

The Board of Lake Township Trustees met in regular session at 4:00 p.m. at 12360 Market Avenue North, Hartville, Ohio. The meeting was open to the public with the following members present:

Jeremy Yoder, President  
Steve Miller, Vice President  
John Arnold, Member

Also Present:

Matt Erb

Jeremy Yoder called the regular meeting to order.

25-067 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder approving the minutes of the January 13, 2025 Regular meeting as submitted. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	abstain
John Arnold	yes

25-068 A resolution was made by Steve Miller approving the minutes of the January 27, 2025 Regular meeting as submitted. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	abstain
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

25-069 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing payment and processing of payroll for February 14, 2025. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

25-070 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder approving the Financial (Fund/Appropriation/Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as February 7, 2025 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

25-071 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of February 7, 2025 in the amount of \$49,724.88 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jermy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

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### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Community University Education (CUE) – information pertaining to additional salt allocations for CUE members
2. Ohio Edison/FirstEnergy – FirstEnergy Ohio files sixth electric security plan to support continued reliability investments and new customer programs
3. State Employment Relations Board – 2025 Health Insurance Survey submission
4. Concentra – FMCSA Clearinghouse webinar and the Return-to-Duty Process
5. Ohio EPA – complaint regarding 13487 Cleveland Avenue
6. Harry Westerman – seeking contact information for AT&T for fiber installation occurring in St. James neighborhood
7. Stark County Regional Planning – *Fair Housing Newsletter*; request for updated township contact information for 2025; copy of correspondence to Stark County Commissioners regarding Oldestone Crossing No. 2 Allotment
8. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly report of new contracts and amendments pertaining to State Cooperative Purchasing Program
9. Marlboro Supply – notice of February 28<sup>th</sup> open house
10. State Farm – information regarding December 30<sup>th</sup> 2024 date of loss
11. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – RPC Meeting Packet for February 4<sup>th</sup>
12. Judge Frank Forchione/Stop Heroin From Killing Committee – notice of 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Opiate Symposium on February 27<sup>th</sup>
13. Stark County Health Department – annual application for semi-public sewage system operation permit for Lake Township Park and Midway Service Garage
14. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly report of new contracts and amendments pertaining to State Cooperative Purchasing Program
15. CommQuest – request for suicide prevention information to be included in township mailer
16. Stark Council of Government – requesting information on 2025 Lake Township SCOG representative
17. Selective Insurance – notice of coverage changes with the upcoming renewal
18. United Site Services – notice of price adjustments
19. Amazon Business – information about their program

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

#### **Police Department**

- None

#### **Road Department**

- Trustee Arnold stated that we did not ask to have any salt allocated to us through the CUE program because our salt storage was full. Now that we are just past the halfway point we tried to purchase salt to replenish our storage from the CUE at \$48/ton. The

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CUE declined our request because they need to fulfill their commitments. We have found an alternate source. We will be making a CUE commitment for next season.

**Zoning Department**

- None

**Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office**

- None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

25-072 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing the Board to execute the following Cemetery Deeds:

- Woods Cemetery – Section South, Lot 404, Grave 1
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 92, Graves 3, 4 & 5
- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 86, Graves 3 & 4

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

25-073 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following Road Open Permits:

- D-25-02: Dominion Energy, 9770 White Pine Ave. (new long side service line)
- O-25-01: Underground Services – Lake Center Street (extend sewer lateral)

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

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- 25-074 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder accepting the resignation of Jeff Kiko from the Lake Township Zoning Commission effective January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

- 25-075 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder accepting the donation, from Sydney Brown and her brother, of a park bench to be placed along the township park walking trail in honor of their mother Pamela Brown. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

- Trustee Yoder noted that he has a meeting with Stark Parks in March to discuss the grant that they received to do the walking trail that will connect with Hartville Memorial Park. He will also be meeting with Forever Lawn to discuss the pickleball courts. This bench will be a nice little addition to that area.

- 25-076 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing the Lake Township Board of Trustees to enter into a 12-month contractual agreement with Dynegy to furnish electric aggregation services provided the final refreshed pricing rate as of February 10, 2025, does not exceed the following:

Ohio Edison territory -- \$9.50 cents/kWh  
AEP territory -- \$8.99 cents/kWh

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

- Fiscal Officer Erb spoke with Fritz Drake who is our third-party administrator for the electric aggregate. He noted that participants saved an average of approximately \$455 per year. He noted that these prices are locked in and is insurance against the projected increases. He noted you are always able to opt out. Trustee Miller asked if you have opted out in the past do you need to opt out again when we enter into a new agreement? Mr. Erb responded that depends on the contract you have with your current provider.

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- 25-077 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing the Board to execute the Ohio Department of Transportation 2024 annual Township Highway System Mileage Certification sheet indicating 142.616 miles of roadway. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

### **MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS**

- Trustee Miller met with the 2 potential contractors for our design build for the Road Department. Because the pricing is considerably more than we had originally budgeted for we asked for more quotes. That will be coming in during the next couple of weeks
- Trustee Arnold noted that he attended the Ohio Township Association Winter Conference along with the Fiscal Officer, Fiscal Administrator and Zoning Administrator. The Fiscal Officer noted that the classes are always beneficial.
- Trustee Arnold noted that we had a Disaster Planning meeting this morning. He really appreciates how well everyone works together in Lake Township.

### **FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

- 25-078 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

### **PUBLIC SPEAKS**

- None
- There will be no public speaks through the Facebook Live streaming; however, the Trustees still welcome your "public speaks" comments to be emailed to [info@laketwpstarkco.com](mailto:info@laketwpstarkco.com)

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25-079 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder to adjourn the meeting at 4:16 p.m. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes

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Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

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Jeremy Yoder, President

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Steve Miller, Vice President

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John Arnold, Member

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