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Minutes

June 23, 2026

1. **Opening of Meeting**

Mr Unger called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
All trustees and the fiscal officer were present.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Meditation (Moment of Silence)**

4. **Approval of Minutes**

None

5. **Presentations**

a. Presentation by Hamilton County Auditor Jessica Miranda

Hamilton County Auditor Jessica Miranda provided an update on her office.

6. **Citizens Address**

Gene Brockert - He spoke about an issue with the boarded up CVS location next to him. He has worked with zoning about the issue. He mentioned the fence has been torn down and now his property has no privacy.

7. **Administrative Reports**

Ms Mays - She reminded everyone the fireworks are next Friday.

8. **Trustees' Report**

Ms Ulrich - Please come out to the 4th of July celebration. The street closures start at 6:00.

Mr Wahlert - Can Mr Brockert's issue be handled?

Mr Miller - Right now the sight is vacant. Dairy Queen is being developed. I don't know who paid for the current fence. There are sightliness that have to be maintained. Future discussions with developers should include the fence.

Mr Unger - He spoke about an issue with grass mowing on Blue Rock Rd. He mentioned that was a county issue. He spoke about the fireworks coming up.

9. **New Business**

Public Safety



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a. Discussion - Impoundment of Street Takeover Vehicles and Limited Home Rule Resolution

This item was first introduced by Trustee Wahlert at the June 9, 2026 Board of Trustee meeting. At that meeting, Trustee Wahlert requested feedback on the Township's ability to pass a limited-home rule resolution that would increase the penalties related to individuals engaging in "street takeovers". Two items were brought up for consideration and legal review: 1. The ability for the Township to impound vehicles for a period of up to six months 2. The ability for the Township to issue additional fees/fines for those engaging in street takeovers From an initial review, it does appear that the Township can adopt a limited-home rule resolution through which violations would result in a civil fine. There does not appear to be an additional criminal enforcement mechanism or impoundment mechanism under state law for Townships as these rights are limited to cities and villages in Ohio.

Discussion:

Mr Wahlert - My motivation was to throw the book at these people. It seems it will be an additional civil fine.

Lt Dorphlein - We can tow the vehicle and site for reckless opp.

Mr Unger - If you pull someone over, you can actually impound the car right then?

Lt Dorphlein - Yes we could.

Mr Unger - I don't think we're in a position to impound cars for 6 months.

Lt Dorphlein - Our impound lot does not have the capacity to hold cars for 6 months.

Mr Wahlert - Do we have a SOP when it comes to street takeovers?

Lt Dorphlein - It's all governed by the ORC.

b. Resolution Declaring Nuisance and Ordering Abatement

Lt Dorphlein recommended ADOPTION of Resolution #85-26.

Rationale: This resolution allows for the removal of uncontrolled vegetation and/or refuse at the following properties:

2414 Bluelark Dr.

4347 Day Rd.

4419 Day Rd.

5630 Dry Ridge Rd.

2689 Haverknoll Dr

10837 Invicta Cir.

9449 Loralinda Dr.

9838 Loralinda Dr.

8342 Lyness Dr.

3384 March Terr.

3392 March Terr.

9650 Marino Dr.

2566 Merrittview Ln.

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2262 Miles Rd.
3120 Niagara St .
3312 Niagara St.
3506 Niagara St.
3507 Niagara St.
3510 Niagara St.
3248 Rinda Ln.
8401 Royal Heights Dr.
9717 Sacramento Dr.
7949 Vegas Dr.
3165 Windsong Dr.

All properties that are abated by the Township will have their property taxes assessed in order to reimburse the Township for the abatement services. This resolution and the Township's abatement process comport with the Ohio Revised Code for nuisance violations.

Motion Ms Ulrich, Seconded Mr Wahlert

No discussion.

Vote - Ms Ulrich - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes

Resolution passed.

c. Resolution Declaring a Junk Motor Vehicle - 9458 Coogan Drive.

Lt Dorphlein recommended ADOPTION of Resolution #86-26.

Rationale: Recommend Adoption of the Motion to Declare and Order Abatement of the Junk Motor Vehicle at the Following Property: 9458 Coogan Dr. Cincinnati, OH 45231 (OH) KHJ1994, 2015, Black, Jeep, Compass.

Motion Mr Unger, Seconded Mr Wahlert

No discussion.

