

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:

John Arnold, President
Sue Grabowski, Vice President
Jeremy Yoder, Member

Also Present:

Matt Erb
Alyssa Plakas

Ralph Van Horn

Trustee Arnold opened the regular meeting.

26-286 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the minutes for the July 27, 2026, Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Sue Grabowski. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Sue Grabowski yes
Jeremy Yoder yes

26-287 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for August 14, 2026. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Sue Grabowski yes
Jeremy Yoder yes

26-288 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the Financial (Fund/Appropriation/Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as August 10, 2026, reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Sue Grabowski. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Sue Grabowski yes
Jeremy Yoder yes

26-289 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of August 10, 2026 in the amount of \$1,454,573.72, reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Sue Grabowski yes
Jeremy Yoder yes

- Trustee Arnold noted this included a payment to Northstar Asphalt in the amount of \$1,332.87.12 for the 2026 Paving Program.

Alyssa Plakas, North Canton Soccer Club: Ms. Plakas introduced herself as the Director of Development for the North Canton Soccer Club. They are a 501c3 serving North Canton City School students some of which reside in Lake Township. They have 335 kids registered for this fall, the largest group ever. She presented their site-plan for the Midway property. It shows 10 soccer fields serving ages 18 and under, there will also be 2 parking areas. Trustee Arnold said he liked the changes they made and feels it will serve them better. Trustee Grabowski stated she is good with the plans and they addressed the concerns that she had. Trustee Yoder summarized that it is about 20 acres out of the 35-40 acres, preserving space to the west and in the north-east corner. He also shared that about half of North Canton School's students are from Lake Township. As we move forward he would like to see open access to all students in Lake Township.

26-290 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the August 3, 2026, Preliminary Plans presented by the North Canton Soccer Club for the proposed improvements to the property located at 1499 Midway Street and authorizing the submission of said plans to the Stark County Regional Planning Commission for review and approval. Said Preliminary Plans shall be attached to and made a part of the original Minutes of the meeting. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Sean Murphy – Inquiry regarding available natural gas and electric aggregation programs.
2. Daniel Hanchey – Inquiry concerning utility locate flags along Lake Center Street.
3. Earl Krebs – Request for information regarding the Trustees' position on the installation and development of solar energy facilities within Lake Township.
4. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – August 4, 2026 Meeting Packet.
5. Community University Education Council of Governments – August 12, 2026 Meeting Packet.
6. Justin, c/o Star Bridge Public Insight – Follow-up correspondence regarding a previously submitted public records request.
7. Summit Safety Services – Information regarding safety and training services offered by the company.
8. Jim McGlone – Correspondence expressing appreciation to the Road Department for ditch improvements completed on Starlight Circle.
9. Julie Lauper – Inquiry regarding regulations pertaining to the burning of wood within Lake Township.
10. Omni Fiber – Notice of service pursuant to Video Service Authorization No. 2022-VSA-0102.
11. State Employment Relations Board – 2026 Health Insurance Report.
12. Ohio Edison – Confirmation of a change in electric supplier for various Township accounts.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department

- None

Road Department

- Trustee Arnold noted that we received a sign grant, if the cost exceeds \$50,000 they will still cover the expenses. They thanked the Assistant Road Superintendent, Chris McNally, for the work he did on this.

Zoning Department

- None

Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- 26-291 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the August 7, 2026, Proposal and Agreement from Waste Management of Ohio, Inc. for the provision of a 4-yard dumpster for the Police Department, located at 1635 Edison Street NW, Uniontown, at a monthly fee of \$85.88, plus administrative fees, for a total monthly cost of \$94.38, for a three-year term commencing September 1, 2026. Seconded by Sue Grabowski. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

NEW BUSINESS:

- 26-292 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following Road Open Permits:
- O-26-11: Addison Properties – Lake Center Street (waterline extension)
 - O-26-12: Addison Properties – Lake Center Street (sanitary extension)

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-293 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Fiscal Officer to release the bond for the following Road Open Permit:

- D-25-29: H M Miller for work performed at 11540 Basswood Ave. NW

Seconded by Sue Grabowski. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-294 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board to execute the following cemetery deeds:

- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 60, Grave 3
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 88, Grave 1
- Woods Cemetery – Section South, Lot 539, Grave 1

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-295 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the quote submitted by Southeastern Equipment Company, dated July 20, 2026, and authorizing an expenditure in the amount of \$37,306.00 for the purchase of a new 12-ton Eager Beaver trailer for use by the Road Department, as more fully described in said quote. Seconded by Sue Grabowski. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-296 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the proposal submitted by Coon Restoration & Sealants, Inc. dated August 7, 2026, and authorizing an expenditure in the amount of \$7,296.00 for the Road Department for the labor, materials, and equipment necessary to repair and replace caulking at the Road Department Service Garage as detailed in said Proposal. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-297 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting Change Order No. 26-223 pursuant to information received from NorthStar Asphalt, Inc., in the amount of \$17,480.00 for additional milling, asphalt materials, and labor necessary to address unstable pavement conditions and roadway base deficiencies on certain Township streets, as more fully described therein. Seconded by Sue Grabowski. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-298 A resolution was made by John Arnold acknowledging receipt of verbal notice from Guido Chiancone that he has accepted alternative employment and, therefore, will not be assuming the position for which he was hired pursuant to Resolution No. 26-277. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

26-299 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Lake Township Trustees desires to maintain an adequate pool of qualified personnel to assist the Lake Township Road Department with road maintenance, snow and ice removal, and other duties as needed; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Lake Township Trustees desires to solicit applications for part-time/auxiliary Road Department Laborer/Operator positions; and

WHEREAS, applicants for the position shall be required to possess a valid Commercial Driver's License (CDL) and meet all other qualifications established by the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Lake Township Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, that the Township Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to solicit applications for part-time/auxiliary Road Department Laborer/Operator positions, including publication of a notice in the Hartville News and/or other appropriate means of advertisement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that applicants shall be required to possess a valid Commercial Driver's License (CDL) and satisfy such other qualifications and requirements as may be established by the Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Administrator and Road Superintendent are authorized to review applications and make recommendations to the Board of Lake Township Trustees for consideration of qualified applicants.

Seconded by Sue Grabowski. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- None

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

26-300 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

PUBLIC SPEAKS

Richard Beck, 13697 Nutmeg Cir.; Mr. Beck thanked the Board for doing things well at a local level. He would like to see a high voltage charging station in the township.

- 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

26-301 A resolution was made by John Arnold adjourning the meeting at 5:18 p.m.. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Sue Grabowski	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

John Arnold, President

Sue Grabowski, Vice President

Jeremy Yoder, Member
