

The Champion Township Trustees held a regular meeting on April 7, 2026, at 6 pm, at the Township Administration Building, 240 Marshall Ave, for the purpose of conducting Township business.

Chairman Emerine called the meeting to order.

Fiscal Officer Miller took roll call:

Trustee Jeffers, Trustee Emerine and Trustee York were all present.

All present joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Emerine reminded the public present to not interrupt the meeting and to please save all comments for the public session at the end of the meeting.

Chairman Emerine made the following announcements:

1. The next monthly township meeting will be held on April 21, 2026, at 6 pm, at the Township Administration building located at 240 Marshall Ave.
2. A special meeting will be held at the Township Administration Building, 240 Marshall Ave. on Thursday April 9, 2026, at 2 pm. Executive session will be entered under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 121.22 (G) (4) to conduct negotiations/bargaining sessions with the Ohio Patrolman's Benevolent Association (OPBA).

New Business

G2026-58: Trustee York made a motion to approve the receipt of the March Financial Reports to include: Cash Summary by Fund, Revenue Summary, Fund Ledger, Appropriation Status, and Purchase Order (PO) Status. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

G2026-59: Trustee York made a motion to approve the March Warrant Payment Listing in the amount of \$70,948.98. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

G2026-60: Trustee York made a motion to approve the March Electronic Funds (EFT) Report in the amount of \$205,743.76. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

G2026-61: Trustee York made a motion to approve the March Credit Card Payment Report in the amount of \$1,606.54. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

G2026-62: Trustee York made a motion to approve the January and February Meeting Minutes as submitted. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

G2026-63: Trustee York made a motion to approve the Emergency Interfund Advance from the General Fund to the Police Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00 to enable payroll and payment of other operating expenses. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

G2026-64: Trustee York made a motion to approve an additional Interfund Advance of \$50,000.00 from the General Fund to the Police Fund to cover operating expenses until the first half tax settlement is received. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York - Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

R2026-65: Trustee York made a motion to approve the establishment of a Storm Clean-up program, beginning April 13, 2026, for 4 weeks, per a posted schedule to be put together by Working Foreman Davis and posted. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

G2026-66: Trustee York made a motion to receive the Adult Use Cannabis revenue money into the General Fund, account 1000-599-001, as recommended by the Auditor of State Bulletin 2025-003. First receipt was in the amount of \$56.80 for the month of February. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

F2026-67: Trustee York made a motion to approve, with appreciation, multiple donations to the Fire Department, to total \$200.00, in memory of Janice Arndt, as well as, an additional \$100 anonymous donation to the Champion Fire Department. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

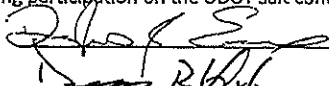
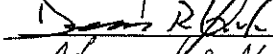
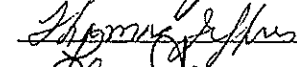
R2026-68: Trustee York made a motion to approve the following Resolution authorizing participation in the ODOT Road Salt Contracts Awarded in 2026. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: - Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION
IN THE ODOT ROAD SALT CONTRACTS AWARDED IN 2026**

WHEREAS, Champion Township (hereinafter referred to as the "Political Subdivision") hereby submits this written agreement to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) annual road salt bid in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5513.01(B) and hereby agrees to all of the following terms and conditions in its participation of the ODOT road salt contract:

