

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SPECIAL SESSION

Held: January 7, 2026 7:00 AM

Location: 1175 Cincinnati Zanesville Road SW, Lancaster, Ohio 43130.

Chairperson Gail Ellinger called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the flag. The following members and visitors were present:

Mrs. Gail Ellinger Present

Mr. Charles Ressler Present

Mr. Judd Ellinger Present

Mr. Steve Wolfe Present

Trustee Gail Ellinger turned the meeting over to Fiscal Officer Ressler.

VISITORS:

See Sign in Sheet with a total of 0 visitors present

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer Ressler swore in Steve Wolfe and Judd Ellinger for their new trustee terms. Judd Ellinger was voted in and elected to replace past Trustee Wes Hurley. Fiscal Officer Ressler asked for a nomination to elect the 2026 Chairperson. Trustee Steve Wolfe motioned to nominate Trustee Gail Ellinger. Trustee Judd Ellinger seconded the motion. Motion passed. Fiscal Officer Ressler asked for a nomination to elect the 2026 Vice-Chairperson. Trustee Gail Ellinger nominated Trustee Steve Wolfe as the Vice-Chairperson. Trustee Judd Ellinger seconded the motion. Motion passed. Trustee Gail Ellinger took back over the special meeting as the Chairperson for 2026. Minutes from the December meeting being read prior by the Board were approved as read, so moved by Trustee Gail Ellinger and seconded by Steve Wolfe. All were in favor with 2 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed.

Trustee Steve Wolfe motioned to adopt the Guidelines to Operate for Fiscal Year 2026 as resolution 26-1. Trustee Judd Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Gail Ellinger – Yes, Judd Ellinger – Yes, Steve Wolfe - Yes. Motion approved. Trustee Steve Wolfe motioned to pay

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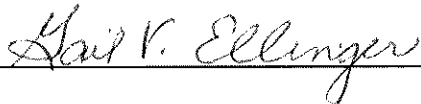
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an additional \$1.00 per hour to each road maintenance employee to begin January 11, 2026. Trustee Judd Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Gail Ellinger – Yes, Judd Ellinger – Yes, Steve Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved. Trustee Steve Wolfe motioned to give fire department employees a \$1.00 per hour raise for FY26 top begin January 11, 2026. Trustee Judd Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Gail Ellinger – Yes, Judd Ellinger – Yes, Steve Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved.


Trustee Steve Wolfe motioned to approve Interim Fire Chief Kilbarger as the permanent Fire Chief effective immediately. Trustee Judd Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Gail Ellinger – Yes, Judd Ellinger – Yes, Steve Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved. Trustee Steve Wolfe motioned to give Fire Chief Kilbarger a \$4.00 hourly raise. Trustee Judd Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Gail Ellinger – Yes, Judd Ellinger – Yes, Steve Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved.

Trustee Judd Ellinger motioned to increase the contracted zoning inspector wages from \$1,000 per quarter (\$333.33 per month) to \$1,200 per quarter (\$400.00 per month) effective January 1, 2026. Trustee Steve Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Gail Ellinger – Yes, Judd Ellinger – Yes, Steve Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved.

There being no further business to discuss Trustee Judd Ellinger motioned to adjourn and Trustee Steve Wolfe seconded the motion.



Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger



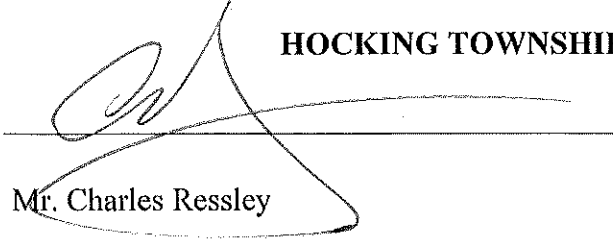
Mr. Judd Ellinger



Mr. Steve Wolfe

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Mr. Charles Ressler

All formal actions of the Board of Hocking Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code