

Regular Meeting of the Scioto Township Trustees: Thursday, September 17, 2026 @ 7:00 P.M. at the Scioto Township Service Center.

Trustees Present: Chair Jahn, Wolfe, Wasmus

Wasmus led the Pledge of Allegiance

There was a brief moment of silence.

The board discussed the August 20th Regular minutes. Wolfe discussed the revisions to the minutes and discussing running the township as a business. Wasmus discussed the official minutes as being a history book of the Township and the Trustees looking at the minutes for their statements. Wolfe watched the You Tube video and wanted to rewatch the You tube video and check the revisions before approving the minutes. Wolfe said he is not at the meeting for content. Jahn moved to approve the minutes from the August 20th Regular meeting. Wasmus seconded the motion. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-no. Wolfe asked for more time to review. Wasmus allowed for time and did not vote.

August 27th and September 3rd. Wolfe asked for more time and assured the board that he will have his revisions in 2 weeks.

Jahn moved to pay the bills. Wolfe seconded the motion. Vote: All yes. Motion Carries.

OPEN SESSION:

Jahn called Mark Miller. Mark Miller would like to follow Jennifer Starchler. Jennifer Starchler spoke on Res. 25-086 changing zoning from Ag to Special Use of a Wedding Venue. She spoke on noise issues and played a video for the Trustees. She told the board that the property is becoming a nuisance. The neighbors called the fire department about concerns for occupancy limits. The Sheriffs office has also been called and they were told Scioto Township has no noise ordinance and the zoning dept. has no one working on Saturday evening, so there is no one to call. The neighbors also have concerns of impaired drivers. Starchler asked the board how the issue would be addressed.

Mark Miller also a neighbor of the wedding venue asked why the zoning violations are being ignored. Miller stated that he and other neighbors have made complaints. Miller read from 23.06 performance standards of the Scioto Township zoning resolution. Miller told the board that he can keep the beat of the music from the sound through the fireplace. Miller asked the board why a non-permitted use is allowed to go on at the property and read 23.01 of the zoning code. Miller also read the property owners zoning application and no B & B is listed on the application. Miller also read the property will have private noise restrictions, and will have no impact on neighboring properties. Miller further read from 23.06 A, B, E on noise and lighting. He spoke on the development plan and alterations can not be made once approved. Miller asked the trustees how they can enforce the zoning code when they pick and choose what they enforce.

Dan Brown spoke to the board about engine brake signage. Brown told the board the regulations on trucks have gotten lax. Brown told the board that the trucks rattle his windows.

Wendy Sizemore spoke to the board about her quotes being taken in partial context. Sizemore also spoke to the board about the control of land through taxation. Sizemore spoke on the habitat for humanity documents adopted in 1976. Sizemore spoke on the public ownership of land especially close to urban area. Sizemore spoke to the board about Agenda 21 and the bio-diversity treaty. Sizemore told the board that one of the largest obstacles to implementing these documents was Americans giving up their private property rights.

Ricky Baldwin spoke to board about the bickering during meetings and meeting decorum. Baldwin said there are people asking questions and are not getting answers. He asked what is being done about the Data Center moratorium. He said people want answers. Baldwin spoke on the township using Brandon Hill's services and what he would bring to the township. He would like to see progress instead of the bickering.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES-

Assistant Chief Bennett informed the board that 2 firefighters attended a training in Murphysboro Tennessee sponsored by the Gary Sinese Foundation. During the training the dept. was donated a \$5,000.00 thermal imaging camera to be used in a fire or accident in searching for victims. Bennett informed the board the dept. is rolling through the CAD system and rolling all non-data devices into First net portal, this will increase service and security.

Bennett told the trustees that Nickolas Maxwell, Garrett Beauchamp, Ashlyn Johnson and Samuel Fabbro were being removed from the roster due to not fulfilling their hours requirement. The dept. has been busy and Bennett mentioned a fatal accident. Bennett asked the board for a resolution appointing Jared Bobo to the open full-time position pending his passing his physical. Resolution 26-146: Jahn moved to appoint Jared Bobo to the open full-time position pending passing his physical. Wolfe seconded the motion. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motions Carries. Adam Trisler will be moved to fill Bobo's spot.

Resolution 26-147: Jahn moved to remove Max Nicklaus, Garrett Beaucham, Ashlyn Johnson and Sam Fabbro from the part-time roster. Wasmus seconded the motion. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Zoning- Zoning Inspector Schulz reported a zoning commission meeting Sept. 8th. They are working on wording before bringing to the Trustees. Schulz reported 5 permits for accessory structures and 2 permits for new homes since the last meeting.

