

Minutes of May 27, 2025

Record of Proceedings

The Washington Township Board of Trustees regularly scheduled meeting held at Washington Township Administration Building, 6200 Eiterman Road, Dublin, Ohio, on May 27, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., with Mr. Jan Rozanski, Chairman, calling the meeting to order, and it opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call – Mr. Jan Rozanski, Chair – Present

Mr. Charles Kranstuber, Vice Chair – Present

Mr. Stu Harris, Trustee – Present

Franklin County Deputy Sheriff's Report:

Deputy Burton Haren with Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) was not present.

Opportunity for Residents to Speak:

No comments.

Motion to Approve Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Harris moved to introduce and approve the minutes from the May 13, 2025, Board of Trustees Meeting, seconded by Mr. Rozanski. Motion passed with all members of the Washington Township

Trustees whom were present voting Aye.

#2025.05.27.001

Append #001

Executive Session – Personnel – To Consider the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Discipline, Promotion, Demotion or Compensation of a Public Employee or Official, or the Investigation of Charges or Complaints Against a Public Employee, Official, Licensee, or Regulated Individual, Unless the Employee, Official, Licensee, or Regulated Individual Requests a Public Hearing by Division (G)(1) of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code:

Mr. Kranstuber introduced and moved to enter into Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing by division (G)(1) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code at approximately 5:59 p.m., seconded by Mr. Rozanski. Motion passed with all members of the Washington Township Trustees whom were present voting Aye.

#2025.05.27.002

Reconvened:

The meeting reconvened at approximately 6:04 p.m. with the following resolution.

Amended Resolution Concluding Linda Latham's Employment as Executive Finance Specialist:

Discussion:

Mr. Melody stated Mrs. Latham has graciously agreed to remain past her original anticipated retirement date to assist in the processing of payroll and training of her replacement.

Motion:

Mr. Kranstuber introduced and moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

AN AMENDED RESOLUTION CONCLUDING LINDA LATHAM'S EMPLOYMENT AS EXECUTIVE FINANCE SPECIALIST

WHEREAS, the Board of Township Trustees of Washington Township rehired Linda Latham on October 4, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees for Washington Township recognizes Linda Latham has voluntarily resigned from her position with the intentions of retiring.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Washington Township, Franklin, Delaware, and Union Counties, State of Ohio:

Section 1: The Board of Trustees hereby approves the retirement of:

Name: Linda Latham
Position / Department: Executive Finance Specialist / Fiscal
Classification: Full-Time
Effective date: July 25, 2025

Section 2: Linda Latham is eligible for rehire;

Section 3: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Board and that all deliberations of the Board and any of the decision making bodies of the Board of Trustees which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the State of Ohio.

Section 4: All prior legislation, or any parts thereof, which is/are inconsistent with this Resolution is/are hereby repealed as to the inconsistent parts thereof.

Mr. Harris seconded the motion, and the roll was called, and all members of the Washington Township Trustees whom were present voting Aye. Resolution adopted May 27, 2025. #2025.05.27.003

Append #002

Round Table Discussions:

Township Administrator Eric Richter:

- Mr. Richter provided an update on the trees replaced adjacent to Station 93. Davey Tree has removed the old trees and planted replacement trees. The condo association representative is pleased, but reported that one resident expected fewer gaps. Mr. Richter reported the six (6) foot trees that were planted are expected to fill in as they grow, following their recent planting;
- Mr. Richter provided an update on the property located at 6927 Rings Road which was recently up for auction. The property is listed as pending on realtor.com. Mr. Richter noted the special assessment placed on the property in 2024 when the Township mitigated noxious weeds should be paid with successful sale of the property;
- Mr. Richter mentioned the owner of another property that frequently requires Township action to clear nuisance vegetation has recently been given notice. Mr. Richter indicated he is scheduled to meet with a representative from the Prosecutor's Office to provide guidance on the property, in addition to general discussions surrounding abatement.

Chief John Donahue:

- Chief Donahue noted he met and had a positive interaction with the East Dublin Civic Association during their annual meeting last week;
- Chief Donahue mentioned personnel from WTFD and Dublin Police Department will be participating in a flag football fundraiser with Dublin company HomeTown Ticketing;
- Chief Donahue expressed his appreciation to the department for all of the preparation that goes into a successful Memorial Tournament week of events, including the tournament itself and several ancillary events such as ForeFest at Bridge Park and an event at the Bogey Inn property.

Human Resources Manager Catherine Grossman:

- Ms. Grossman indicated the first round of interviews for the Battalion Chief position will take place this week with Chief Donahue, Assistant Chief Smith and Ms. Grossman interviewing two (2) internal and twelve (12) to thirteen (13) external applicants. The next step will include an assessment center;
- Ms. Grossman indicated planning has begun for an employee appreciation cookout to be held at the end of July with Chief Donahue and Chief Smith cooking.

Trustee Jan Rozanski:

- Mr. Rozanski expressed his appreciation to the Fire Prevention Bureau for being present at the golf course and ensuring all cooking tents have fire extinguishers. Chief Donahue noted fire safety signage with WTFD and the Township logo have been added to cooking tents this year. Mr. Richter expressed his appreciation to Fire Marshal Sam Parsons for his coordination of coverage for the tournament and accompanying events.

Adjourn Meeting:

Motion by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Rozanski, to adjourn the meeting of May 27, 2025 at approximately 6:12 p.m.

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Mr. Jan Rozanski, Chair

Mr. Scott Melody, Fiscal Officer