

Bethel Township Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2026 @ 6:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 6:05

Welcome & Pledge: Led by Trustee Ashbaugh

Attendance: Trustee Ashbaugh, Trustee Berner, & Trustee Coppess, Chief Snyder, Road Supervisor Bryan Stastny, Fiscal Officer Christina Riggs & Administrator Rhonda Ledford

Announcements: The National Night Out Against Crime was a success. We have already had vendors call us and book for next year!

Citizens' comments related to the agenda:

At this time, we kindly request that all comments be held until the citizens' comment time at the end of our meeting.

Trustee Coppess makes a motion to accept the agenda. Second by Trustee Berner. R/C: All ayes

Trustee Ashbaugh makes a motion to pay the bills, check numbers 69847 through 69852, and ACH deductions 1210-2026 through 1280-2026 for a total of \$117,970.48.

Second by Trustee Berner. R/C: All ayes

Trustee Berner makes a motion to dispense with the reading and accept the minutes from the July 28, 2026, and August 10, 2026, meetings. Second by Trustee Coppess. R/C: All ayes

OLD BUSINESS:

Administration: The water is fixed at the Bethel Township Community Center. The women's restroom and kitchen sink need new aerators.

Road: Any information on the OPWC? *None at this time.*

Police:

Fire:

NEW BUSINESS:

Hiring: Trustee Ashbaugh makes a motion to hire Tesa Berner as a trainee at \$ 11.60/hour to the Bethel Township Fire Department. Second by Trustee Berner. R/C: All ayes **Welcome Tesa!**

Trustee Ashbaugh makes a motion to promote Angela Vermillion to the Bethel Township Road Department as a full time employee. Her wage will be \$21.00 per hour, and the full-time starting date will be June 27, 2026. Second by Trustee Berner. R/C: All ayes

Administration:

Police: Stats for July 2026, both deputies

Calls: 135 Assists: 34 Reports: 23 Traffic Stops: 26 Citations: 3 Warnings: 23
Arrests: 14 Twp. Follow-ups: 2 Traffic Crashes: 3 Stolen Cars: 0

Fire: Jim

July Stats: EMS 138; MVA 14; Fire Call 21; Good Intent 4. Monthly total 177 YTD 1364.

Road: Trustee Coppess makes a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Clark County Building & Grounds Dept. for the repair of the Bethel Township vehicles. This MOU will be effective from September 1, 2026, to August 31, 2028.
Second by Trustee Ashbaugh. R/C: All ayes

Trustee Coppess makes a motion to accept the bid from Buck's Tree Service for the removal of a mulberry tree located in the right-of-way at 1103 Whaley Rd. The bid is \$3,000.00, Seconded by Trustee Berner. R/C: All ayes

Special & Work Sessions:

Trustee Ashbaugh moves to set a work session on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at 6:00 pm. Second by Trustee Berner. R/C: All ayes

Discussions will be as follows: TBA

Citizens' Comments:

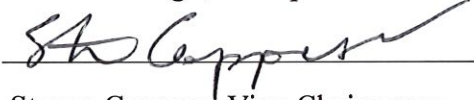
Ms. Alexander would like to speak about the Pure Glam project on Medway-Carlisle Rd. (Did not attend the meeting)

Mr. Hughes on Ravenwood to speak about the culvert. Mr. Hughes stated that he has lived on Ravenwood for a long time. The township or county came out and dipped the culvert, and now his basement flooded. Trustee Berner said they met with the Clark County Engineer Dept. Bob McClure at the site and are waiting for a quote to fix this problem

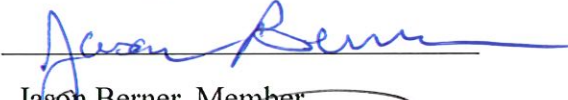
Trustee Ashbaugh moved to adjourn the meeting @ 7:05 pm. Second by Trustee Coppess.
R/C: All ayes



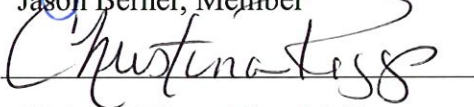
Alec Ashbaugh, Chairperson



Steven Coppess, Vice-Chairperson



Jason Berner, Member



Christina Riggs, Fiscal Officer

Roll call & minutes were taken & transcribed by administrator Rhonda Ledford

