

The Board of Lake Township Trustees met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. at 12360 Market Avenue North, Hartville, Ohio. The meeting was open to the public with the following members present:

Sue Grabowski, Vice President  
Jeremy Yoder, Member

Also Present:

Matt Erb	Sam Miller
Derek Shaffer	Mary Leonelli
Noelle Leonelli	Emily Erickson
Ava Doane	Kain Chaney
Steve Tharp	Nate Seacrest
Troy Seacrest	

Sue Grabowski called the regular meeting to order.

26-051 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski authorizing payment and processing of payroll for January 30, 2026. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-052 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski approving the Financial (Fund/Appropriation/ Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as January 26, 2026, reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-053 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of January 26, 2026 in the amount of \$142,840.76 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. CUE-COG – notice of salt delivery delays and notice to advise if entities need salt beyond their tonnage
2. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – new and amended State of Ohio Contracts
3. NEFCO – meeting packet for the January 21, 2026, *Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board*
4. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – Governmental Law Seminar invitation; updating contact information database; February 3, 2026, RPC meeting notice
5. Mike Kendall c/o GBC – Mogadore Avenue watermain extension
6. Jannette Esteves – question about donation of musical instrument

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7. Stark Soil & Water Conservation District – copies of correspondence regarding Oldestone Crossing Nos. 3 & 4 and Hartville Marketplace FISH Pantry
8. Angela Nelson – questions about emergency preparedness recommendations for community pool
9. Jim Maretens – yard waste/recycling hours
10. Seth Daniels – 3750 Carl Street concerns over truck parked on side of road with hood up
11. Brandi McCray – Comments regarding closing of Mogadore Avenue during construction project; Brittany Martina -- Comments regarding closing of Mogadore Avenue during construction project

In reference to Correspondence No. 11 – The Township is working with the developer to get this finished, there have been challenges locating the utilities.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

#### **Police Department**

- None

#### **Road Department**

- None

#### **Zoning Department**

- None

#### **Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office**

- None

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

26-054 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski authorizing the purchase of an additional 500 tons of rock salt through the Community University Education (CUE) Purchasing Association Regional Council of Governments for the 2025–2026 winter season, contingent upon availability from Cargill. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

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- The Board thanked the Road Department for all their hard work during this weather event.

26-055 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski accepting the **Lake Township Donated Sick Leave Policy** as presented by the Township Administrator and reviewed and approved by legal counsel. The Board further resolves to amend **ARTICLE VI-Policy** of the Lake Township Employee Handbook to include the same as accepted and adopted this day. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

26-056 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski accepting the resignation of Officer Brian Marinchek, with his last day of employment being February 22, 2026. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

- The Board wished him well in his new position.

26-057 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski authorizing an expenditure, pursuant to Article 20 of the FOP Contract, for 4 nights of lodging at a cost not to exceed \$120.00/night for Angela Molea to attend a 4-day instructor course (March 2<sup>nd</sup> – March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026) in London, OH at the Ohio Police Officers Training Academy. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

26-058 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski authorizing an expenditure of \$45.00 per person for the administrative staff, elected officials, road superintendent and zoning board members who would like to attend the 2026 Stark County Regional Planning Commission Annual Dinner/Meeting at *Tozzi's On 12<sup>th</sup>* on Wednesday, March 11, 2026. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

26-059 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski determining that certain township property is no longer needed by the township and further determining that the fair market value is greater than \$2,500.00.

Therefore, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.10 and Lake Township Resolution No. 10-158, the following property will be sold by internet auction on [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com) and will be sold "as is" to the highest bidder, subject to the provisions of the "Online Sales-Terms and Conditions" as listed on [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com):

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1. 2019 FORD EXPLORER UTILITY VEHICLE  
(UNIT NO. 9 / INVENTORY NO. UPD-610)

VIN 1FM5K8AR4KGB44099

**ENGINE:** 3.7 L, V-6 GAS

**SPECIFICATIONS:**

TRANSMISSION -- AUTOMATIC

MILEAGE – 100,585

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT: WHELEN POLICE LIGHTS, SIRENS, FRONT FULL  
BRUSH GUARD AND CAGE

**MINIMUM BID:** \$5,000.00

2. 2019 FORD EXPLORER UTILITY VEHICLE  
(UNIT NO. 8 / INVENTORY NO. UPD-609)

VIN 1FM5K8AR2KGB44098

**ENGINE:** 3.7 L, V-6 GAS

**SPECIFICATIONS:**

TRANSMISSION -- AUTOMATIC

MILEAGE – 101,649

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT: WHELEN POLICE LIGHTS, SIRENS, FRONT FULL  
BRUSH GUARD AND CAGE

**MINIMUM BID:** \$5,000.00

Auction will commence Friday, February 20, 2026, and run for a period of 11 days.

