

THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 23, 2026

The Washington Township Board of Trustees met this date in regular session for the purpose of transacting business of the Township. Mr. Stevenson called the meeting to order 6:00PM, the pledge was recited, and roll call was taken: Mr. Stevenson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Parsons, yes. Also present were: Abby Shipley and Branden McDaniel.

Mr. Parsons moved to waive the reading of and approve the minutes for the meeting 2/9/26. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Vote: Mr. Parsons, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes. Motion carries.

Mr. Smith moved to approve expenditures over \$3000, warrant #7917. Seconded by Mr. Parsons. Vote: Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Parsons, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes. Motion carries.

The following bills were examined by the Board:

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, LICKING COUNTY					2/23/2026 E
Payment Listing					UA
2/23/2026 to 2/23/2026					
Payment Advice #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount
13-2026	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	CH	AEP OHIO	\$272.80
7913	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	AW	Balestra & Co PLLC	\$1,600.00
7914	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	AW	JUSTIN A, DOUP	\$45.00
7915	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	AW	BRANDEN L. MCDANIEL	\$45.00
7916	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	AW	Keystone Cooperative	\$1,532.90
7917	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	AW	BANE WELKER	\$95,200.00
7918	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	PR	Branden L McDaniel	\$1,684.79
7919	02/23/2026	02/23/2026	PR	Brody McDaniel	\$958.14
Total Payments:					\$101,338.63
Total Conversion Vouchers:					\$0.00
Total Less Conversion Vouchers:					\$101,338.63

Mr. Parsons moved that the preceding bills be allowed as lawful obligations of the Township and the Fiscal Officer be directed to issue warrants of the Township in payment of the same. Mr. Smith seconded. Vote: Mr. Parsons, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes. Motion carries. I certify that there are sufficient funds in the depository and checks have been issued in payment of the same.

Abby Shipley, Fiscal Officer

Bank Statement

n/a

Credit Card Compliance Officer Report:

n/a

Public Concerns and Comments:

Employee & Appointee Report & Instruction:

1. Mr. Doup:
 - a. No new permits
2. Mrs. Shipley
 - a. Audit results were received and have been printed out for review. Only two exceptions were found which were both minor.
 - b. Backhoe information has been submitted to the insurance company and has been added to the policy. We will remove the old backhoe once it is sold.
 - c. Everyone needs to complete new W4 and IT4 forms
 - d. Working to set up Positive Pay and ACH paychecks with Peoples. Will have transitioned by next pay date. Each employee needs to complete the ACH form.
 - e. Cybersecurity info was sent over from Dayta Network Services. Setting up a call for this week to determine our areas of risk and how to fix.

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Employee & Appointee Report & Instruction (cont'd):

3. Mr. McDaniel
 - a. Lightly treating with salt and mixing in 9's to spread salt farther
 - b. Tree down on Stout Rd was cleaned up last week
 - c. Cleaned up old backhoe and is ready to set up for sale
 - d. Next shipment of salt coming this week

Zoning Resolution Update:

1. Sent the fee schedule with all of the updates via email- Effective March 1, 2026
2. Zoning Resolution document is updated and ready to be sent to the county on 2/27/2026- Effective upon submission
3. Zoning Inspector suggested that the topic of data centers be referred to the Zoning Commission for consideration

Road and Equipment Concerns:

n/a

County Line Fire District Report:

n/a

Old Business:

1. Data storage conversation will be revisited in February
2. A brief discussion was held regarding the status of Utica Road, no updates have been received
3. The building remodel was discussed and it was decided to table the project for now and revisit later in the year.

New Business:

1. Mr. Smith moved to pass resolution 26-16 asking the Zoning commission to explore the potential exclusion of data centers in the township. Seconded by Mr. Parsons. Vote: Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Parsons, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes. Motion carries.
2. Mr. Parsons moved to declare the 1998 Cat Backhoe as surplus, effective March 1, 2026. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Vote: Mr. Parsons, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes. Motion carries.
3. A written quote from Seal Master was received at \$.79/lb for crack seal products for 2026. Will target the week of June 8th for application
4. The Licking Co Treasurer released property tax rates for the county. Washington Township residents pay 53.475 mills.
5. Mr. Smith moved to approve \$4,210.45 to be spent on backhoe accessories. Seconded by Mr. Parsons. Vote: Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Parsons, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes. Motion carries.
6. Mr. Smith moved to pass resolution 26-15 authorizing the use of electronic fund transfers for the following: OPERS, Federal Payroll Taxes, State Payroll Taxes, PNB Visa Credit Card, AEP electric bill, Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation and Ohio Auditor. Seconded by Mr. Parsons, Vote: Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Parsons, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes. Motion carries.

Public Concerns and Comments:

Mr. Smith moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Parsons. Vote: Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Stevenson, yes; Mr. Parsons, yes. Motion carried.

Rex J. Stevenson, President

Sam Parsons, Vice President

Nelson Smith, Board Member

Abby Shipley, Fiscal Officer