MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD AUGUST 13, 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 REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 26, 2026. 2ND BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MOTION BY MS. STEIMLE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD JULY 30, 2026. 2ND BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MOTION BY MS. STEIMLE TO APPROVE THE BILLS OF JULY, 2026. 2ND BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MOTION BY MS. STEIMLE TO APPROVE THE JULY, 2026 PAYROLL, EFT'S AND WITHHOLDING VOUCHERS. 2ND BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, 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.

MR. WILSON STATED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED MANY COMPLIMENTS ABOUT THE ROAD AND FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE DURING THE STORM. MR. DURBIN AGREED THAT THEY DID A GREAT JOB.

MR. WILSON CLOSED THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT 7:08 PM.

FIRE DEPARTMENT-OLD BUSINESS

CHIEF COOPER PRESENTED THE JUNE AND JULY FIRE REPORTS. THERE WERE 194 CALLS DURING JUNE, 69 FIRE AND 125 EMS. THERE WERE 237 CALLS DURING JULY, 89 FIRE AND 148 EMS. THERE WERE 4 WALK-IN PATIENTS IN JUNE AND 17 WALK-IN PATIENTS IN JULY. CHIEF COOPER REMINDED EVERYONE TO CALL 911 INSTEAD OF COMING TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT THERE WILL BE PERSONNEL AT THE FIRE HOUSE.

THE MOU BETWEEN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION HAS BEEN SIGNED AND ACCEPTED BY BOTH PARTIES. FUNDS SHOULD BE RECEIVED WITHIN THE NEXT 3 WEEKS.

ALL TORNADO SIRENS ACTIVATED DURING LAST MONTH'S TORNADO EVENT. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ALSO OPENS AND OPERATES THE TORNADO SHELTER LOCATED AT THE CCC CHURCH. OVER 70 PEOPLE WERE IN THE SHELTER. HE REMINDED EVERYONE THAT ONLY SERVICE ANIMALS ARE PERMITTED IN THE SHELTER.

FIRE DEPARTMENT-NEW BUSINESS

CHIEF COOPER INFORMED THE TRUSTEES THAT THE 2021 AMBULANCE NEEDS NEW FRONT TIRES. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO APPROVE THE PURCAHSE OF 2 CONTINENTAL HSR+5 TIRES FOR THE 2021 AMBULANCE AT THE COST OF $348.84 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF $697.68 FROM GATEWAY TIRE. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCAHSE OF 2 CONTINENTAL HSR+5 TIRES FOR THE 2021 AMBULANCE AT THE COST OF $348.84 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF $697.68 FROM GATEWAY TIRE. 2ND BY MR. DURBIN. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

CHIEF COOPER ASKED THE TRUSTEES TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 3 PARAID AMBULANCE CHILD RESTRAINTS FOR $789.00 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF $2,367.00 FROM BOUNDTREE MEDICAL USING EMS GRANT FUNDS. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TRUSTEES TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 3 PARAID AMBULANCE CHILD RESTRAINTS FOR $789.00 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF $2,367.00 FROM BOUNDTREE MEDICAL USING EMS GRANT FUNDS. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT GENERATOR HAS BEEN HAVING A FEW ISSUES. DURING ITS BI-ANNUAL MAINTENANCE THE OIL PRESSURE GAUGE SENDING UNIT AND COOLANT SENSOR WERE REPLACED. THE UNIT SHUT OFF DURING THE WEEKLY TESTING BUT WORKS CORRECTLY DURING POWER OUTAGES. IT COULD BE THE CIRCUIT BOATD BUT THEY ARE STILL WAITING FOR CONFIRMATION. MR. DURBIN ASKED HOW OLD THE GENERATOR IS. CHIEF COOPER REPLIED THAT IT IS A 1996 MODEL.

