

MINUTES OF REGULAR TRUSTEE MEETING HELD MARCH 24, 2026

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TATE TOWNSHIP MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: TRUSTEE WILSON, TRUSTEE STEIMLE, TRUSTEE DURBIN, AND FISCAL OFFICER KATHY BRANNOCK.

AFTER THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, OPENING PRAYER WAS GIVEN BY JOHN WILSON.

MR. WILSON INTRODUCED THE BOARD.

MOTION BY MS. STEIMLE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MARCH 6, 2026. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MR. WILSON, YES, MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MOTION BY MR. WILSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 10, 2026. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MOTION BY MS. STEIMLE TO APPROVE THE 2026 APPROPRIATIONS. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MR. WILSON, YES, MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. WILSON READ THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RULES AND ASKED ANYONE THAT WISHED TO SPEAK TO SIGN IN. THERE WILL BE A LIMIT OF 5 MINUTES PER PERSON WITH A LIMIT OF 1 HOUR. ALL COMMENTS ARE TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD.

NEW PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-NONE

PROJECT UPDATE:

MS. STEIMLE UPDATED THE BOARD ABOUT THE CYBERSECURITY THAT IS REQUIRED BY THE O.R.C. SHE IS WORKING ON A PLAN TO PRESENT NEXT MONTH. JULY IS THE DEADLINE. THE PLATFORM IS BEING MOVED FROM .ORG TO .GOV WHICH IS MORE SECURE AND ONLY AVAILABLE TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. ON MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup> SHE APPLIED FOR A GRANT. THE REVIEW TIMELINE IS UNKNOWN, BUT FUNDS MUST BE USED BY NOVEMBER 2027. IN THE MEAN TIME SEVERAL ITEMS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED OUTSIDE OF THE GRANT:

- 1) SET UP WEBSITE DNS ON GODADDY TO INSURE IT PROFESSIONAL CAN GAIN ACCESS. THIS WILL IMPROVE CYBERSECURITY POSTURE.
- 2) E-MAIL CURRENTLY USES ZIMBRA. E-MAIL WILL MIGRATE FROM ZIMBRA TO OUTLOOK. THE CURRENT IT PROFESSIONAL HAS AGREED TO DO THE MIGRATION FOR NO CHARGE. THE LICENSING FEE WILL BE PAYABLE TO MICROSOFT. IF WE RECEIVE THE GRANT, WE WILL NEED TO MOVE THE EMAIL FROM .ORG TO .GOV. THE HARDEST PART IS MOVING TO OUTLOOK.

- 3) UPDATE THE WEBSITE. SHELBY HAS FOUND A COMPANY THROUGH SWOKA'S RECOMMENDATION. THERE IS A ONE-TIME SETUP FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5900. THERE ARE 2 TIERS OF MAINTENANCE COSTS AND OPTION 2 INCLUDES 1 HOUR OF SUPPORT PER TICKET AT A COST OF \$160/MONTH. THESE FEES WILL INCLUDE HOSTING. THE GRANT FUNDS WOULD COVER THE ONE-TIME SETUP COST.

WE CANNOT START ON THE WEBSITE UNTIL THE GRANTS ARE AWARDED BECAUSE IT CANNOT BE SPENT PRIOR TO THE AWARD. THIS IS AN AFFORDABLE OPTION EVEN IF WE ARE UNSUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING THE GRANT. MS. STEIMLE ASKED THE BOARD TO APPROVE STEPS 1 AND 2 TO REGISTER WITH GODADDY AND BEGIN THE EMAIL MIGRATION PROCESS. THE ESTIMATED COST IS \$5500. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, MR. DURBIN 2<sup>ND</sup> THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MR. WILSON, YES, MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MS. STEIMLE STATED THAT SHE IS COMPILING MATERIAL REGARDING THE PROPERTY TAX REPEAL MOVEMENT. THIS MATERIAL WILL BE POSTED ON THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE NEXT MONTH.

MS. STEIMLE INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE LAND USE/ZONING RESOLUTION FINAL WORKING GROUP MEETING WILL BE HELD IN APRIL.

MR. DURBIN STATED THAT THERE WILL BE A PARADE AS PART OF THE 250 CELEBRATION. HE WOULD LIKE THE TOWNSHIP TO PARTICIPATE.

