

Beaver Township Board of Trustees

Tuesday, March 11,

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1. The Beaver Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. Chairman Kappler called the meeting to order with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, here; Mr. Tabor, here; Mrs. Simmons, here.
2. The next regular township meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at the Beaver Township Administration Office, 11999 South Ave., North Lima OH 44452.

3. PUBLIC RESPONSE

- All persons presenting information must give name and address.
- All comments must be directed to the Board.
- Comments & disruptive discussion are not to be held among audience.

Gary DeLost, 9302 Harvard Blvd., commented about the state of the Route 7 (Market St) corridor. He feels the trustees need to work harder at getting it cleaned up, possibly reach out to a major chain (Cracker Barrel) to entice them to come to the township, get in touch with realtors to help build the corridor into possibly something like Breezewood, offer tax breaks and more signage is needed. Anything to bring businesses to the township. Trustee Simmons said that the Penn Ohio project is moving along and that Zoning is doing a great job. Trustee Kappler asked if he really wants the township to offer tax breaks. Mr. DeLost responded that they need to do something. Trustee Tabor brought up the fact that not every resident has his same thoughts that some do not want the growth. Police Chief Dattilo did say that as of today the company was at Penn Ohio to start the asbestos removal. Trustee Simmons gave him the pen that she signed the new building final paperwork with. Mr. DeLost said thank you.

4. CHECK APPROVAL

A Motion was made by Mrs. Simmons; seconded by Mr. Kappler to pay the following bills from the payroll account checks 10,708 thru 10,713 and 118,452 thru 118,572 and from the regular account checks 46,523 thru 46,618 in the amount of \$520,306.75. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

5. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Eric Dattilo, Police Chief reported for the month of February 2025:

Calls for Service: 1,458
Traffic Stops: 184
Miles: 11,286
Arrests: 11
Citations: 41
Crashes Investigated: 14

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I am requesting the Board of Trustees to designate the following items as surplus for destruction:

Gray Filing Cabinets identified w/Beaver property stickers #1296
Paper File Cabinet w/property #1442
Corkboard #1434
Intercoms #1274
Minifridge #1849
Bookcase #1738

6. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to designate the items presents as surplus for destruction. Roll Call: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

I am requesting the Board of Trustees to designate the following vehicles as surplus for auction by Baer Auctioneers:

Police cruiser, Vin #1FM5K8AR5HGC63174

7. A Motion was made by Mr. Tabor, seconded by Mr. Kappler to designate the vehicle presented as surplus for auction by Baer Auctioneers. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

I am requesting the Board of Trustees to move Ofc. Robert W. Focht from part time officer to full time effective April 6, 2025.

8. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mrs. Simmons to move Ofc. Robert W. Focht from part time officer to full time effective April 6, 2025. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

Beaver PD will be accepted by the Ohio Collaborative Law Enforcement Accreditation Program, possibly as soon as they convene for their conference on April 15-16, 2025 in Columbus. We have been invited to attend that conference.

9. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Larry Sauerwein, Fire Chief, reported for the month of February 2025:

The Beaver Township Fire Department responded to 176 calls for service, bringing our year-to-date total to 355 calls. They included but are not limited to:

40	Public Service
5	Motor Vehicle Accidents
9	Alarm Activation
8	Cancelled in Route
1	Power Line Down
1	Gas Leak
1	Cooking Fire
1	Building Fire
1	Trash Fire

The Beaver Township Fireman's Association will be holding their annual Pancake Breakfast at the fire station on April 5th from 7 am- noon. Price is by donation and we are also planning on having a basket raffle.

10. EMS/INSPECTION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Frank Dispenza, EMS Chief/Lead Fire reported for the month of February 2025:

EMS:

(156) Responses; (165) Patients Seen; (112) Transports to Hospital; and (522.8) Loaded Miles

The monthly responses included: (71) ALS Transports; (38) BLS Transports; (2) Medic Back Up to Other Department; (8) Backup to Other Department; (3) Backup to BTFD Crew; (3) ALS Treatment-No Transport; (34) Refusals; (1) Coroner Referrals; (3) Non-Emergency Transfer; (12) Cancelled Requests; (2) False Alarms and (14) Lift Assists.

INSPECTION DEPARTMENT:

(14) Annual Inspections; (6) Occupancy Permit Inspections; (8) Miscellaneous and (3) State Fire Marshall Re-Inspections
Total Inspections: 31

11. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

Brad Burbick, Road Superintendent, reported for the month of February 2025:

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees hire Jacob Wickline as a full time Operator II at an hourly rate of \$21.57 for the Road Department. He has passed his drug screen and background check. He will start on March 13, 2025.

12. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to hire Jacob Wickline as a full time Operator II at an hourly rate of \$21.57 for the Road Department. He has passed his drug screen and background check. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

At a special meeting before this meeting, we opened bids for two road projects for this summer. They will be reviewed by the prosecutor's office.

It has been a busy winter but there were no major issues. Hopefully spring is here. The salt supply is decent

A paving project for Cherry Hills has been submitted to the county for approval. We are waiting to get a PO# to move forward.

13. ZONING REPORT

Lindy Mitchell, Zoning Inspector, reported for the month of February 2025:

Permits: (8); Year to Date Permits: (15); Fees: \$2,161.00; Year to Date Fees: \$9,587.00; Est'd Value: \$777,880.00; Year to Date Est'd Value: \$2,965,380.00
Number of Violations: 0

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14. PARK DEPARTMENT REPORT

Scott Conway, Park/Maintenance Administrator reported for the month of February 2025:

The Senior Programs are set with a variety of speakers this year. We are also combining the stepping out program with the meeting.

We are in the process of several projects including adding posts around the Music in the Park. Trustee Tabor asked about baseball and the posts. Scott said that Brandy from the baseball association said it would be okay. Trustee Tabor also asked about cement barriers in lieu of the posts. Scott continued on with his report.

We will once again be planting trees and shrubs at the Nature Preserve with volunteers from the First Energy Corporation and members of the South Range Honor Society. At last check, we still have about half of the plants from last year. Also, we will be giving out a variety of different trees to the community on April 26th at the Nature Preserve to plant at home. There will be more details to follow.

15. RECYCLING REPORT

Cindy Sauerwein, Recycling Coordinator, reports as follows for the month of February 2025:

There is no report this month. The bins did not get emptied last night so I will call in the morning.

16. FISCAL OFFICE REPORT

Richard Lotze, Fiscal Officer, reported as follows for the month of February 2025:

Everyone received their financial reports.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees pass a Resolution 'Declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation and requesting certification from the Mahoning County Auditor' for the 1.9 Mill General Renewal Levy.

17. RESOLUTION 25-17

A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Beaver Township that the Board of Trustees pass a Resolution 'Declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation and requesting certification from the Mahoning County Auditor' for the 1.9 Mill General Renewal Levy.

The Motion was seconded by Mrs. Simmons with Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees pass a Resolution 'Declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation and requesting certification from the Mahoning County Auditor' for the 2.9 Mill Police Renewal Levy.

18. RESOLUTION 25-18

A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Beaver Township that the Board of Trustees pass a Resolution 'Declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation and requesting certification from the Mahoning County Auditor' for the 2.9 Mill Police Renewal Levy.

The Motion was seconded by Mr. Tabor with Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

19. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

We have been approved for the NOPEC Community Event Sponsorship in the amount of \$1,500 which will be put toward the cost of Music in the Park.

Action to approve the NOPEC 2025 Energized Community Grant Agreement.

20. RESOLUTION 25-19

A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Beaver Township that the Board of Trustees approve the NOPEC 2025 Energized Community Grant Agreement.

The Motion was seconded by Mr. Tabor with Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

A resident inquired about putting a streetlight at the intersection of Melrose and Western Reserve. According to the county engineer as part of the Western Reserve Road project, they are going to put a red light at the Southern Blvd. intersection and that should resolve the issue. Trustee Simmons also stated that the Woodworth sign is gone but was told a new one will be installed.

Right of Way – Some neighboring townships have had issues with utility companies working in the road right of ways. There is a resolution that can be passed with guidelines for road right of way work.

Building Updates – We have started with the renovations of the new building. It is moving right along.

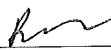
Trustee Tabor said that Dickey Electric is looking into the possibility of securing electric on the roundabout for us. He asked Zoning Inspector Mitchell for the original roundabout plans.

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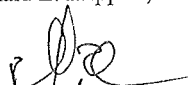
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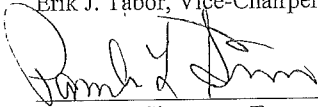
21. EXECUTIVE SESSION: According to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 to go into executive session at 6:31 PM to consider possible employment and compensation of public employees. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.
22. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Returned from executive session at 7:18 PM with Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.
23. With no further business, a Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.



Ronald L. Kappler, Chairperson

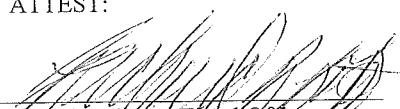


Erik J. Tabor, Vice-Chairperson



Pamela L. Simmons, Trustee

ATTEST:



Richard R. Lotze, Fiscal Officer