- a. The Political Subdivision hereby agrees to be bound by all terms and conditions established by ODOT in the road salt contract and acknowledges that upon award of the contract by the Director of ODOT it shall be bound by all such terms and conditions included in the contract; and
- b. The Political Subdivision hereby acknowledges that upon the Director of ODOT's signing of the road salt contract, it shall effectively form a contract between the awarded salt supplier and the Political Subdivision; and
- c. The Political Subdivision agrees to be solely responsible for resolving all claims or disputes arising out of its participation in the ODOT road salt contract and agrees that each party hereto shall be responsible for liability associated with that party's own errors, actions, and failures to act.
- d. The Political Subdivision's electronic order for Sodium Chloride (Road Salt) will be the amount the Political Subdivision agrees to purchase from its awarded salt supplier at the delivered bid price per ton awarded by the Director of ODOT; and
- e. The Political Subdivision hereby agrees to purchase a minimum of 85% of its electronically submitted salt quantities from its awarded salt supplier during the contract's effective period; and
- f. The Political Subdivision hereby agrees to place orders with and directly pay the awarded salt supplier on a net 30 basis for all road salt it receives pursuant to ODOT salt contract; and
- g. The Political Subdivision acknowledges that should it wish to rescind this participation agreement it will do so by written, emailed request by no later than Friday, May 1, by 5:00 p.m. The written, emailed request to rescind this participation agreement must be received by the ODOT Office of Contract Sales, Purchasing Section email: Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov by the deadline. The Department, upon receipt, will respond that it has received the request and that it has effectively removed the Political Subdivision's participation request. Furthermore, it is the sole responsibility of the Political Subdivision to ensure ODOT has received this participation agreement as well as the receipt of any request to rescind this participation agreement. The Department shall not be held responsible or liable for failure to receive a Political Subdivision's participation agreement and/or a Political Subdivision's request to rescind its participation agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the following authorized person(s) that this participation agreement for the ODOT road salt contract is hereby approved, funding has been authorized, and the Political Subdivision agrees to the above terms and conditions regarding participation on the ODOT salt contract:

	(Authorized Signature)	4/7/26	Approval Date
	(Authorized Signature)	4/7/26	Approval Date
	(Authorized Signature)	4/7/26	Approval Date
	(Authorized Signature)	4/7/26	Approval Date
_____	(Authorized Signature)	_____	Approval Date

THIS RESOLUTION MUST BE UPLOADED TO THE SALT PARTICIPATION WEBSITE BY NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2026.

PLEASE NOTE: THE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT ACCEPT TYPED SIGNATURES. PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS SUBMITTED WITH TYPED SIGNATURES WILL BE INVALID AND INELIGIBLE FOR APPROVAL. YOU CANNOT SUBMIT A WORD DOCUMENT VERSION OF THIS PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT. NO EXCEPTIONS.

G2026-69: Trustee York made a motion to approve participating in the Sedgwick Group Retrospective Rating Program for 2027. Enrollment fee is \$1,220.00 for the enrollment period of January 1, 2027, to December 31, 2027. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

Discussion was held regarding having Fire Levy Information Meetings and it was decided to have a meeting on Wednesday April 22, 2026, at 6 pm, and Saturday April 25, 2026, at 1 pm. Both meetings will be held at the Township Administration Building.

Discussion was held on having the Township Facility Buildings opt out of the County Gas Aggregate and sign up with Energy Harbor at a rate of \$4.49 per mcf fixed for 36 months with no additional fees or early termination fee. The County Aggregate is \$4.919 per mcf. Trustee York made a motion to move to Energy Harbor. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine - Yes.

Discussion was held regarding the Central Property and Playground. At this time, it is not for sale. If it is put up for sale it will be done with a realtor or under auction. There has been an offer made but no decision has been made to accept it. The School Board is interested in a portion of the property adjacent to the bus garage. No official offer or portion size has been proposed from the School Board. Trustee Emerine assured that the School Board would get the option to purchase what they need for the bus garage when the timing is right for them and the Township. The Road Department maintains the site. The Central Property does not offer any advantages to even qualify for Park grants. There was discussion of having another survey for the residents to voice their opinions about the property and possible uses for it.

Department Reports

Zoning Inspector Gerry Brown presented the following Zoning Department Report for the month of March:

City/Twp/Village: Champion			Mar-26			
Parcel #	Permit Description	Permit #	Permit Date	Est. Constr. Cost	Property Owner Name	Property Address
46-027255	pole building	543	3/10/2026	\$ 49,000.00	Michael Kather	5733 N Park, Warren, Ohio 44481
46-228100	skate ramp	544	3/13/2026	\$ 200.00	David Silvers	5293 Alva Ave, Warren, Ohio 44483
46-079800	porch	545	3/13/2026	\$ 5,000.00	Daelle Gearhart	5359 Mahoning Ave, Warren, Ohio 44483
46-114540	fence	546	3/17/2026	\$ 500.00	William Gadd	955 Prentice Rd Warren, Ohio 44481
46-901966	new construction	547	3/18/2026	\$ 325,000.00	Barbara Antonelli	364 Aspen Dr Warren, Ohio 44483
46-172111	outbuilding	548	3/23/2026	\$ 160,000.00	Daniel Vonhanel	4117 Kincaid Rd, warren, Ohio 44481
46-051176	fence	549	3/20/2026	\$ 5,500.00	Brooklyn Wilson	700 Center St, Warren, Ohio 44481
46-074060	fence	550	3/23/2026	\$ 3,800.00	Sean Ann Sanders	392 Earl Dr, Warren, Ohio 44483
46-903620	addition	551	3/24/2026	\$ 30,000.00	Daniel Burkholder	625 Bristol champion Townline, Warren, Ohio 44481
46-302930	outbuilding	552	3/24/2026	\$ 16,000.00	Ashley & Andrew Smith	415 Champion Ave E, Warren, Ohio 44483
46-187791	fence	553	3/24/2026	\$ 2,900.00	Antown & Sonja Pugh	273 Stewart Ave, Warren, Ohio 44483
46-375245	deck	554	3/27/2026	\$ 2,500.00	Matthew Keefer	357 Meadowview Cr, Warren, Ohio 44483
46-103315	fence	555	3/27/2026	\$ 12,476.50	Martin Mounts	5541 Mahoning Ave, Warren, Ohio 44483