CHIEF COOPER INFORMED THE TRUSTEES THAT LIEUTENANT ERIC SMITH'S 1-YEAR PROBATION PERIOD WAS UP ON 8/1/2026. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO REMOVE LIEUTENANT ERIC SMITH FROM HIS 1-YEAR PROBATION. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO REMOVE LIEUTENANT ERIC SMITH FROM HIS 1-YEAR PROBATION. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

CHIEF COOPER ANNOUNCED THAT FULL-TIME FF/EMT TIMOTHY FOSTER JUST GRADUATED FROM PARAMEDIC SCHOOL. HE ASKED THAT THE BOARD PROMOTE TIMOTHY FOSTER FROM A FF/EMT TO A FF/PARAMEDIC AND INCREASE HIS FULL-TIME ANNUAL SALARY BY $3155.00 EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2026. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO PROMOTE TIMOTHY FOSTER FROM A FF/EMT TO A FF/PARAMEDIC AND INCREASE HIS FULL-TIME ANNUAL SALARY BY $3155.00 EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2026. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

THE BOARD WAS ASKED BY CHIEF COOPER TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF FF/EMT JACOB FELDKAMP, FF/EMT IAN BOCCIARELLI, AND FF/PARAMEDIC SPENCER ABRAMS AS PART-TIME AND BE PLACED ON A 1-YEAR PROBATION. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF FF/EMT JACOB FELDKAMP, FF/EMT IAN BOCCIARELLI, AND FF/PARAMEDIC SPENCER ABRAMS AS PART-TIME AND BE PLACED ON A 1-YEAR PROBATION. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

ROAD/CEMETERY-OLD BUSINESS

MR. STANLEY PRESENTED THE JULY CEMETERY REPORT. THERE WERE 6 BURIALS, 3 FOUNDATION ORDERS TAKEN AND 3 GRAVE SALES. THE CEMTERY WAS MOWED 4 TIMES. MR. WILSON READ A LETTER THAT HE HAD RECEIVED FROM RANDALL YOUNG COMPLIMENTING THE CEMETERY MOWING AND CLEANLINESS.

MR. STANLEY REPORTED THAT BERMING WAS DONE ON SALTAIR CANTER ROAD. HE STILL HAS 170’ OF CULVERTS TO SET. HE NEEDS ONE WEEK OF DRY WEATHER.

THE SUGARTREE CULVERT IS WORKING WELL.

THERE IS A CULVERT ON PATTERSON ROAD AT THE JUNK YARD THAT NEEDS TO BE REPLACED. THIS WILL OPEN UP TO 90% FREE FLOW.

ONE CULVERT ON WILSON ROAD WAS RESET.

THE COST OF SALT FOR 2026/2027 IS $119/TON.

SHAWN RILEY, THE DIRECTOR OF CLERMONT COUNTY EMA, HELPED PREPARE THE PAPERWORK FOR THE EXPENSES FROM THE FLOOD, ETC.

MR. STANLEY INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO REPLACE THE TOOLS THAT KONRAD HAD LOANED TO THE DEPARTMENT DURING HIS EMPLOYMENT. THEY NEED A 10 T JACK PLUS OTHER TOOLS TOTALLING $3493. THE TRUSTEES AGREED THAT THE TOOLS ARE NECESSARY. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO REPLACE THE SHOP TOOLS. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. STANLEY INFORMED THE TRUSTEES THAT THE SECONDARY BOOM BROKE OFF THE MOWER MAX. THE COST OF A NEW ONE IS $5034.22 + SHIPPING. THE TRUSTEES WERE ASKED FOR PERMISSION TO PURCHASE A ROTARY MULCHER FOR THE MOWER MAX AT THE SAME TIME TO SAVE ON SHIPPING COSTS. THIS WOULD BE USED TO CUT LIMBS, ETC. AND WOULD SAVE TIME BY ELIMINATING CLEANING UP DEBRIS SINCE IT PULVERIZES THE WOOD. THE COST OF THE ROTARY MULCHER IS $25,457.50. THE TOTAL FOR BOTH IS $30,491.72 + SHIPPING. MS. STEIMLE ASKED IF FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE FOR THE PURCHASE. SHE WAS TOLD THAT THEY WERE. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO PURCHASE THE SECONDARY BOOM AND THE

ROTARY MOWER FOR THE MOWER MAX AT A COST OF $30,491.72 + SHIPPING OF UP TO $1000. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. STANLEY PRESENTED THE BOARD WITH TWO BIDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE CULVERT ON PATTERSON ROAD. THE TOWNSHIP WILL PROVIDE THE MATERIAL. THE CULVERT IS AN ELIPTICAL CULVERT COSTING $5505. THE ROAD WILL NEED TO BE CLOSED TO 3-5 DAYS. LP EXCAVATING COULD DO THE JOB IN THE NEXT WEEK. CORNERSTONE DEVELOPMENT COULD NOT GET TO THE JOB UNTIL LATE NEXT MONTH. MS. STEIMLE ASKED HOW SOON THE JOB NEEDS TO BE DONE. MR. STANLEY RESPONDED THAT HE WOULD LIKE IT TO BE DONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SINCE HE NEEDS THE STEEL PLATES ELSEWHERE. THE ROAD IS BEING UNDERMINED BY THE CULVERT. HE WILL BE SUPERVISING THE JOB. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BID FROM LP EXCAVATING IN THE AMOUNT OF $3250. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