Vote - Ms Ulrich - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes

Resolution passed.

d. Motion to Issue Noise Resolution Permit to St. John the Baptist Church

Recommend ADOPTION of the Motion.

Rationale: The request for the permit is for the 2026 Parish Festival to be held on the following dates/times: 6:00 PM to 12:00 AM on 7/31/2026, 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM on 8/1/2026, and 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM on 8/2/2026.

Motion Mr Wahlert, Seconded Ms Ulrich

No discussion.

All voted Yes. Motion approved.

e. Resolution Declaring Property as a Vacant Registrable Property - 2885 Regal Lane

Lt Dorphlein recommended ADOPTION of Resolution #87-26.

Rationale: The Code Enforcement Review Board (CERB) held a case and hearing on the property below to consider it as vacant. Based on review, the CERB passed a



motion to recommend that the Board of Trustees declare this property vacant and to resolve that it be registered, and fees assessed against the property at the address below:
2885 Regal Lane

Motion Mr Unger, Seconded Mr Wahlert

No discussion.

Vote - Ms Ulrich - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes

Resolution passed.

Public Services

- a. Motion to Issue RFP seeking Public-Private-Partnership at Groesbeck Park for Youth Sports

Over the past several years, the level of use and bookings of Groesbeck Park for summer baseball has been inconsistent. Outside of the baseball use, there are limited other amenities for use by the general public and staff believes that the park could be reactivated through a public private partnership. The goal of this RFP is to improve park visibility, usage, and to generate economic interest in the Groesbeck neighborhood of the Township. The Township is seeking a public-private partnership that can result in yearround use of the park and generate revenue to aid with current and future park improvements. Issuance of this RFP will not obligate the Township to make any changes to the park. This is intended to be exploratory to see what interest may exist from outside entities. In a desire to keep consistent with existing park usage, the Township is seeking responses from youth sports entities. However, the Township is encouraging all entities to apply, regardless of sport or concept.

Motion Ms Ulrich, Seconded Mr Unger

No discussion:

All voted Yes.

Motion approved.

Development

Administration

- a. Motion Amending the Township's Cyber Liability Policy and Adopting a Cybersecurity Program

Mr McElravy recommended ADOPTION of Resolution #88-26..

Rationale: The state of Ohio adopted additional rules and regulations regarding cyber security for municipalities. Colerain Township currently meets all of the requirements set by the state of Ohio. However, the State does require that in addition to meeting the regulations, each municipality must adopt a policy that aligns with the state rules and



regulations. This resolution would update the Township's cyber liability policy to align with the state's requirements. This is due to be adopted by July 1st, 2026.

Motion Mr Unger, Seconded Ms Ulrich

Discussion:

Mr Wahlert - Does this apply like an umbrella policy?

Mr McElravy - This policy is specific to the township itself.

Vote - Ms Ulrich - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes

Resolution passed.

b. First Reading: Resolution Adopting Legislative Priorities for 2027-2031

Rationale: At the June 9, 2026 Board of Trustee meeting, Administrator Weckbach gave a review of the strategic plan survey results and of the community conversations that have been held over the past six months. The goal of this exercise was to evaluate our existing goals and to see if any of them should be modified for future strategic plans. The Township's existing goals are: 1 - Chart a pathway to long term financial stability 2 - Continue to provide high quality safety services 3 - Revitalization of the community through economic development, beautification, and code enforcement 4 - Expand opportunities for recreation for all ages 5 - Continue to focus on improving operations with a focus on alternative service delivery 6 - Make progress on deferred maintenance and reposition existing assets

This goals were shifted in the initial resolution based on Trustee feedback. It was stated in the board meeting that Public Safety should be a our number one goal. Deferred maintenance on roads was also given priority and consideration by the board and has been adjusted up as well.

The survey suggested that goal five was the least popular goal, followed by goals four and six. Should the Trustees desire to replace one of these goal areas, there was a large desire to focus on building connections throughout the community. A potential goal for consideration would be:

Create connections in the community through communication, events, and changes to the physical landscape.

Staff seeks feedback from the Trustees on this first reading and will make any adjustments as necessary. This is the first step in our multi-year strategic plan. The next step will be to develop outcome targets to determine if we are achieving success on our goals. We will then identify initiatives (or tactics and programs) that will help move the needle as we work toward a better future for Colerain Township.