The minimum bid amount will be accepted, and the listings will include the option of extending a "second chance" offer if needed.

The Board will sell said item in compliance with all provisions of Ohio Revised Code Sections 102 and 2921.

A Bill of Sale will be issued to the winning bidder, and a copy shall be kept on file.

Notice will be published in the Hartville News the week of February 5, 2026. Items will remain out of service until sold. Items will be on display, Monday through Friday, for public inspection at the Uniontown Police Department, 1635 Edison

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Street NW, Uniontown, Ohio 44685, from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. For further information, please call (330) 699-6444 or (330) 877-9479.

Notice will also be published on the Lake Township internet website at [www.laketwpstarkco.com](http://www.laketwpstarkco.com), click on the “News” tab to access this notice.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

26-060 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski accepting the Cintas *First Aid & Safety Cooperative Acceptance Agreement* and authorizing an expenditure, for the Police Department, for monthly services associated with the rental and maintenance of three (3) ZOLL AED 3 automated external defibrillators and one (1) “Standard First Aid Bundle” as detailed in said agreement.

The Board further finds that certain equipment is no longer needed or is no longer suitable for its intended purpose. Therefore, in accordance with ORC 505.10, the Board authorizes the trade-in of the following item to receive a \$400 credit toward our contract lease:

- Physio Control Lifepak Defibrillator

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

26-061 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski authorizing the Board to execute the Ohio Department of Transportation 2025 annual Township Highway System Mileage Certification sheet indicating 142.737 miles of roadway. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

26-062 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski authorizing the Board to execute a 1-year renewal of the *Independent Contractor Agreement* with Michael Wells dba Wells Quality Excavating for services performed at the Township cemeteries. The Board approves the following changes in the renewal agreement pursuant to the January 22, 2026, notice received from Wells Quality Excavating:

- Increase of \$50 open/close for full burials
- Increase of \$50 open/close for weekends and after 3 p.m.
- Increase of \$0.05/sq. in. for foundations

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

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**MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS**

- Trustee Yoder reported he has had conversations regarding getting the language settled in the Quail Hollow Connector contract, still working on potentially something at the Midway property.
- Trustee Grabowski attended a Uniontown Lions Club meeting and learned more about what they are working on with their eye glass program.

**FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

26-063 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

**PUBLIC SPEAKS**

Steve Tharp, 5125 Quail Hill St NW, N. Canton; Mr. Tharp introduced himself to the Board and residents as a candidate for State Central Committee on the May 5<sup>th</sup> in the Republican Primary. He is trying to bring a local feel to statewide politics.

Noelle Leonelli, 12355 Waterfall Ave., Uniontown; Ms. Leonelli is a student at Lake High School and attended the meeting as a requirement of the Ohio Township Association Scholarship Application. She plans to study education at Mt. Union or Kent State University.

Troy Seacrist, 3333 Ramsgate St NW, N. Canton; Mr. Seacrist attended the meeting as a requirement of the Ohio Township Association scholarship application. He is planning to attend Miami University for actuarial science.

Kain Chaney, 8595 Market Ave., Canton; Mr. Chaney plans to study HVAC as an apprentice.

Emily Erickson, 11355 Billingham Ave, Uniontown; Ms. Erickson is a student at Lake High School and plans to study nursing or biology at Bowling Green or Ohio University.

Ava Doane, 12374 Waterfall Ave, Uniontown; Ms. Doane is a student at Lake High School and plans to study speech pathology at Bowling Green University.

- 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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26-064 A resolution was made by Sue Grabowski adjourning the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Sue Grabowski    yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

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Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

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John Arnold, President

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Sue Grabowski, Vice President

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Jeremy Yoder, Member

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