

Tuesday, October 14,

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1. The Beaver Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 14, 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, November 18, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at the Beaver Township Administration Office, 11822 South Ave., North Lima OH 44452. The date was changed due to the fact that the second Tuesday was Veterans Day.

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., asked Road Superintendent Brad Burbick if the blacktopping in Woodworth was done. Mr. Burbick said yes. Mr. Delost asked when the rest would be done and Mr. Burbick said in a couple of years (2027-2028). The grant that was used for the blacktopping is an every two-year grant. Mr. Delost also mentioned that he saw 'Benny the Beaver' at Memorial Park and it looks nice. He also said that all the parks look nice and are in great shape.

4. CHECK APPROVAL

A Motion was made by Mrs. Simmons; seconded by Mr. Kappler to pay the following bills from the payroll account checks 10,762 thru 10,773 and 119,382 thru 119,573 and from the regular account checks 47,203 thru 47,326 for a TOTAL= \$383,928.43. 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 September 2025:

Calls for Service: 1,354
Traffic Stops: 250
Miles: 12,403
Arrests: 18
Citations: 29
Crashes Investigations: 20

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve an MOU with the Mahoning Valley First Responder Wellness Center for disbursement of \$8,771.31 of Opioid settlement funds. This is in the interest of the furtherance of our Officer Wellness program, and the center is available for use for any Beaver Township First Responder. The center will provide: counselors, training, physical fitness and debriefings for critical incidents.

6. RESOLUTION 25-57

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 an MOU with the Mahoning Valley First Responder Wellness Center for disbursement of \$8,771.31 of Opioid settlement funds.

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

We received a notice from the Department of Commerce in reference to the issuance of a Liquor Permit for the Youngstown Shrine Club. The Beaver PD reviewed the documents and does not have a reason for a hearing at this time.

7. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to not request a hearing for the liquor permit for the Youngstown Shrine Club at this time. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees renew our MOU with the Canfield Police Department for the OVI Task Force.

8. RESOLUTION 25-58

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 renewal our MOU with the Canfield Police Department for the OVI Task Force.

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

Accreditation update...The assessors came last Wednesday and it went very well. The final answer will come mid-November if we have received the accreditation.

Beaver Police Department participated in the statewide sting "Operation Next Door" with the Mahoning Valley Human Trafficking Task Force that resulted in the arrest of 7 individuals. We recently assigned an officer to the task force on a part time basis and that officer led and coordinated the operation with Det/Lt Sinkovich. Everything went as perfect as it could go.

9. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

The Fire Department responded to 165 calls for service, bringing our year-to-date total to 1,671 calls. These include, but are not limited to:

- 8 Motor Vehicle Accidents
- 16 Cancelled in Route
- 14 Alarm Activations
- 3 Unauthorized Burning
- 1 Water Problem
- 1 Power Line Down

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees hire the following personnel: (Motion)

Stephanie Schiavone (Paramedic/VFF)	Background Check/Drug Screen Complete
Michael Goterba (EMT-B/FF 1)	Background Check/Drug Screen Complete
Anthony Ross (EMT-B/FF 2)	Background Check/Drug Screen Complete

- 10. A Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mr. Tabor to hire Stephanie Schiavone, Michael Goerba and Anthony Ross to the Fire Department effective October 14, 2025. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees accept the Assistance to Firefighters Grant from FEMA for the total amount of \$727,350.00. This includes \$725,000.00 for the purchase of a new Tanker/Pumper for the Fire Department. Beaver Township will be liable for a 5% match or \$34,635.72.

11. RESOLUTION 25-59

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

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The following policies need approved for the FEMA Grant that you just accepted:

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the Federal Grant Record Retention Policy as presented.

12. RESOLUTION 25-60

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 Federal Grant Record Retention Policy as presented.

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

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the Purchases and Accounts Payable Policy as presented.

13. RESOLUTION 25-61

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 Purchases and Accounts Payable Policy as presented.

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 approve their Equipment Management Policy as presented.

14. RESOLUTION 25-62

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 their Equipment Management Policy as presented.

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

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve their Procurement Policy as presented.

15. RESOLUTION 25-63

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 their Procurement Policy as presented.

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

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Trustee Kappler said that he called Gatchell Grant Resources and talked with the grant writer. He was pleased with all the answers he received to his questions. Trustee Simmons asked how old the current truck was and what are you going to do with it. Fire Chief Sauerwein said that the truck is early 2000's and the tank is 1960. He also stated that the old truck would probably be sold at auction. Chief Sauerwein thanked Trustee Kappler for finding the grant writer. He also thanked Fiscal Officer Richard Lotze, Administrative Assistant Tracey Parks and Fire Secretary Kris Yocum for their help when applying for the grant. Fiscal Officer Richard Lotze said that if all the Trustees are up on all federal policies, he will sign online accepting the FEMA grant award on their behalf. This will throw us over the \$750,000 threshold and into a special audit on top of the regular audit after the funds are here.