Inspector Brown reviewed the upcoming hall rentals for the public.

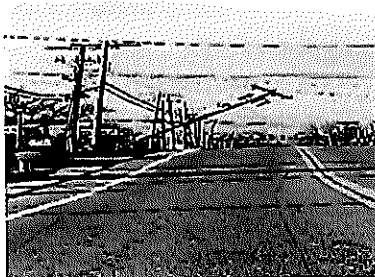
Police Chief Larry Skaggs presented the following Police Department Report for the month of March:



CHAMPION POLICE DEPARTMENT



MARCH 2026



Month	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
January	256	471	494	393	514
February	266	471	484	367	502
March	325	538	448	516	583
April	324	541	572	547	
May	333	545	557	530	
June	324	535	549	515	
July	494	633	581	582	
August	345	576	563	570	
September	424	586	502	519	
October	518	465	539	493	
November	435	424	535	465	
December	363	452	511	498	

Traffic Crash Investigations	17
Traffic Stops	196
Citations Issued	35
Adult Arrests	6
Juvenile Arrests	0
Warrant Arrests	3
Domestic Violence / Disputes	2
	1
Incident Reports	40
OVI's	6

Mutual Aid Calls: 3 Asst other agency
2 Asst CPD

NOTES:

*Two altercations were reported at the Beach House Bar during this period. One assault was determined to be unfounded after the victim was determined to be the instigator. The other assault was investigated, and felony charges were filed with additional charges possible upon review by the Trumbull County Grand Jury.

*Multiple hit-skip crashes have been reported in the last four weeks. Four have been solved and suspects have charges pending. One crash is still an open investigation and charges are pending.

*BCI has completed the investigation into the Officer Involved Shooting incident from Oct 12, 2025 and has sent it to the Trumbull County Prosecutor's Office for review.

*Officers are continuing to monitor the construction site on Educational Highway (Mercy

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CHAMPION POLICE DEPARTMENT



MARCH 2026

Health) several times each shift to prevent theft and or criminal damaging. Multiple citations have been issued in the area and are related to the TCTC dismissal.

*Officer Lowery and K9 Storm recovered unit doses of Heroin / Fentanyl from a traffic stop and the suspect has been indicted by the Trumbull County Grand Jury.

*OVI Checkpoint was conducted by the Trumbull County OVI Taskforce on March 12th. Another has been scheduled in May.

*On March 13th units responded and assisted with nearly 20 calls for trees and wires down throughout the township with Fire and Road Department personnel.

ADMIN:

*Officer Lowery completed 3 days of training at Kent State University related to cell phone technology and geo-fence search warrants. The training referenced updated US Supreme Court cases changing the ability of law enforcement to obtain certain technology search warrants.

*Officer Pascoe received a written commendation from TCTC Superintendent Jason Gray for her off-duty work. Carol helped a young teenager with drivers training and obtaining her license. Carol met the teenager during a traffic stop and learned the teen did not have the resources to complete the requirements.

*CPD is still having difficulty with IDNetworks and validating RMS incident reports. A 24/7 computer has been installed at the station to allow IDNetworks to remotely configure the data that is required to be reported to the federal and state governments.

*CPD 59 has been repaired from New Years crash when Officer Pascoe was rear-ended by an OVI driver.

