

CLAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

May 5, 2026

The Regular meeting of the Clay Township Trustees was called to order by Chairman, Angela Howell at 5:30 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said and a moment of silence was observed for our active military, veterans, and first responders.

Roll: Angela Howell – Present

Dale Winner – Present

Mark Haworth – Present

Angela Howell presented the minutes from the Regular Trustee Meeting on 04/07/2026.

Angela Howell made a motion to approve the Regular Trustee Meeting Minutes from 04/07/2026, Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes

Public Comment:

Stefan Bridenbaugh and Duane Heuker both raised issues with finding broken field tiles around areas that the cable installation companies are directional boring in. Ernie Laycox provided concerns about trucking company issues (at the end of the meeting).

Department Reports:

Police Department-

Chief Birk presented the Life Saving Award to OFC. Lovins, OFC. Williams, OFC. Studzinski and citizen Sarah Goth for exemplifying the true spirit of citizenship by helping to save a citizen's life.

Chief Birk reports that the Cybersecurity training information has been sent to everyone and should be completed by May.

Chief Birk presented the April 2026 PD stats and the April 2026 Monthly Traffic Report.

The latest report shows a decrease for Calls for Service while Incident reports showed an increase.

Chief reports that thanks to our Road Dept he has been able to use the speed sign on the new community watch signs placed throughout the township, we will now be able to get traffic information for township roads and not just the county roads.

Angela Howell made a motion to accept into record the April 2026 Monthly PD Report. Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes.

Angela Howell made a motion to accept into record the April 2026 Monthly Traffic Report. Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes.
Road and Cemetery-

Chris Maleski presented the April 2026 Monthly Arlington Cemetery report, total monthly sales \$8,550.00.

Additionally, Chris provided the following project updates:

- Pleasant Plain Road Improvements Phase III: project will start early June 2026
- Chris presented the J&A Construction quotes for the spot asphalt repair and crack seal estimates for Temple Rd, Upper Lewisburg-Salem Rd at Wellbaum, and Blank Rd. Following a brief presentation, a general discussion was held regarding the proposals.

Angela Howell made a motion to accept into record the April 2026 Monthly Arlington Cemetery report, Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes

Dale Winner made a motion to accept the J&A proposals totalling \$25,935 for the following projects:

- Mill and fill (5") on Blank Road \$14,990.00
- Crack and Seal on Upper Lewisburg-Salem Road to Wellbaum Road \$4,975
- Crack and Seal on Temple Road from Dodson Road to Number Nine Road \$5,970.00

Seconded by Mark Haworth

Roll: All yes

Angela Howell acknowledged Public Service Appreciation Week and thanked Chris, Keith, and Dave for all of their hard work and dedication to the township.

Zoning -

Greg Stose presented the April 2026 Zoning Administrator report, total permits issued \$1300. Greg provided updates on all current code enforcement actions and department activities:

- EZ Trucking: 2 violation notices sent and permits being issued for asphaltting their lot.
- Quik Trip Site: Updates were provided on the current erosion control measures.
- Right of Way: Updates given regarding pending applications.
- Fiber Optic Installations: Public complaints regarding these installations are being reviewed
- Upcoming BZA meeting for lot split request

Mark Haworth stated he has received numerous calls about the other trucking company we are having issues with, 2Run LLC. Greg stated for any complaints received, per his OTA training, they recommend for documentation and tracking purposes that all issues be logged on our township complaint forms which are to be filled out by the individual with the issue. These forms are available at the building and on our website, but can also be emailed.

Angela Howell made a motion to accept into record the April 2026 Monthly Zoning Administrator report. Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes

Fiscal Officer Report

Vanessa Furrey absent, Angela Howell presented the March 2026 Financial Package. Angela Howell presented a letter from the Ohio Auditor of State acknowledging Vanessa for her attentiveness and swift action in identifying and redirecting a situation that could have resulted in a potential financial loss through a cybersecurity scam. Angela Howell thanked her for her great work in keeping the township safe.

Angela Howell made a motion to accept into record the March 2026 Financial Package. Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes

Angela Howell made a motion to approve the cemetery deeds as presented. Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes

Unfinished Business:

Angela Howell provided a summary of the meetings held to discuss the Village of Phillipsburg's request to consider a contract to provide police protection to the village. The purpose of this agreement is to promote the protection of lives and property for residents, businesses, and the general public and the village has expressed their current concerns and needs for their community and not being able to meet those. General discussion held with comments provided from Chief Birk and the Village of Phillipsburg's Mayor Josh Simpson. Mark Haworth requested a tax millage breakdown of what the residents will be paying.

Angela Howell presented Resolution 2026-017 Authorizing the Execution of a Contract for Police Protection between the Township of Clay and the Village of Phillipsburg per ORC 505.50. The contract terms are set in the attached agreement to be effective from May 11, 2026 through May 05, 2029.

Angela Howell made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-017 Authorizing the Execution of a Contract for Police Protection between the Township of Clay and the Village of Phillipsburg. Seconded by Dale Winner

Roll: Angela Howell – Yes

Dale Winner – Yes

Mark Haworth – No

New Business

Angela Howell presented Resolution 2026-018 Zoning Commission Appointment of Stefan Bridenbaugh as an alternate for the Clay Township Zoning Commission pursuant to ORC 519.04 effective immediately to term 12/31/2031. Stefan provided comments that he is glad to serve the township again.

Angela Howell made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-018 Zoning Commission Appointment of Stefan Bridenbaugh. Seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All yes

Dale Winner presented Resolution 2026-019 Authorizing the Adoption of the Permanent Appropriations for 2026 at the request of FO Vanessa Furrey. The final certificate packet was provided to all trustees.

Dale Winner made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-019 Authorizing the Adoption of the Permanent Appropriations for 2026. Seconded by Angela Howell.

Roll: All yes

Trustee Assignment Reports

Angela Howell provided Cybersecurity Updates:

The new server is on route and scheduled to be installed approximately 6/15/2026. Angela states a work session meeting will be needed to discuss Cybersecurity protocols, policies, procedures, and implementation to meet the HB 96 deadline of July 1, 2026.

Angela Howell attended the 2025 Montgomery County Engineer's Annual Luncheon. During the event, there was a general discussion regarding Clay Township and the current road construction projects.

Angela Howell presented the new electric aggregation agreement and updated the website.

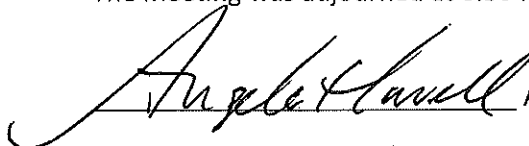
Mark Haworth provided updates on the JEDD. The last meeting, April 17, 2026 was cancelled and The City of Clayton will be doing a JEDD presentation at their next meeting on May 21, 2026.

Angela Howell mentioned a vacant alternate seat on the JEDD board. All relevant information has been sent to Mark Haworth to work on getting the position filled.

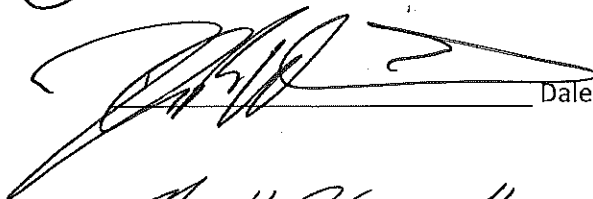
With no further business to discuss, Angela Howell made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:50 P.M., seconded by Dale Winner.

Roll: All Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM




Angela Howell, Chairman



Dale Winner, Trustee



Mark Haworth, Trustee



Attested, Vanessa Furrey, Fiscal Officer (ABSENT)