Chief Sauerwein explained that their current EMS reporting system (IMS) has become antiquated and would like the Trustees to consider changing to ESO for the department's reporting system. The department has stayed with their current system (IMS) because payroll was attached to the system. Since we went to hourly rates, this is not the case anymore. As part of the current cost, the chief believes that University Hospital will pay for the EMS reporting part of the system. Fiscal Officer Richard Lotze asked if he would get in writing how long they will be paying this part of the monthly invoice. Chief Sauerwein continued saying that this new system could do so much more...scheduling, maintenance reports, personnel files, fire inspections, etc. Trustee Simmons noted that the quote that was given to them was outdated. Fiscal Officer Lotze requested a current quote. Trustee Kappler said to get an updated quote and agreement so that it can be sent to the Mahoning County Prosecutors Officer for their approval.

EMS/INSPECTION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Frank Dispenza, reported for the month of September 2025:

EMS:

(144) Responses; (158) Patients Seen; (95) Transports to Hospital; and (418.7) Loaded Miles

The monthly responses included: (44) ALS Transports; (53) BLS Transports; (1) ALS Transport W/Medic from Other Department; (1) Medic Back Up to Other Department; (10) Backup to Other Department; (8) Backup to BTFD Crew; (1) BLS Treatment-No Transport; (34) Refusals; (17) Cancelled Requests; and (9) Lift Assists.

INSPECTION DEPARTMENT:

(9) Annual Inspections; (1) State Fire Marshal Inspections; (3) Inspector CE; (1) School Fire Drill; (7) Fire Alarm Problems; (1) Occupancy Permit Inspections; (5) Miscellaneous; (5) Reinspection; (1) Plan Review. Total Inspections: 33

16. ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

Blacktop leveling and patching is finished. We used 472.0 ton.

A 16-foot enclosed trailer is being purchased from Bennett Trailer in the amount of \$7,920.00. This will be used to haul and store the mowers.

Woodworth Paving is complete. It turned out good.

We are waiting on Lindy Paving to put railroad markings on Pine Lake Road to finalize the project. They said it would be Thursday or Friday.

At the Commissioners' meeting last Thursday, action was taken to transfer the following roads (approximately one mile) from the county to the township:

West Calla Road (CH30) – deadend off of Sharrott Road.

Lynn Road (CH50) – deadend off of Detwiler Road towards St Rte 11.

East Middletown Road – two sections (CH28) – one is off of the roundabout going into turnpike employee entrance and second off of Middletown Road east of St Rte 164.

17. ZONING REPORT

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

Permits: (12); Year to Date Permits: (61); Fees: \$7,280.00; Year to Date Fees: \$22,339.00; Est'd Value: \$2,782,800.00; Year to Date Est'd Value: \$7,449,126.00
Number of Violations: 0

18. PARK DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

Trunk and Treat is scheduled for Saturday, November 1st from 5-7 pm at the South Range Plaza.

Veterans Day Program will be Saturday, November 8th at 11 am at the Safety Building. The speaker will be Pastor Kerry Dean, Navy Veteran and Pastor of Cornerstone Assembly Church.

Beginning next year, the Mahoning Valley Astrological Society will be meeting at the Nature Preserve.

We will be closing the pavilions at the end of the month.

19. RECYCLING REPORT

Cindy Sauerwein, Recycling Coordinator, reported as follows for the month of September 2025:

She said that everything continues to be good.

20. FISCAL OFFICE REPORT

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

Everyone received their financial reports.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the following Appropriation changes as presented.

Increase 28-A-1 (Salaries)	\$15,000.00	New Balance=\$290,000.00
Increase 28-A-8 (Contracts)	\$ 4,000.00	New Balance=\$ 65,500.00
Increase 10-A-15 (Other)	\$ 5,000.00	New Balance=\$ 49,500.00
Increase 1-J-3 (Other)	\$ 3,000.00	New Balance=\$ 53,000.00
Increase 1-B-1 (Salaries)	\$ 3,000.00	New Balance=\$ 17,500.00
Increase 9-A-7 (Equip)	\$ 5,000.00	New Balance=\$ 35,000.00
Increase 4-A-5 (Supplies)	\$ 5,000.00	New Balance=\$ 30,000.00
Increase 4-A-13 (Other)	\$ 2,000.00	New Balance=\$ 23,000.00
Increase 1-M-3 (Contracts)	\$10,000.00	New Balance=\$180,000.00
Increase 9-A-9 (Repairs)	\$ 5,000.00	New Balance=\$ 55,000.00
Increase 26-A-1 (Salaries) (SHEP Fund)	\$ 2,000.00	New Balance=\$ 2,000.00

21. RESOLUTION 25-64

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 appropriations as presented.

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

22. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

Trick or Treat will be on Friday, October 31st from 5 – 7 pm.

Crimewatch is Tuesday, October 28th at 7 pm at Shepherd of the Valley. Prosecuting Attorney Lynn Maro is speaking.

Trustee Simmons shared that the logo for the meeting room wall is being made. She also thanked Trustee Tabor for hanging all our signs.

Trustee Tabor said he is looking into solar lights for the roundabout sign.

Trustee Simmons told Gary Delost that she could not find the township sign that he was talking about coming from Columbiana. She asked Road Superintendent Brad Burbick if he would look and make sure it got put back up.

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23. EXECUTIVE SESSION: According to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 to go into executive session at 6:28 PM to consider compensation of public employees. Roll Call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.
24. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Returned from executive session at 6:55 PM with roll call as follows: Mr. Kappler, aye; Mr. Tabor, aye; Mrs. Simmons, aye.
25. With no further business, a Motion was made by Mr. Kappler, seconded by Mrs. Simmons 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