REMINDER:

*Prescription Drug Take Back is available 7 days a week for residents at the station.

*Lock your doors and do not leave valuables visible in your car.

Fire Chief Tom Dempsey presented the following Fire Department Report for the month of March:



CHAMPION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

139 Champlon Street West • Warren, OH 44483 • Phone (330) 847-0311 • Fax (330) 847-0318
Fire Chief Thomas Dempsey

April 7, 2026

To: Champion Township Board of Trustees
Mr. Doug Emerine
Mr. Dean "Rick" York
Mr. Thomas Jeffers
Mrs. Laurie Jo Miller, Fiscal Officer

From: Thomas Dempsey, Fire Chief

Personnel:

- > Nothing to report.

Public Relations/ Public Education:

- > Two Fire Safety inspections were completed.
- > 10 Smoke detectors installed.

Vehicle and Equipment Status:

- > T21 Air Braked QR valve repaired.
- > T21 belts replaced.
- > M20 PM / Tire rotation
- > M20 Rear door latched repaired.
- > M21 PM / Tire rotation
- > CH21 Pm / Tire Rotation
- > ENG21 Hydraulic leak repaired.
- > ENG21 Pump governor repaired.
- > E21 water gauge repaired.
- > Hurst Tools serviced

March Alarms

Total Calls: 227

EMS: 103

Fire: 44

Consecutive Calls: 42

Facility Status:

- > Annual separator crock pumped.
- > Front hydrant serviced.
- > Station bay drains cleaned.

Training:

- > 6 hours EMS Training (Special needs peds)
- > 9 hours Fire Training (Hose Deployment)

Other:

Yocum has started Medic school and is doing well.



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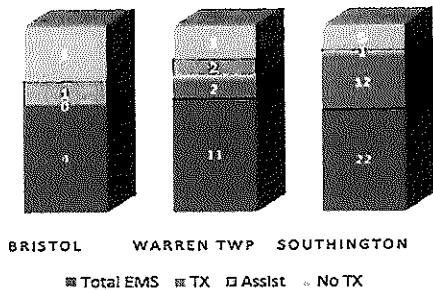
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2025 MUTUAL AID REPORT

From To

OTHER	1	
BAZETTA	2	
BRISTOL	5	
WARREN TWP	11	
SOUTHINGTON	23	
TOTAL	48	

EMS BREAKDOWN



Road Department Working Foreman Shawn Davis presented the Road and Cemetery Department Report for the month of March:



March 2026

- Cold patched roads several times
- Cleaned up shop, moved things around, and organized
- Cleaned up berm and fixed yards
- Took plows and spreaders off trucks, put the plows in front garage, and spreaders on carts in back garage
- Installed 80' of 12" double wall pipe on Leslie
- Cleaned off basins in the allotments
- Cut down tree at Angel Ct. and Airport due to site problem
- Cleaned up branches from storm
- Got chipper truck ready
- Fixed graves in the cemetery
- What are we doing for scrap tire clean up?
- Limb clean up?
- Need to hire seasonal cemetery workers
- Worked at Administration building kitchen is done
- Need another 1 ton truck



- We need to get the loader bucket fixed it has several holes in it and cutting edge is bad.
- Penetrate patch this year again-April 28th
 - CRS-2- \$7,700.00
 - #8 limestone- \$7,310.00
 - Total - \$15,000.00
- Crack patch- \$5,760.00
- Need to do a crosspipe on Downs 30' of 12" double wall pipe and cement basin with grate
 - \$320.00 for pipe
 - \$510.00 for Basin and Grate
 - = \$830.00
- Need to do crosspipe at end of Shaffer South 20" x 30" squash pipe 50' long waiting on quotes
- Paving 2027- Vesey, Holmes, Edward, Fairlane, and Cleveland East
- Started Clearing House just had to sit down with guys and put there information in the system

The Scrap Tire Collection Date was set for May 9, 2026, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Residents must get an admission pass from the Fiscal Office personnel on the following dates: Thursday March 30, 2026, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Friday May 1, 2026, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm; Thursday May 7, 2026, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm; and Friday May 8, 2026, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The maximum number of tires that can be accepted is 1,000.

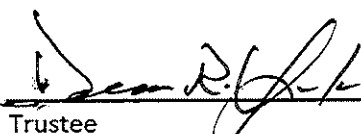
C2026-70: Trustee York made a motion to hire Mickey Beechy for the open Cemetery seasonal position pending the result of the necessary drug test and background check. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine – Yes.