10. **Old Business**



11. Consent Items

- a. Donation Acceptance — Department of Fire and EMS — Cincinnati Moose Lodge #2 — \$1,299.41 (Checks)
Colerain Township Department of Fire and EMS is grateful for a \$1,299.41 donation from Cincinnati Moose Lodge #2.
- b. Donation Acceptance — Department of Fire and EMS — Jackson Family — \$300.00 (3 x \$100.00 Kroger Gift Cards)
Colerain Township Department of Fire and EMS is grateful for a \$300.00 donation from the Jackson Family.
- c. Donation Acceptance - Police Department - From Moose Lodge No. 2- \$1,299.41
The Police Department is grateful for the donation from Moose Lodge No. 2.
- d. Contract - Mars Court Stormwater Repairs - \$9,999
The cost of this agreement will be \$9,999 and is related to stormwater infrastructure.
- e. New Hire - Police Department - Police Cadets - \$27.50/hour
The position of Police Officer was posted, applications were received and interviews conducted. A conditional offer of employment was extended to Isaac Kreamelemeyer and Isaiah Jones.
Isaac Kreamelemeyer is currently attending the Great Oaks Police Academy, and Isaiah Jones is currently attending the Butler Tech Police Academy. Both are anticipated to complete the academy in September of 2026.
The wage for this job is \$27.50 per hour for 40 hours per week. Contingent upon Board approval, both would be eligible to begin work after June 24, 2026.
Upon passing the state of Ohio OPOTA test, both will assume the role of a Police Officer. The 2026 wage for this job is \$38.10 per hour for 40 hours per week
- f. New Hire - Police Officer - Police Department - Kennedy Sizemore - \$38.10/hour
The position of Police Officer was posted, applications were received and interviews conducted. A conditional offer of employment was extended to the following individual: Kennedy Sizemore.
The wage for this job is \$38.10 per hour for 40 hours per week. Contingent upon Board approval, he would be eligible to begin work on June 24, 2026.
- g. New Hire - Police Officer - Police Department - Mackaye Rainey - \$45.72/hour
The position of Police Officer was posted, applications were received and interviews conducted. A conditional offer of employment was extended to the following individual: Mackaye Rainey.
The wage for this job is \$45.72 per hour for 40 hours per week. Contingent upon Board approval, he would be eligible to begin work on June 24, 2026.
- h. New Hire - Part-time Firefighter/EMT - Department of Fire and EMS - Braden Imhoff - \$18.29 hour

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The position of Part-Time Firefighter/EMT was posted, applications were received, and interviews were conducted. A conditional offer of employment was extended to the following individual:

- Braden Imhoff

The wage for this job is \$18.29 per hour for less than 30 hours per week. Contingent upon Board approval, they would be eligible to begin work on June 21, 2026.

Motion to approve all consent items, Mr Unger, Seconded Ms Ulrich
All voted Yes. All consent items approved.

12. **Fiscal Office Report**

The bank reconciliation for the month of May has been completed with an adjusted bank balance of \$40,606,684.64.

13. **Executive Session**

Ms Mays recommended the board of trustees convene into executive session in accordance with ORC section 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss the promotion of a public employee and also in accordance with ORC section 121.22 (G)(4) to discuss collective bargaining sessions.

Motion Mr Unger, Seconded Ms Ulrich

Vote - Ms Ulrich - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes.

Executive session convened at 7:01pm.

Mr Unger called the meeting back to order at 7:29pm.

All trustees and the fiscal officer were present.

Ms Mays requested a motion to allow the township administrator to assign the Fire Chief position to Will Mueller.

Motion, Mr Wahlert, Seconded Mr Unger

All voted Yes. Motion approved.

14. **Adjournment**

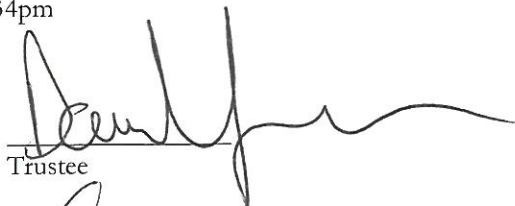
Motion to adjourn Mr Wahlert, Seconded Ms Ulrich

All voted Yes.

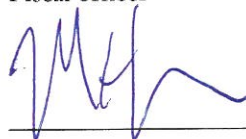
Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm



Fiscal officer



Trustee



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