election House Road: Tom reported this pipe needs replaced. It is located at 3675 Election House Road. It is an 18 inch steel pipe; it can't keep up, and the bottom is damaged. He feels it needs to be replaced as soon as possible. He stated he had discussed it with the Fairfield County Engineer's Office and they think they can add it to the OPWC funding. He noted Law Contracting can replace it for \$12,015.00; they are already working on an OPWC job. The Township was given money by OPWC and they are below budget, so these funds could be used to pay for this pipe replacement, or they could use the allotment money at the County Engineer's Office. He noted the Engineer's Office is fairly certain they can use OPWC money.

Trustee Cotner made a motion to accept the Bid from Law Contracting for \$12,015.00 to replace the pipe; Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

Claypool Drive and Dolson Court Issue: Trustee Searle stated he had sent an email from the person with the concern about changing this to a four-way stop to Tom. The Fairfield County Engineer's Office recommends making this intersection a four-way stop. A resolution will be needed to proceed with this issue. After discussion regarding a three-way vs. a four-way stop, the Board was in favor of proceeding with this issue to create a four-way stop. A resolution will be created for review at the next Trustee Meeting.

Ditching/Road Mowing/Storm Clean-Up: The normal clean-up work is continuing.

At this time, Trustee Cotner made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss employee compensation and performance, per ORC 121.22(g)1; Trustee Searle seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

The Board entered Executive Session at 6:20 p.m.

Trustee Cotner made a motion to return from Executive Session; Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

The Board returned from Executive Session at 6:48 p.m.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Lieutenant Carlton Reaves reported on behalf of Chief Brad Smith, who is on vacation:

Tanker 561: The Department is still waiting on quotes for the front mount pump. Other options are being explored in the meantime, including replacing the entire truck.

Staff Update: Jaydon Thomason-Whaley began his first shift as a full-time firefighter on July 22, 2025. Swearing-in will occur at the August 13, 2025 Trustee's Meeting.

Events: Rope Rescue Training will be held on August 2, 2025. The Carroll Festival will be held on August 8 & 9, 2025.

FLOOR: There was no one to speak from the floor.

FROM THE TRUSTEES: Trustee Searle noted the Board needed to approve Medicare Part B premium reimbursement for the Benestar group. He made a motion to have Medicare Part B premiums reimbursed through the HRA plan for those in the Benestar group for 2025; Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

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At this time, Trustee Searle made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

The Board entered Executive Session at 6:53 p.m.

Trustee Cotner made a motion to return from Executive Session; Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:05 p.m.

Trustee Kosch had questions and issues to discuss with the Road Department. He asked why old equipment and trucks are being kept, noting that stuff is sitting outside. Tom Shafer responded that small and big trucks are needed for different jobs and tasks. He noted the truck with the liftgate is used, even if it is rusty on the tailgate. Trustee Kosch also asked whether the 5610 tractor should be retired and a new one purchased? He also asked why the stone box is kept, as the Township does not do tar and chipping; the same question for the tar distributor. These issues will be considered and discussed at another time.

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Searle made a motion to adjourn; Trustee Cotner seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: Yes Kosch: Yes Searle: Yes Motion Passed 3-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.