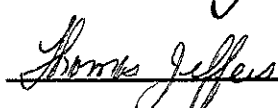
Public Comment

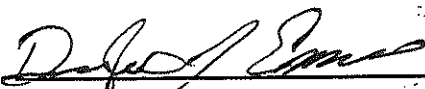
Richard Dearth, 5585 Chapel Hill South, requested the Trustees establish a committee now to begin work for the Township's 200th anniversary in 5 years. Trustees were in agreement and Trustee Jeffers and Chairman Emerine advised they would be willing to be on the committee.

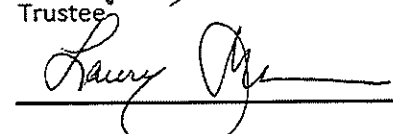
Silas Dozier, 6158 Shafer Road, asked about the surrounding communities' responses to the Mutual Aid Agreement sent out by Chief Dempsey. Chairman Emerine is hoping for another meeting with community officials by April 15, 2026. No billing for Mutual Aid will be sent until agreements are signed by all parties. Mr. Dozier also inquired if there are any resolutions on file for the purpose of keeping data centers out of Champion Township. Chairman Emerine asked that the Zoning Board consider this matter. Inspector Brown informed the meeting participants that the Trumbull County Planning Commission is putting together the necessary information regarding this topic.

Trustee York made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; and Chairman Emerine – Yes.


Trustee


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Fiscal Officer

The Champion Township Board of Trustees had a Special Meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 2:00 pm, at the Champion Township Administration Building, 240 Marshall Ave, for the purpose of conducting negotiations with the Ohio Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association (OPBA).

Chairman Emerine called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken by Fiscal Officer Miller:

Trustee York: present
Trustee Emerine: present
Trustee Jeffers: present

Trustee York made a motion to enter into Executive Session under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 121.22 (G) (4) to conduct negotiations / bargaining sessions with the Ohio Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association (OPBA). Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; Chairman Emerine – Yes.

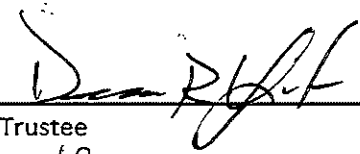
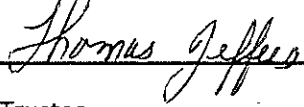
Also present for the Executive Session were Jeff Perry, Dan Wasko, Mike Lowry, and Attorney Dan Letson.

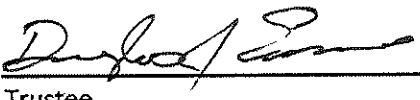
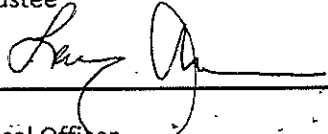
The parties continued to work through contract content.

Trustee Jeffers made a motion to exit Executive Session. Trustee York seconded. Roll call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; Chairman Emerine – Yes.

The next meeting was set for May 7, 2026, at 1:30 pm, at the Township Administration Building.

Trustee York made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; Chairman Emerine – Yes.


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Fiscal Officer

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Roll Call was taken by Fiscal Officer Miller: Trustee Jeffers, Trustee Emerine and Trustee York were all present.

All present at this time everyone present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Emerine reminded the public present to not interrupt the meeting and to please save all comments for the public comment session at the end of the meeting.

Chairman Emerine made the following announcements:

1. The next monthly Township Meeting will be held on May 5, 2026, at 6 pm at the Township Administration Building, located at 240 Marshall Ave. Warren, OH 44483.
2. Fire Levy Informational Meetings will be held at 6:30 pm, Wednesday April 22, 2026, and Saturday April 25, 2026, at 1:00 pm at the Township Administration Building at 240 Marshall Ave. Warren, OH. All residents are invited.
3. A Health Care Cost Containment Committee Meeting will be held on April 28, 2026, at 2:30 pm, at the Township Administration Building. Representatives from Oswald Insurance will be present.

New Business

G2026-71: Trustee York made a motion to approve the establishment of a separate account in the General Fund for tracking expenditures, relating to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Park Grant, not to exceed \$65,000, and taking the Township portion from the General Fund, not the Park Fund. This is a reimbursable grant with the township portion being \$15,329.54 and the ODNR grant award being \$45,989. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; Chairman Emerine – Yes.