Jahn asked Schulz about their progress on the projects of the moratorium and the zoning code. Schulz thought someone from the zoning commission would be in attendance to discuss. Wolfe received a call from Jacob Gordon that they would be attending the next meeting. Wasmus told the board that the Trustees are taking over the data center moratorium to take it off of their plate.

Roads- Wasmus read the road report from Paul Hudson. Hudson reported trimming trees in Orient for sight distance, arm mowing along several township roads, cleaning ditches from storm damage, installing signs. They also removed the parking blocks on McCord Road and repaired the curves, did culvert repair and installation. In the shop they did equipment repair and maintenance and mowed township property.

Wasmus told the board it looks very nice where the road crew repaired the tile on Gibson Road. Wolfe received a call from a resident on Hiner Road that has a drainage issue and the road crew is doing a fantastic job.

Jahn received a call about a downed tree on Lane Road and a visibility issue at Commercial Point and Graham Road's and Burgett and Matville Roads. The road crew took the arm mover to Commercial Point and Graham to trim the trees.

The board discussed the intersection of Lane and Welch Road for visibility issues. Wolfe will contact the property owners.

Ricky Baldwin addressed the board concerning the moratorium. Baldwin discussed Wasmus comments concerning the zoning commission only having 1 meeting a month at a previous meeting. Baldwin asked if the board had taken action on Wasmus comments to only have 1

meeting a month. Wolfe said it had never been voted on. Wasmus discussed the Zoning Commission focusing on the Zoning book. Jahn said he does not remember asking the Zoning Commission not to work on the moratorium. Wolfe suggested having a special meeting with Griggs and Mattei to discuss the moratorium.

Cemetery- Wolfe reported 2 burials and 6 foundation pours.

Webmaster- Jahn read a report from Webmaster Kim Britt concerning the mosquito spraying. Wasmus discussed items posted to the Township Facebook page need to be approved by the Trustees without exception, and needing a majority vote. Wasmus discussed Britts job as being administrative and his facebook posting was never about public notice but official township communications need to follow board approved procedures and provide residents with complete and accurate information. Jahn read the report on mosquito spraying that will be kept with the official minutes. Jahn had no concern about the posting. Jahn said the facebook page was voted on by the Trustees to be for official business and the mosquito spraying was official business. Wasmus discussed the mosquito spraying as being a healthy thing and official notices coming through the Trustees. Wolfe discussed the posting by Wasmus on his facebook page. Nancy Geiger, Mayor of Commercial Point told the board that Kim Britt has only the best interest of the community at heart and no hidden agenda.

Sheriff-None

OLD BUSINESS: Braking Restrictions: Wolfe said he is 100% for the restrictions. Jahn asked if Wolfe has spoken to prosecutors office on correct procedure. Wolfe discussed board must pass a resolution and allow engine braking signs, then counsel will direct. Wolfe said the Sheriff's office will enforce.

Resolution 26-148: Jahn moved to create engine brake restrictions on the area of State Route 104 and State Route 762 addresses will be needed. Wolfe will get the list to the Trustees. John Murphy discussed the procedure for placing the sign. Mayor Geiger told the board how the village proceeded with the signs. Wolfe told the group that the Township will work with the prosecutors office. Wasmus seconded the motion. Wasmus said he brought this topic to the board and he has had multiple people approach him in support of this safety concern. Wasmus discussed the problem is the truck exhaust. Wasmus located AG opinion 99-050 which reads a board of Trustees may enact a regulation prohibiting engine noise within the un-incorporated areas of the Township. When Wasmus first started this topic he had several residents oppose this regulation. Wasmus discussed having loud exhaust signage, but he will go along with the board on their decision. Wolfe told the board that he has his CDL and has driven a truck and no person in the village has ever been ticketed for exhaust braking, that it is a deterrent. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Comp Plan Survey- Deadline is October 2nd.

Resolution 26-149: Wasmus moved to explore if loud exhaust signs are a possibility as an alternative to cutting off jake brakes. No second. The board asked Wasmus to explore and bring back.

Burgett Road RFQ's- Wasmus sent information to Griggs. Wasmus gave draft to Trustees last meeting. Wasmus read email he sent to Griggs. Refer to youtube video 1 hour 19 minutes.

Abandoned Alleys- Per Wolfe Griggs is still working on description of addresses. Wolfe will have something at the next meeting.

