

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING HELD

Thursday, March 5, 2026 at 7:30 pm

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Steve Swank. All members were present, also present were Fiscal Officer, Annette Depue, Road Superintendent, Andy Romoser, Chief Dave Compton and Zoning Inspector, Brett Pauley. Mr. Yoder made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes, pay the bills, approve Purchase Orders, & approve reallocations as presented, Mr. Hurlow seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Al Kutcher of 1300 Woodville Road attended the meeting and also wanted to report a large pothole that has formed on Woodville Road just east of his driveway. He would like the Road Department to add it to their list.

Mrs. Stacy Wells of 1947 Bellwood attended to ask about land that is listed at the end of Sautter Drive off of Washing N. It is a .75 acre lot with no road frontage. After a discussion and explanation from Mr. Romoser, it remains the responsibility of the purchaser of the property to install a road.

Mr. Hurlow presented the zoning report which will be filed with the minutes.

Chief Compton reported there have been 38 calls to Snow Trails which is good news for Carnival Weekend. He contacted the Township attorney to have them draft a Resolution to Adopt the 2025 Fire Code and is waiting for the Resolution. The Chief completed March's required Cyber Security Training and submitted his certificates to the Fiscal Officer for filing.

Mr. Romoser, Road Superintendent reported the truck is complete and running with a few minor finishes. He went to Knox County ODOT and picked up the free tanks. The blades for the plows arrived and are being replaced. Sarver Paving had the lowest bid for the 2026 Tar and Chip Project. He researched credentials and recommended to accept their bid. Mr. Hurlow moved to award the bid to Sarver Paving, Mr. Swank seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Fiscal Officer, Annette Depue shared a letter she received regarding change in Policing Responsibilities asking for our support. She also shared a Letter/Press Release explaining how the new tax proposals are going to affect the libraries and townships. She distributed a copy to the Board for their review so it can later be determined as to whether or not to post it on the township website. Mrs. Depue also reported to the trustees that Spruce Hill is not current on their Bed Tax payment. Mr. Hurlow will contact our attorney. Mrs. Depue distributed the cash summary by fund report.

Mr. Yoder spoke to Mr. Keisling in regards to the possibility that construction could begin before harvest season. They are working on an agreement.

Mr. Swank spoke with Mary Horner, 1937 Bellwood in regards to the gas aggregate. Mr. King from Trebel is going to reach out to her. There have been more calls about TC Energy clearing trees for lines. They are within their 25' right of way easement. Mr. Swank spoke with Net2Services in regards of ADA compliant which will be taken care of. Mr. King from Trebel, the township's aggregate representative, will be attending the next meeting for reporting and any questions.

After no further business, Mr. Hurlow made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Swank seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes and the meeting ended at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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ANNETTE DEPUE, FISCAL OFFICER

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STEPHEN SWANK, CHAIR

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JOHN K. HURLLOW, V-CHAIR

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DAVID YODER, TRUSTEE