A Champion Township Facilities Use Request Form, submitted by Champion Boys Soccer, for Central Fields for practice during the summer months was approved. Hold Harmless and Proof of Insurance Forms have been provided. It is expected that the Champion Boys Soccer Team Coaches and the Champion Youth Soccer League will coordinate the scheduling amongst each other.

Old Business

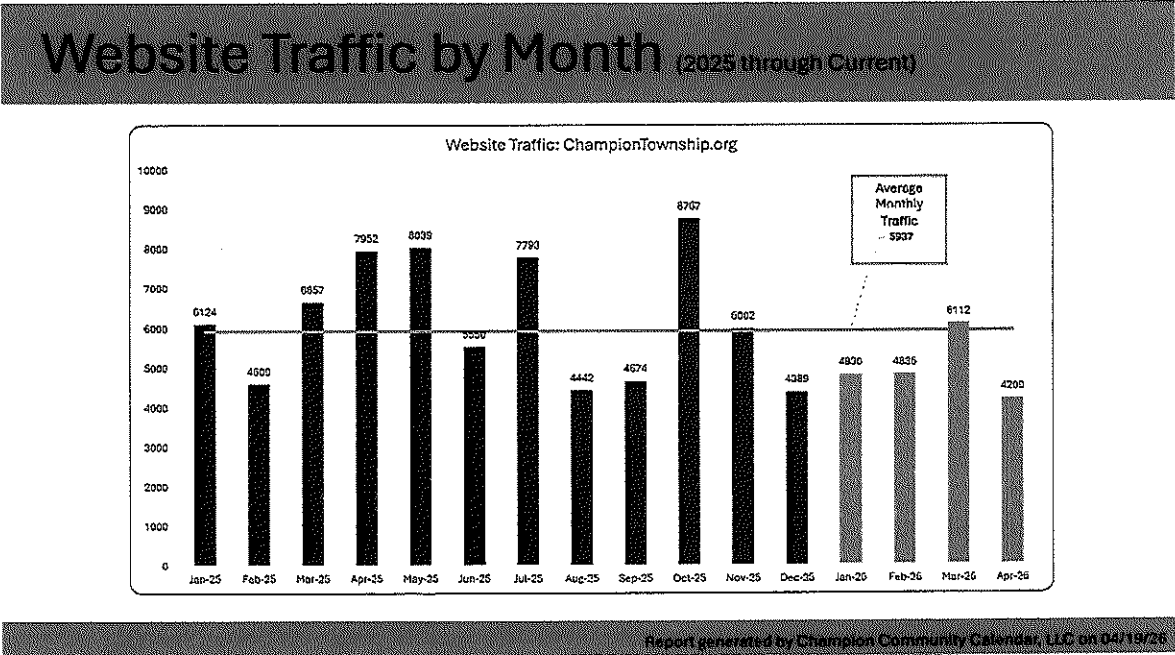
The specifics and procedures of the Scrap Tire Clean-up, scheduled for May 9, 2026, were reviewed.

There will be a follow up meeting on May 1, 2026, at 11 am, with surrounding community representatives regarding Mutual Aid. It was noted that the public was welcome to attend.

The first half tax settlement has been received. Fiscal Officer Miller has completed interfund transfers to return all funds that were advanced to the Police Department back to the General Fund.

Correspondence

Fiscal Officer Miller presented the following report on the Champion Township Website (www.championtownship.org) traffic.



She has been making a concerted effort to get relevant information posted. The following documents were just recently uploaded: Branch Pick up, Scrap tire Clean up, County Aggregate info, and Information regarding the Fire Levy. Township departments are encouraged to submit community announcements for publication on the website, rather than just on the individual department websites.

Fiscal Officer Miller reported that the Auditor has returned the 2024 and 2025 Township Records and the Audit Report will follow soon.

Other

Chairman Emerine mentioned he has been wondering if Trustees should consider bringing the Parking Commission back. Parking on streets is not permitted from 12 am to 5 am.

Chairman Emerine recommended that a second meeting be added each month, to enable Trustees to discuss with each Department Head the Department needs and concerns. This meeting would be more like a Workshop and while open to the public, there would be no public comments taken. The Departments would rotate so each Department would have a workshop quarterly.