ZONING-OLD BUSINESS

MR. BAIRD PRESENTED THE JULY ZONING REPORT. THERE WERE 19 CASE NUMBERS ON 15 ZONING APPLICATIONS, 25 ACTIVE COMPLAINT/VIOLATION CASES.

THERE WERE SEVERAL MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO ARTICLE 12, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS, AND ARTICLE 3, USE REGULATIONS REGARDING HOME OCCUPATIONS AFTER THE OPEN HOUSE FOR THE ZONING RESOLUTION THAT WAS HELD ON JULY 25, 2026. MS. STEIMLE EXPLAINED THAT THE PROVISION REGARDING THE VEGETATION CUTTING HEIGHT OF 10" WAS REMOVED. THE SECOND CHANGE WAS TO HOME OCCUPATION. THERE ARE 3 TIERS, HOME OFFICE, MINOR OPERATION, AND MAJOR OPERATION. THE HOME OFFICE IS FOR PEOPLE THAT WORK FROM HOME WITH NO EMPLOYEES OR CUSTOMERS. THE LANGUAGE WAS CLARIFIED IN THE RESOLUTION THAT NO PERMIT IS REQUIRED. THE ZONING COMMISSION WAS ADVISED OF THIS CHANGE AT THEIR LAST MEETING THAT WAS HELD ON AUGUST 4, 2026. THE RESOLUTION WAS SUBMITTED TO CLERMONT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ON AUGUST 10, 2026. FOR THEIR HEARING ON AUGUST 25, 2026. THE ZONING COMMISSION HEARING IS SET FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 AT 7:00 PM DURING THEIR NEXT REGULAR MEETING. MS. STEIMLE EXPLAINED THAT THE RESOLUTION IS NOT FINAL; THERE WILL BE 3 PUBLIC HEARINGS, THE COUNTY HEARING, THE ZONING COMMISSION HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 1, AND THEN THE TRUSTEES WILL DECIDE IF THE DRAFT IS ACCEPTABLE OR IF ANY CHANGES NEED TO BE MADE. THE ONLINE COMMENT FUNCTION WILL REMAIN LIVE. RESIDENTS CAN ALSO REACH OUT TO THE TRUSTEES AND THE ZONING INSPECTOR. AN UPDATE WILL BE POSTED TOMORROW ON THE WEBSITE.

MR. WILSON STATED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN 5 PUBLIC EVENTS THIS YEAR, PUBLIC MEETINGS AND MAILING SENT OUT TO INFORM EVERYONE. HE ASKED EVERYONE TO FEEL FREE TO ATTEND THE HEARINGS OR CALL THE TRUSTEES TO DISCUSS THEIR CONCERNS. THERE IS A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT THAT IS POSTING MISINFORMATION. THE OLD CODE IS VAGUE, FOR INSTANCE A MULTI-OFFICE BUILDING WAS NOT IN THE OLD CODE. THE OLD CODE CONTAINED

71 PAGES WHILE THE NEW CODE HAS 233 PAGES. THE REASON FOR THE INCREASE IN PAGES IS THAT THE NEW CODE CLARIFIES THE CATEGORIES, IT DOES NOT ADD CATEGORIES. THE EXISTING CODE ALLOWS THE PROPERTY OWNER TO DO WHATEVER THEY WANT AFTER A ZONE CHANGE HAS BEEN APPROVED. THE NEW CODE DOES NOT ALLOW THE SITE PLAN TO CHANGE.

MR. BAIRD STATED THAT THE FINAL WORKING DRAFT HAS A WATERMARK. IT IS FROZEN. HE IS WORKING ON FORMATTING TO MAKE THE DRAFT PRINTABLE. THE MODIFIED DRAFT HAS NOT BEEN POSTED.

