

All Trustees were present for this regular meeting presided over by Chairman Samec. Chairman Samec called the meeting to order by asking everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Also Attending: Derek Reed, Ray Sheets, Dan Spicer and Mike Glista

Dorene Spicer made the motion to accept the minutes seconded by Dave Kemble.

ZONING

Danny Spicer reported that Zoning was cancelled and Kara Suzelis is almost done with the zoning book. Dan Spicer is hoping to have a meeting towards the end of January if not it will be February 13, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Shearer Community Center.

REGIONAL PLANNING

Dave Kemble attended the Regional Planning meeting and Christine Graycroft from Portage Parks district talked about grants received.

PARIS TOWNSHIP CERTIFIED ROAD MILEAGE

Dorene Spicer reported the County Engineer’s office sending out the 2024 Certified Road mileage report for the Trustees to sign. Paris Township has 9.063 miles of township roadway.

ALTICE/SPECTRUM

Dorene Spicer reported that Altice was bought out by Spectrum on December 31, 2024

SPECTRUM VIDEO SERVICE

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2025

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER FEE TO BE PAID BY ANY VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER OFFERING VIDEO SERVICE IN THE TOWNSHIP; AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO GIVE NOTICE TO THE VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER OF THE VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER FEE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly enacted Sections 1332.21 through 1332.34 of the Ohio Revised Code, effective September 24, 2007, to provide a statewide “uniform regulatory framework” for the provision of cable television and/or other video service (the “Video Law”); and

WHEREAS, under the Video Law a video service provider that is providing video service to subscribers in the Township pursuant to a state-issued video service authorization must pay the Township a video service provider fee (“VSP Fee”) based on a percentage of the provider’s gross revenues received from providing video service in the Township, not to exceed five percent (5%) of such gross revenues; and

WHEREAS, the Video Law requires that the percentage of gross revenues on which VSP Fees are paid must be the same as the percentage of gross revenues that a cable operator pays pursuant to a franchise agreement that is in effect in the Township (the VSP Fee Percentage”) or, if there is no effective franchise agreement under which franchise fees are payable for a given calendar quarter, the VSP Fee percentage shall be zero percent (0%) of gross revenues unless the Township

determines by Resolution that the VSP Fee will be a percentage of gross revenues not to exceed five percent (5%) of gross revenues; and

WHEREAS, the Video Law further requires the Township to provide a video service provider with written notice of the VSP Fee Percentage within ten (10) days of receiving notice from the video service provider, pursuant to R.C. 1332.27(A), that is will begin offering service in the Township; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide timely notice to a video service provider of the VSP Fee Percentage, it is necessary for the Board (i) to establish the VSP Fee Percentage; and (ii) to authorize

the Fiscal Officer to provide the appropriate notice of the VSP Fee Percentage to a video service provider within ten (10) days of the Township receiving notice that a video service provider will begin providing service in the Township.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF Paris TOWNSHIP, Portage COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees of Paris Township hereby establishes a VSP Fee that is calculated by applying a VSP Fee Percentage of 5 percent (5%) to the video service provider’s gross revenues as defined in Section

1332.32(B) of the Video Law. All video service providers and cable television operators providing video service in the Township shall apply the VSP Fee Percentage against gross revenues as defined in the Video Law.

Section 2. That the VSP Fee shall be paid by each video service provider providing service in the Township on a quarterly basis but not sooner than forty-five (45) days nor later than sixty (60) days after the end of each calendar quarter. R.C. §1332.32(A)

Section 3. That the Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to provide any video service provider with notice of the VSP Fee Percentage as determined by this Board above, which notice shall be given by certified mail, upon receipt of notice from such video service provider that it will begin providing video service in the Township pursuant to a state-issued video service authorization.

Section 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Board of Trustees concerning and relating to the adoption of the Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and all deliberations of the Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 5. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the Township, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to the Board, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

Township Trustee

Township Trustee

ATTEST: _____

Township Fiscal Officer

Township Trustee

Ed Samec made the motion to accept the Spectrum video seconded by Dave Kemble. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Ed Samec, yes; David Kemble, yes. Motion Carried. Resolution #9-2025

SPRING CLEAN-UP

Spring clean-up will be May 10, 2025 from 8-12. Dorene Spicer will call and organize the clean-up.

NOPEC GRANT

Dorene Spicer made the motion to accept the NOPEC grant in the amount of \$2454.00. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer and seconded by Ed Samec. Roll Call: Ed Samec, yes; Dorene Spicer, yes; David Kemble; yes. Motion carried – Resolution #10-2025

NOPEC

Ed Samec made the motion to appoint Linda Shaulis as the grant representative and authorization to sign all grant information. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll call: Ed Samec, yes; Dorene Spicer, yes; David Kemble, Yest #11-2025

DOOR/DIVIDER

Dorene Spicer would like to put a door between the kitchen and overflow so renters can not get into the area where all the fire department items are.

LOVE INSURANCE

Dorene Spicer reported that Kathy Anczell’s of Loves Insurance does not see the premium of \$500.00 going up for 2025.

FERRELL GAS TO CENTERRA GAS

Dave Kemble made the motion to switch propane providers from Ferrell Gas to Centerra. This was seconded by Ed Samec. . Roll Call: Ed Samec, yes; Dorene Spicer, yes; David Kemble; yes. Motion carried – Resolution #12-2025

911

Chief Reed talked to Jolene McLelland, Dispatch Co-ordinator, about land line number and 911. Land line was recommended due to dialing 911 could put you anywhere in the USA where dialing will not. Spectrum will be contacted to see if they had anything else.

RESIGNATION

Chief Reed reported that Lt. Tyler Rose will be resigning from the department effective January 31, 2025

FULL DUTY

Steve Walk has been released back to fully duty.

HOSE TESTING

Hose testing contract with Fire Catt will be as followins

2025	\$2,940.00
2026	\$3,080.00
2027	\$3,220.00

RUNS

Total Run for December 2024

Fire – 4 EMS – 17
M/A given 6 M/A received – 9

Total runs for 2024 – count 225

Fire – 49 EMS – 176
M/A given 38 M/A received –88

SHIFT COVERAGE

Station staffing pay period 1-1-2025 thru 1-15-2025 (15 days)

- Days staffed with two personnel – 2
- Days staffed with one person – 2
- Days unstaffed – 12

RESCUE TRUCK

Chief Reed reported that that the Rescue Truck is being taken back to Fallsway to check out the air leaks.

OIL CHANGES

Chief Reed reported that the brush truck and squad are due for oil changes.

CEMETERY REPORT

Ed Samec reported that there were 2 graves sold and that there are two burials

OPEN AND CLOSE OF GRAVES

Ed Samec reported that Fred Shaulis and Tom Shaulis should get more pay for burials during the winter months. Instead of \$125.00 they will receive \$150.00 during the time from November 1, 2025 thru April 30. Dave Kemble made the motion to increase Tom Shaulis and Fred Shaulis pay for burials beginning November 1 thru April 30. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Ed Samec: yes, Dorene Spicer, yes; David Kemble, yes. Motion carried – Resolution #14-2025

After looking at the check warrants, appropriations and the fund status reports Ed Samec made the motion to pay bills seconded by Dave Kemble. The following invoices were reviewed and paid.