Public Comment

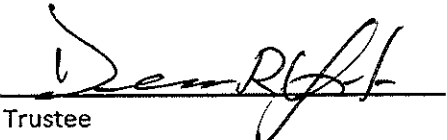
Melissa Palmer, 2336 Clearview, has a complaint about her neighbor’s chickens running onto her property. She is the landlord and has lost tenants as a result of this problem. This particular neighbor has had chickens on her property prior to the current zoning amendment. However, Ms. Palmer wants proof of this and written proof of an approval of the building of the current Chicken Coop. Township Trustees advised her that, unfortunately, this neighbor has been “grandfathered in” and doesn’t have to follow the zoning amendment disallowing chickens. Zoning Inspector Gerry Brown spoke with Rhonda Fonce, the prior Zoning Inspector, and she confirmed. Ms. Palmer insists that the township provide records regarding this problem and wants the Township Records Administrator to look for these records dating back over 20 years. The Zoning Inspector, Police Chief, and Township Records Administrator have looked for relevant files. It is not known if any records actually exist. This is not a feasible request and the Township Records Administrator has consulted with township attorney and she has advised that we have satisfied the extent of our obligation. Ms. Palmer does not agree with the position of the attorney and she insists there should be a search for the information she is interested in. Chairman Emerine responded that Ms. Palmer’s problem has really become a civil complaint and she should handle it through an attorney. She was advised to call the police and file a

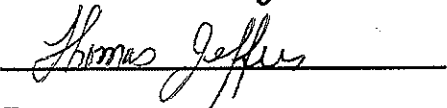
complaint so there would be documented evidence to support legal action. She was also provided the phone number for the prior Zoning Inspector who handled this issue so she could follow up with her directly.

Jack Besse, 381 Durst, inquired about what the zoning amendment about chickens says. He also asked if we had received any money from the JEDD. Trustees advised that the JEDD must fund itself first. Fiscal Officer Miller advised we have not received any information as to how much or when money would be received.

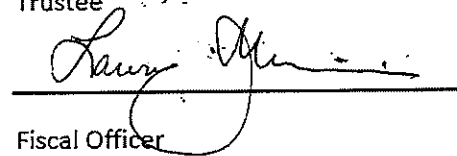
Silas Dozier, 6158 Shafer Road, inquired about Data Centers and it was reported that the Zoning Board has had difficulty getting in touch with Attorney Finamore.

Trustee York made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll Call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; Chairman Emerine – Yes.


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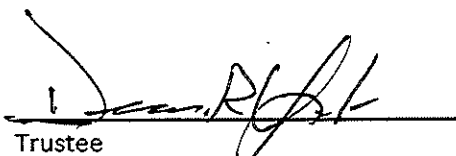
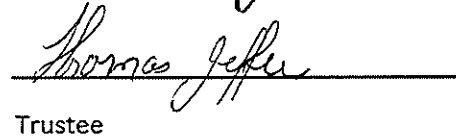
The Champion Township Trustees held a Special Meeting on April 28, 2026, at 2:30 pm, at 240 Marshall Ave, for the purpose of reviewing Health Care cost data and proposals from Oswald Insurance with the township Cost Containment Committee.

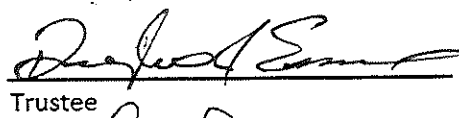
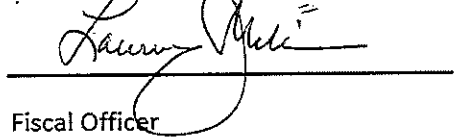
Roll Call was taken by Fiscal Officer Miller: Trustee Jeffers, Trustee Emerine and Trustee York were all present. Also present were Landon Weaver, Dan Wasko, Mike Lowery, Tom Dempsey, Jonathan Massett, and Oswald Representatives Emma Corey and Joe LaGuardia.

Oswald advised that, based on their experience, Champion Township is generous. They proposed a couple different ideas to reduce township liability through transition to an HSA. Champion Township liability is approximately \$600,000. The Township had a good year and should expect an increase of no more than 7%.

Union officials were interested in knowing what the township actually spent on the HRA last year, not just what the maximum liability was.

Trustee York made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Jeffers seconded. Roll call vote was taken: Trustee Jeffers – Yes; Trustee York – Yes; Chairman Emerine – Yes.


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