MR. WILSON COMMENTED THAT THE VILLAGE HAS TEAMED UP WITH THE OHIO WELLNESS CAMPAIGN. THERE WILL BE A MEETING TOMORROW REGARDING GRANT FUNDING. THIS IS A 4 STEP PROCEDURE. U.C. WILL SPONSOR \$60,000 TOWARD THE PROJECT. THE GOAL IS TO HAVE 5 UNITS, 1 IN THE TATE TOWNSHIP AREA. THE TOWNSHIP AND VILLAGE ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO HAVE ONE BUILT IN BURKE PARK.

THE AMERICA 250 PARADE WILL BE HELD ON JULY 11, 2026 AT 12:00PM. MR. WILSON ASKED THE BOARD TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE.

CHIEF COOPER IS WORKING WITH THE VILLAGE REGARDING BLOCKING TRAFFIC FOR THE EVENT. MARY DURBIN SUGGESTED HANDING OUT MINIATURE FLAGS TO KIDS. JODI WILSON WILL SHARE WEBSITES TO PURCHASE FLAGS. CHIEF COOPER SUGGESTED REGISTERING WITH THE PARADE COMMITTEE IF THE BOARD INTENDS TO RIDE IN THE PARADE.

THERE WILL BE A BENEFIT DINNER FOR THE BETHEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY ON APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> AT 5:15PM.

MR. WILSON THANKED UNION TOWNSHIP FOR THE DONATION OF THE 2016 FORD EXPLORER. SHELBY STATED THAT MIKE LONG SAID IT DOES NEED CONTROL ARMS REPLACED. THE 2006 FORD EXPLORER IS BEYOND REPAIR AND SHOULD BE SCRAPED. MOTION BY MR. WILSON TO

SCRAP THE 2006 FORD EXPLORER, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MR. WILSON, YES, MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. BAIRD GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE BETHEL MAPLE PROPERTY. THERE HAS BEEN NO COMMUNICATION OR CHANGE. A TREE FELL ON THE PROPERTY DURING THE LAST STORM. IT HAS BEEN CUT UP AND PILED ALONG THE PROPERTY LINE. US BANK DID SEND A LETTER ASKING ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE PROPERTY.

MS. STEIMLE RECOMMENDED HIRING SOMEONE TO CLEANUP THE PROPERTY OR HAVE OUR MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT DO IT. SHE SUGGESTED THAT IT MAY BE A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY THERE WHILE WORK IS BEING DONE. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO GET BIDS TO CLEANUP THE PROPERTY. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES. MR. DURBIN SAID THAT HE WOULD CONTACT OTHER TOWNSHIPS REGARDING CONTRACTORS AND PASS THE INFORMATION ON TO MR. BAIRD.

CHIEF COOPER INFORMED THE TRUSTEES THAT THE PARTS FOR THE LADDER TRUCK HAVE ARRIVED. KONRAD HAS BEEN AT THE FIRE HOUSE EVERYDAY. MIKE LONG AND ERIC SMITH HAVE BEEN HELPING HIM. THE HEADS HAVE TO BE REFURBISHED. THE PISTONS ARE GOOD. 7 OF THE 8 SLEEVES AND THE WATER PUMP HAVE BEEN INSTALLED.

OPTIONS WERE DISCUSSED REGARDING THE HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. IT WAS DECIDED TO GO WITH ANTHEM BLUE ACCESS PPO 5000 E WITH THE HIGHER DEDUCTIBLE OF 5000/10000 EFFECTIVE 5-1-2026 TO 4-31-2027.

CHIEF COOPER STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO APPLY TO A CBDG GRANT FOR HEART MONITORS. MR. WILSON STATED THAT THE TRUSTEES HAD AGREED TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FOR A MAINTENANCE BUILDING. MS. STEIMLE WILL MEET WITH MR. STANLEY REGARDING THAT. CHIEF COOPER REPLIED THAT THE HEART MONITORS ARE CURRENTLY WORKING BUT WILL NOT LAST 3 YEARS. MS. STEIMLE WILL CHECK WITH DESMOND TO SEE ABOUT FINDING OTHER SOURCES FOR A MAINTENANCE BUILDING AND LOOK INTO FUNDING FOR A HEART MONITORS.

#### OLD PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

GREG SCHULER ASKED ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE ZONING RESOLUTION/LAND USE PLAN. MS. STEIMLE RESPONDED THAT SHE HOPES TO GET IT OUT TO THE ZONING COMMISSION FOR COMMENTS IN APRIL. MAY WOULD BE THE EARLIEST TO SEND IT TO THE COUNTY. THERE WILL BE ONE FINAL WORKING GROUP MEETING TO ADDRESS DATA CENTERS AND ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING ISSUES.

MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO RENEW 3 MEMBERSHIPS WITH THE FARM BUREAU. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY DURBIN, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY WILSON.