MR. WILSON STATED THAT THEY ARE DOING WHAT THE PEOPLE HAVE ASKED. THEY ELIMINATED THE MOWING RULE AND CLARIFIED PERMITS REGARDING HOME OFFICE TIERS. HE RECOMMENDED THAT PEOPLE SUBSCRIBE TO THE MAILING LIST TO GET NOTIFICATIONS.

MR. BAIRD STATED THAT THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CANCELLED THE REGULAR MEETINGS FOR JULY AND AUGUST DUE TO NO BUSINESS.

THE TRUSTEES WERE UPDATED ON ZONING VIOLATIONS:

2532 BETHEL MAPLE WILL CONTINUE TO BE MONITORED. THE VEHICLE HAS NOT BEEN REMOVED. CERTIFIED LETTERS WERE MAILED TO THE 404 SUNSET DR. OWNER. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN DELIVERED OR SIGNED FOR. MR. DURBIN STATED THAT THEY ARE MAKING AN EFFORT TO CLEAN UP THE PROPERTY. THERE IS A DUMPSTER THERE. CHIEF COOPER STATED THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS CALLED TO THAT ADDRESS FOR AN OPEN BURN. HE TOLD THEM TO REMOVE THE FURNITURE FROM THE BRUSH PILE.

2954 BETHEL CONCORD AND 3133 MACEDONIA ROAD ARE TIED TOGETHER, AS THERE IS A COMMON OWNER. THERE IS A JUNK VEHICLE AND UNPERMITTED STRUCTURES ON THE PROPERTIES. THERE IS JUNK EVERYWHERE. IT ALSO APPEARS THAT SOMEONE IS LIVING IN THE SHED.

MS. STEIMLE SUGGESTED THAT MR. BAIRD POST LETTERS ON THE PREMISES BEFORE THE TRUSTEES TAKE FORMAL ACTION WITH A NUISANCE RESOLUTION. MR. WILSON AGREED FOR MR. BAIRD TO POST A NOTICE ON THE DOOR AND TAKE A PICTURE. MR. BAIRD WILL ISSUE A SECOND VIOLATION LETTER AS RECOMMENDED BY LEGAL COUNSEL.

MR. BAIRD INFORMED THE TRUSTEES THAT THERE IS STILL NO NEWS REGARDING THE SLGCP.GOV MIGRATION GRANT.

MR. BAIRD PRESENTED THE TRUSTEES WITH A QUOTE FOR PC FOR MIKE LONG IN THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT. HE RECOMMENDED THAT THE TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF AN HP PAVILION 15 LAPTOP AT A PRICE OF $789.00. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF AN HP PAVILION 15 LAPTOP AT A PRICE OF $789.00. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. BAIRD STATED THAT HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THE COMPUTER DATA DUE TO POWER OUTAGES. HE ASKED THE TRUSTEES TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A MINI TOWER, CYBERPOWER CP1500PFCLCD PFC SINEWAVE UPS 1500VA 900W PFC, AT A COST OF $227.95. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE MINI TOWER AT A COST OF $227.95. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. BAIRD INFORMED THE TRUSTEES THAT THE COST TO ADD E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR THE ZONING BOARD MEMBERS IS ESTIMATED TO BE $168 PER YEAR FOR 10 ADDITIONAL LICENSED USERS. THE LICENSES ARE TRANSFERABLE. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO ADD E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR THE 10 ZONING BOARD MEMBERS AT A COST OF $168 PER YEAR. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. BAIRD STATED THAT THE STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES NEED 3 ADDITIONAL E-MAIL LICENSES AT A COST OF $99 PER YEAR FOR THE 3 ADDITIONAL USERS. MS. STEIMLE ASKED IF IT WOULD INCLUDE THE MICROSOFT SUITE AS WELL AS EMAIL. MR. BAIRD REPLIED THAT IT WOULD BE “READ ONLY”. MR. WILSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ADDITION OF 3 E-MAIL LICENSES FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT AT A COST OF $99 PER YEAR. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

OLD PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

DENISE STRIMPLE ASKED THE TRUSTEES TO LOOK AT THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AT THE CORNER OF STATE ROUTE 133 AND BETHEL HYGIENE ROAD, THE OLD WOLF FARM. THE TRUSTEES ADVISED HER THAT IT MIGHT TAKE TIME FOR ANY RESULTS, SO BE PATIENT.