Smart Growth Grant- Wasmus has prepared a formal resolution for the board. Jahn read the Resolution. Board is asking for 50% of the cost of the Comp Plan and the work on the Zoning Code. \$28,250.00.

Resolution 26-150: Jahn moved to approve the application for the Smart Growth Grant to the Pickaway County Community Foundation. Wolfe seconded the motion. Vote; Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Denton Slonaker Pay rate: Questions regarding pay rate. Wolfes motion was for Slonakers pay rate was \$24.00, but his starting rate was \$24.50. Resolution 26-151: Jahn moved Denton Slonaker's pay rate is \$24.50/hour. Wasmus seconded the motion. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Resolution 26-152: Jahn moved to pay Paul Hudson a bonus of \$800.00 to take care of money owed to him by the Township and for doing a good job. Wasmus seconded the motion. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 26-153: Re-Allocation \$15,000.00 from Contracted Servies to Accounting and Legal in General. Motion by Wasmus. Seconded by Jahn. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Resolution 26-154: Re-Allocation \$1,500.00 from Engineering Services to Other-Dues and Fees in Road and Bridge. Motion by Jahn. Second by Wasmus. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Mosquito Control-Wasmus is meeting with Boggs Pest Control. Wolfe met with the driver to show areas. The Trustees discussed the areas to be fogged. (1) Southern Point (2) former village of Orient (3) Split Rock area (4) Jahn suggested Gibson from West Ford to 316 and West Ford from Commercial Point Road to the tree line.

The board discussed Split Rock Court and Thraikill from 762 to Scioto Darby and Scioto Darby from entrance of the golf course to Thraikill Road. The whole former village of Orient (5) Willow Brook Subdivision.

MVR Reporting- OTARMA is offering a free service to identify problem employee drivers in the township.

Resolution 26-155: Jahn moved to authorize F.O. Brill to sign the township up for the free MVR Service through OTARMA. Wasmus seconded the motion. Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Meeting dates- Change meeting date from October 15th to October 14th due to a scheduling conflict. Resolution 26-156: Jahn moved to change the October 15th meeting date to October 14th. Wasmus seconded the motion. Vote: All Yes. Motion Carries. Britt will post.

The Board discussed the regular meeting dates on November 26th which is Thanksgiving, and December 24th. Resolution 26-157: After discussion Jahn moved to move the meeting on November 26th to Monday, November 30th and the meeting on December 24th to Monday, December 28th. This meeting will also be used as the end of the year meeting. Wolfe seconded the motion. Vote: All Yes. Motion Carries. Dion Williams has a scheduling issue with the meetings on Monday, but one of the Trustees will work with him on the livestream.

Brill told the Board that he composes the minutes and he does not mind doing the revisions as long as he receives them in time for the meeting. He fears a set of minutes will go unsigned by the board due to delays. He told the board these are Trustee minutes. Jahn said Brill sends draft minutes out in plenty of time and revisions shall be sent to the Fiscal Officer by Tuesday at noon prior to the meeting. Resolution 26-158: Jahn moved that the minute revisions shall be sent to the Fiscal Officer no later than Tuesday at noon before the meetings. Wolfe seconded the motion. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries.

Wasmus said Brill is giving a skeleton minutes. Jahn told the board that there are condensed minutes that can be adopted. Brill discussed an approval minute Template that he has located that removes most discussion items. Brill does not know which discussion items from the Trustees that need to be included that is why he sends out the draft minutes. Jahn told the board that the township now has a YouTube recording that will stay with the official minutes. Wasmus said the retention schedule must be followed and the retention schedule is 5 years. Resolution 26-159: Jahn moved that the retention schedule be changed so that the YouTube video recordings be retained permanently to be kept with the official minutes. Wolfe seconded the motion. Vote: Jahn-yes, Wolfe-yes, Wasmus-yes. Motion Carries

The external storage will be increased to store the videos.

Wasmus discussed the draft minutes. He has comments that he would like to include in the minutes. Jahn stated that there is no need to revise minutes due to the videos being attached. Wasmus said written minutes are legal documents. Wolfe discussed minutes being self serving and revisions stated Sizemore called Wolfe a homosexual. That Brill did not put this in the draft but Wasmus wanted to include this. Wasmus answered when people disrespect one of his co-workers that should be in their permanent record also.

With no other business to come before the board Jahn moved to Adjourn. Wolfe seconded the motion. Vote: All Yes. Meeting Adjourned