## THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REGULAR MEETING - September 3, 2025

Chairman Paul Runion called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Attendance:

Trustees: Paul Runion, Bill Hammer and Ken Green

Fiscal Officer: Lori Kepus Fire Chief: Tim Schnitker

Zoning Inspector: Steve Michaelis (left at 8:09 pm)

Road Supervisor: Jim Busdiecker

EMS - No report.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT** – Fire Chief Tim Schnitker reported on the following:

- Bill checked the power during startup of the exhaust system. It was normal. Just as the starter should have kicked out and the motor should have been running it popped the over load. The motor was still free spinning after the overload kicked out.
- The Final Draft on storage building is here. I want to read it over and will post it in next week's run of the newspaper.
- > X-4 is back. Atlantic is coming Friday to install the Roll Sensor.
- > Benders is coming Friday to work on the mobile repeaters in the trucks. They have not been tuned since they were put in. They may also need some new wires as some looked very frayed. I am also going to ask them for a quote to move the mobile repeater from X-4 to X-2 as that is now the first out truck. We have had some MARCs issues on the turnpike, and I am also getting quotes to update our UHF radios.
- ➤ We are switching X-2 to F500 in the tank. It was obvious the positive difference it made on the last truck fire on the turnpike.
- → Mark Grove is interested in taking an EMR Emergency Medical Response course. The cost is approximately \$825.
- ➤ We need a new computer in the chief's office. We will also update the software to Windows 11.

## **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

A driveway culvert permit with 12" double wall pipe was approved for Brad Rife, TR 163.

<u>CEMETERY</u> – Jim Busdiecker reported workers continue to haul stone for the roads in the new addition at Westwood Cemetery.

> The Trustees signed a deed for one plot for Victoria and Patrick Kruse of Arizona.

**ZONING** – Steve Michaelis reported on the following:

- I have prepared threes zoning violation letters for Allan Huss, Ryan Moser, and Jay Haar.
- > I received a zoning permit application for a new home for Dan & Jodi Bronikowski, US 23.
- Paul Hardin, CR 24, would like to build a shed on his property.
- I will be meeting with Ron Blevins, CR 107, to write a permit for his newly built barn.

<u>Fiscal Officer</u> – Lori Kepus presented the Trustees with the Township's **balanced bank reconciliation** for the month of August and the updated Fund, Revenue, and Appropriation Status reports.

Below is the August financial report.

 August Revenue Received
 \$ 491,974.72

 August Expenses Paid
 \$ 52,464.30

 Balance of all Funds as of 8/31/2025
 \$ 3,635,363.45

The trustees discussed a letter received from the Sandusky County Commissioners regarding possibly passing a property tax exemption that would piggy-back on the existing state homestead exemption. This would provide additional relief to qualifying senior citizens, and permanently and totally disabled homeowners, and some surviving spouses. The recent state budget allows county commissioners to take this action by resolution. It would cost the entire county a loss of revenue of approximately \$1,500,000 in the areas of townships, villages, libraries, senior citizens, mental health, the developmentally disabled, police, 911, and ambulance. Specifically, it would cost Woodville Township a loss of revenue of approximately \$10,350 a year. Trustee Hammer made a motion to send a letter of support of the Commissioners idea of passing a property tax exemption that would piggy-back on the existing state homestead exemption. Trustee Runion seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to approve the warrants. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. Trustee Green made a motion to approve the August 20, 2025 regular meeting minutes. Trustee Runion seconded. All answered yes to roll call.

At 8:49 pm, Trustee Runion made a motion to enter executive session to discuss the employment of a public employee. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. Present in Executive Session: Trustees: Runion, Green, and Hammer. Fiscal Officer Kepus.

At 8:55 pm, the Trustees returned to regular session. No action was taken.

At 8:56 p.m., with no further business, Trustee Green moved for adjournment. Trustee Hammer seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code's Sunshine Law.