

August 26, 2025, Regular Meeting
Bethel Township Trustees
3333 Lake Road
7:00 p.m.

Welcome, pledge and prayer: Led by Trustee Alec Ashbaugh at 7:05pm

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

Announcements:

Public Hearing Notice: The Board of Clark County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing to designate a proposed restricted area for all large wind farms, large solar farms or economically significant wind farm facility development as described in Substitute Senate Bill 52 of the 134th General Assembly on September 3, 2025 at 6:00pm at the Arts & Crafts Building, Clark County fairgrounds, 4401 S. Charleston Pike, Springfield, OH 45505.

Join us for a “Meet the Candidate” night on September 11, 2025 and October 23, 2025 at the Bethel Township Community Center, located at 11200 Gerlaugh Rd., Medway. The event will start at 7:00pm and is open to the public. This is a great opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the candidate who seek to make important decisions for Bethel Township, Clark County.

Citizens Comments related to the agenda: None

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

Trustee Brown moved to pay the bills, check numbers 69189 through 69232, and AHC deductions 1189-2025 through 1256-2025 in the amount of \$143,179.78. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Trustee Crowley moved to dispense with the reading and accept the minutes from the August 12, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Administration:

Nothing noted.

Road:

Nothing noted.

Police:

Nothing noted.

Fire:

Nothing noted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Administration:

Trustee Brown motioned to pass resolution #25-08-26-01 to levy special assessment to pay for lighting districts within Bethel Township: Medway - \$21.00 per parcel, Park Layne – \$10.50 per parcel, Dale ridge - \$36.00 per parcel, Oakridge - \$94.50 per parcel. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.

Police:

Fire:

Trustee Crowley motioned to hire Josh Ringo to the Bethel Township Fire Department as a FFII / EMT-B starting at \$18.25 per hour. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes.
Mr. Ringo was sworn in by Trustee Ashbaugh.

Road:

Trustee Crowley motioned to accept quote received by Trustee Ashbaugh from Bucks Tree Service in the amount of \$7500.00 to clear low hanging limbs on Woodbury, after several complaints. Seconded by Trustee Brown. R/C: All ayes. Fiscal Officer McKenzie said that the funds could be paid from gas tax fund if the limbs were affecting drivers.

Heath Jones mentioned that he had received a nuisance complaint from a resident regarding 11571 Wilt Ln., Parcell # 0101000036402010, which is partially occupied, but had very tall grass and shrubs.

Special & Work Sessions:

Trustee Ashbaugh moved to set a work / special session on September 9, 2025 at 6:00pm before the regular meeting. Seconded by Trustee Crowley. R/C: All ayes.
Discussion will be as follows: Discussion of HB-96. The Ohio Municipal League will be releasing a template to add to our Policy and Procedure records. Rhonda has spoken with Jason from the Bridge Group about the cybersecurity portion.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:


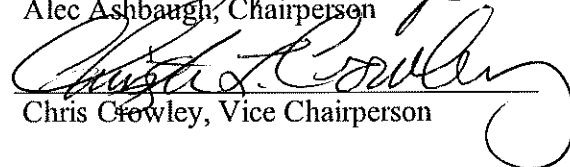
Steve Connor, of the Road Levy Committee discussed the basic facts that need to be present on printed educational material and the website pertaining to the levy. Mr. Connor requested

finalized and approved information in hopes of having material available to present at the first home football game. Trustee Ashbaugh suggested mentioning things that cannot be done without a passage of levy.

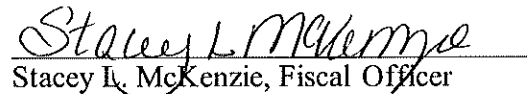
A resident asked, "How did you pay for roads before the levy?" Trustee Crowley explained that the State of Ohio had taken local funds from townships throughout the state, placing additional burden on the townships."

Trustee Brown stated that "Rhonda (Ledford) will have information on the website and social media by the end of the week."

Trustee Ashbaugh moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm. Seconded by Trustee Crowley.
R/C: All ayes.


Alec Ashbaugh, Chairperson

Chris Crowley, Vice Chairperson

Nancy Brown, Member


Stacey L. McKenzie, Fiscal Officer

Minutes taken and transcribed by Fiscal Officer Stacey McKenzie.

