June 10, 2025 Regular Meeting

Bethel Township Trustees 3333 Lake Road 7:00 p.m.

Welcome, pledge and prayer: Led by Trustees Chris Crowley and Nancy Brown at 7:03pm

In Attendance: Trustees Chris Crowley and Nancy Brown, Fiscal Officer Stacey McKenzie, Administrator Rhonda Ledford, Fire Chief Jim Snyder, Road Supervisor Bryan Stastny. (Absent was Trustee Alec Ashbaugh)

Announcements: There will be a road levy committee meeting on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Citizens Comments related to the agenda: None

Trustee Brown moved to accept the agenda. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley moved to pay the bills, check numbers 68812 through 68987, and AHC deductions 800-2025 through 884-2025 in the amount of \$78,744.89. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Brown motioned to dispense with the reading and accept the minutes from May 27, 2025. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Administration:

Internet and Wi-fi for the Bethel Township Community Center: Metronet's quote is \$120.00 a month for minimum options. Spectrum is \$277.99 a month for more options.
Trustee Brown motioned to approve Metronet for the installation of internet and Wi-fi in the Bethel Township Community Center, in the amount of \$120.00 a month. (The United Senior Services has agreed to contribute \$40.00 a month for this service.) Seconded by Trustee Crowley.
Road:
Nothing noted.
Police:
Nothing noted.
Fire:
Nothing Noted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Administration:

Trustee Crowley motioned to move \$10,000.00 from line item #2081-210-420-0000 (Police – Operating Supplies) to line item #2081-210-190-0000 (Police – Other Salaries). This is due to trustees distributing a portion of their salaries into different funds. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley motioned to declare the following properties a nuisance and to be abated through Clark County. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C; All ayes.

- 1. 52 W. Birch (0100500025318008) Debris in yard, destroyed motor home on property
- 2. 466 E. Carpenter (0100500031401004) Disabled vehicles in yard, debris, tall grass
- 3. 436 E. Carpenter (0100500031401003) Disabled semi-truck and other vehicle in yard
- 4. 169 Shepard (0100500031410033) Four disabled vehicles in yard
- 5. 320 Pine (0100500025110023) Debris, disabled vehicle, shipping container in yard
- 6. 1617 Lincoln (0100500025105015) Disabled motor home, furniture, debris in yard
- 7. 874 Aspen (01005000025332025) Disabled vehicles, one on jacks
- 8. 909 Corvette (0100500025332013) Extensive number of tires and debris in yard
- 9. 200 S. Park (01005000025307031) Vacant residence in disrepair, tall grass

Police:

Stats for May 2025 for both deputies:

CALLS: 78 ASSISTS: 23 REPORTS: 14 TRAFFIC STOPS: 31 CITATIONS: 4

WARNINGS: 27 ARRESTS: 32 FOLLOW-UPS: 3 TRAFFIC CRASHES: 3

STOLEN VEHICLES: 0

Administrator Ledford asked if the amount of illegal drugs confiscated by the Township Deputies could be recorded as they have been aggressively and regularly removing large amounts of drugs from the community, and that is not reflected in their monthly statistics. Trustee Crowley suggested asking the Deputies, as the information provided is from the Clark County Sheriff's Office Desk Sargent who may not have that information.

Fire:

Fire Stats for February:

TOTAL CALLS: 181 MEDICAL: 104 MVA: 17 FIRES: 12 GOOD INTENT: 48

Trustee Crowley motioned to reimburse Veronica Fox for \$1,228.82 for her FFII classes through Clark State University. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Brown motioned to reimburse Paige Printz for \$2,397.73 for classes, books, labs and fees for Sinclair Community College. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Road:

In his absence, Trustee Ashbaugh had requested that a special session be scheduled for next week to discuss and vote on the purchase of crack seal. Road Supervisor Bryan Stastny said that he had requested two quotes but had not received them.

Special & Work Sessions:

Trustee Crowley moved to set a work / special work session on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 6:30pm. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes. Discussion will be the purchase of crack seal and additional nuisance properties.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Residents of Wilts Lane inquired about the paving of their road. Trustee Crowley explained that the paving of Wilts Lane had been approved but was scheduled by the Clark County Engineer. Residents then wanted to ensure that the road would be paved to its original width. Trustee Crowley again deferred that request to the Engineer, and explained that the Township does not control that, nor the schedule of construction.

Residents of Wilts Lane questioned the unsightly properties at the corner of Osborn and Lower Valley Road, and Woodbury and Lower Valley Road. Administrator Ledford said that the Body Shop at Osborn and Lower Valley had been previously reported, but that she had received no assistance from Clark County. Another resident stated that the owners of that business often assisted elderly women from his church with auto repair at no, or low cost.

Mr. Darling provided a TAYSA update. He stated that they are in the process of obtaining a formal quote from Evans about the gravel and sod. Mr. Darling presented the Trustees with a contract beginning in June. He stated that they have liability insurance lined up but are waiting for an attendance roster. TAYSA is hoping to have everything ready for next season. They are also hoping for Rumpke to assist with the cost. Trustee Crowley reminded everyone that the cameras at Raynor Park have not yet been installed.

Trustee Brown motioned to approve TAYSA the use of a storage garage at Raynor Park to store their equipment. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Resident Don Wallace discussed the pay level of township employees and compared the road levy to the recent school levy. Mr. Wallace suggested more leadership from the Trustees to provide information to the public.

Trustee Crowley moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 pm. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

Nancy K. Brown, Chairperson

Absent Alec Ashbaugh, Vice Chairperson

Chris Crowley, Member

Stacey L. MsKenzie, Fiscal Officer

Minutes taken and transcribed by Fiscal Officer Stacey McKenzie.