MIKE WILSON STATED THAT HE WILL MAKE COMMENTS REGARDING THE ZONING RESOLUTION ONLINE. HE STATED THAT STATE ROUTE 125 IS WORSE SINCE THE RUMBLE STRIPS WERE REMOVED. CHIEF COOPER REPLIED THAT IT IS SCHEDULED TO BE REPAVED. MS. STEIMLE ASKED HIM TO CONTACT HER OR THE OTHER TRUSTEES WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS REGARDING THE ZONING RESOLUTION.

GREG SCHULER ASKED IF THE ONLY CHANGE TO ARTICLE 12 OF THE ZONING RESOLUTION WAS REGARDING MOWING. MS. STEIMLE STATED THE FENCING LANGUAGE WAS REMOVED; IT WAS TOO DETAILED. THERE IS NO FEE FOR A HOME OFFICE. MR. WILSON COMPARED A CAUV CERTIFICATION TO A HOME BUSINESS PERMIT. PAGE 186, “ VIOLATION/PENALTIES” WAS QUESTIONED. MR. WILSON RESPONDED FOR THE 3RD OR 4TH TIME HE HAS TRIED TO EXPLAIN THAT THE BOARD DOES NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO FINE A PROPERTY OWNER, THE JUDGE DOES. THE BOARD DETERMINES IF THE PROPERTY OWNER IS IN VIOLATION. IF THE VIOLATION IS NOT RESOLVED, IT COULD EVENTUALLY GO TO COURT. THE FACEBOOK ACCOUNT IS SAYING THAT THE BOARD IS GOING TO FINE THE PROPERTY OWNER; WE ARE NOT. THE JUDGE SETS THE FINE. MS. STEIMLE STATED THAT THE UP TO $500 PER DAY FINE IS SET BY THE OHIO REVISED CODE. PAGE 38 OF THE EXISTING ZONING CODE CONTAINS THIS. MR. WILSON

CLARIFIED THAT THE FUNDING FOR THE NEW ZONING CODE CAME FROM COVID MONEY. SIXTY-FIVE FIRE HYDRANTS WERE PAID WITH HALF OF THE MONEY RECEIVED, 25% WENT TO THE STREET DEPARTMENT AND THE REMAINDER WAS USED TO PAY FOR THE ZONING CODE. THE TOWNSHIP SAVED $60,000 IN FEES BY HAVING THE CODE AND LAND USE PLAN DONE AT THE SAME TIME. THE TOWNSHIP IS PREPARING FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ALSO CONNECTING THE SEWER ON STATE ROUTE 125. THE LAND USE PLAN WILL QUALIFY THE TOWNSHIP FOR GRANTS. IT WILL BE ABLE TO BE FINALIZED ONCE THE ZONING CODE IS COMPLETED.

MIKE WILSON ASKED ABOUT HEARINGS FOR THE LAND USE PLAN. HE WAS TOLD THAT IT WILL BE THE SAME PROCESS AS THE ZONING CODE. THERE WILL BE PUBLIC HEARINGS AT A MINIMUM.

MR. WILSON STATED THAT O.R.C. CODE 519.04 ALLOWS ANYONE, EVEN A NEIGHBOR, TO INITIATE AN ABATEMENT.

RON BULOW ASKED FOR A LIST OF PROHIBITED USES. HE WANTED TO KNOW IF DATA CENTERS ARE PROHIBITED. MS. STEIMLE REPLIED THAT THEY ARE NOT PROHIBITED. THEY WERE ADVISED TO REGULATE THEM INSTEAD.

OLD BUSINESS:

MS. STEIMLE INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE OPWC GRANTS FOCUS ON INFRASTRUCTURE. HB96 ALLOCATED $10 MILLION FOR TOWNSHIP PROJECTS. SHE HAS DISCUSSED THE REPLACEMENT OF THE MAINTENANCE BUILDING AND SUGARTREE ROAD REPAVING WITH KENNEDY AT CLERMONT COUNTY. SUGARTREE ROAD WOULD QUALIFY FOR THE GRANT. SHE WILL WORK WITH MR. STANLEY ASSEMBLE A PACKAGE TO APPLY FOR THE GRANT. KENNEDY INDICATED TO MS. STEIMLE THAT CHOICE ONE ENGINEERING IS FAMILIAR WITH PROCESS. THE DEADLINE IS THE END OF AUGUST. THERE IS A MATCHING COMPONENT. MS. STEIMLE ASKED MR. STANLEY TO REACH OUT TO CHOICE ONE ENGINEERING. SHE ASKED IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER ROADS THAT ARE IN NEED OF REPAIR. MR. STANLEY REPLIED THAT THE OTHER SIDE OF PATTERSON IS ONE. MS. STEIMLE STATED THAT THEY CAN APPLY FOR MULTIPLE ROADS. MR. WILSON ASKED IF POPLAR CREEK CULVERT IS IN NEED OF REPLACEMENT. MR. STANLEY REPLIED THAT IT IS THE OLDEST. SUGARTREE ROAD IS NOT THE WORSE ROAD, BUT IT IS THE MOST EXPENSIVE. THE TOP THREE ROADS ARE SUGARTREE, PITZER, AND THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF PATTERSON. MS. STEIMLE ASKED HIM TO GET BIDS/ESTIMATES FOR THOSE 3 ROADS TO REVIEW AT THE NEXT MEETING. CHIEF COOPER ASKED IF FIRE HYDRANTS COULD BE INCORPORATED IN THE GRANT. MS. STEIMLE AGREED.

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE ZONING COMPLAINT POLICY TO ENFORCE COMPLAINTS AND HOW TO ENFORCE THE ZONING CODE. MS. STEIMLE REWORKED THE POLICY. IT OUTLINES THAT THE POLICY OF THE TOWNSHIP IS TO ENFORCE THE ZONING RESOLUTION BASED ON CERTAIN PRIORITES DUE TO OUR LIMITED RESOURCES. THE FIRST PRIORTY WOULD BE TO ENFORCE THE RESOLJUTION IN RESPONSE TO A FORMAL COMPLAINT. THE SECOND WOULD BE TO ENFORCE THE RESOLUTION IN RESPONSE TO ADDRESS OR MITIGATE ANY DAMAGES DUE TO PUBLIC

SAFETY CONCERNS, THIRD PRIORITY IS ANONYMOUS COMPLAINTS, WHICH WOULD RECEIVE THE LOWEST LEVEL OF PRIORITY TO INVESTIGATE. THE SECOND PORTION OF THAT IS THAT THE ZONING DEPARTMENT WOULD ACCEPT COMPLAINTS MADE IN WRITING ON A FORM A MADE AVAILABLE EITHER AT THE ZONING OFFICE OR ON THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE AND COMPLAINTS WILL BE ACCEPTED OVER THE PHONE AS LONG AS THERE IS SUFFICIENT INFORMATION FOR THE ZONING INSPECTOR TO ESSENTAILLY COMPLETE THAT FORM. IT SOLIDIFIES THE POLICY THAT TOWNSHIP AND ADMININSTRATION WILL STRIVE TO MAINTAIN COFIDENTIALITY OF THE IDENTITY OF ANYONE WHO FILES A COMPLAINT OF A POTENTIAL ZONING VIOLATION TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW. MS. STEIMLE STATED THAT LEGAL COUNSEL TOLD HER THAT A RESOLUTION WAS NOT NEEDED, THAT IT CAN BE ADOPTED BY A MOTION. MS. STEIMLE MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE TATE TOWNSHIP ZONING ENFORCEMENT POLICY, INCLUDING THE STEPS ONE, TWO, AND THREE, DISCUSSED AND SUBMITTED TODAY TO BECOME THE POLICY OF ENFORCEMENT OF THE ZONING RESOLUTION BY THE ZONING INSPECTOR. MR. DURBIN 2ND THE MOTION. ROLL CALL: MS. STEIMLE, YES, MR. WILSON, YES, MR. DURBIN, YES.

MR. WILSON ANNOUNCED THAT ON AUGUST 25, 2026 MIKE PARRY FROM GRANT CAREER CENTER WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE TO MAKE A PRESENTATION. REPRESENTATIVES FROM RUMPKE AND REPUBLIC WILL RETURN TO DISCUSS GARBAGE COLLECTION. MS. STEIMLE WILL SPEAK WITH HANNAH LUEBERS AND SEE IF SHE HAS SEEN ANY INTEREST IN FORMING A CONSORTIUM. MR. DURBIN COMMENTED THAT RUMPKE HAS CORRECTED THE CODE SO THE INVOICE NOW SHOWS A BREAKDOWN OF CHARGES.

MR. DURBIN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN, 2ND BY MR. WILSON.