Paris Township Trustees

Shearer Community Center July 17, 2025

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: Charles Garrett, James McEwen, Renee Rambo-McEwen, Diane Harrison, Bruce Zuchowski, Dan Young, Mike Tinlin, Michael Glista, Ed Harrison, Randy Porter, Paul Jalbert, Jeff Bixler, Dan Spicer, Dave Duncan, Jennifer Stanaitis, Fred Shaulis, and Derek Reed

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

FIRE DISTRICT

Fire district representatives discussed a proposal for a fire district amongst the Charleston, Palmyra, Deerfield, Edinburgh, and Paris. Questions were fielded from the audience.

TRUCK REPAIR

Fred Shaulis handed in a bill to get the F-750 repaired. The estimated cost of repair is $8,702.34. Ed Samec made the motion to get the F-750 fixed. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Ed Samec, yes; David Kemble, yes. Motion carried. Resolution #33-2025

GRASS CLIPPINGS IN DITCH

Fred Shaulis reported that 10540 Oak Street is putting grass clippings in the ditch. Fred Shaulis would like a letter sent to the home owner that grass clippings cannot be put in the ditch.

NEW MEMBER

Chief reed would like to recommend appointing Jeremy DeWitt to the fire department as a volunteer/paid per all member.

SHIFT COVERAGE

Station staffing pay period 7-1-2025 thru 7-15-2025 (15 days)
-Days staffed with two personnel – 1
-Days staffed with one person – 0
-Days unstaffed – 14

BALL FIELDS

Dorene Spicer reported that James Rosenberger would like to practice on the ball field Monday's and Wednesday's until the first week in October. As long as the insurance is okay the trustees agreed to let James Roseberger use the Fields

SOLID WASTE CONTRACT

Dorene Spicer made the motion to accept the new contract with Portage County Solid Waste for 5 years. There would be no changes from previous. This was seconded by Ed Samec. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; David Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion Carred. Resolution #34-2025

RESCINDING RESOLUTION 28-2025

Ed Samec made the motion to rescind resolution 28-2025 seconded by Dave Kemble. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; David Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion carried. Resolution #35-2025

FRONT END LOADER PURCHASE

Ed Samec made the motion to purchase a John Deere front end loader at the cost of $121,195 with financing through Huntington Bank for 4 years and interest rate of 4.68%. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion carried. Resolution #36-2025+

ZONING

Dave Duncan reported that a follow-up visit with the house on Newton Falls Road will be happening. Culvert was put in without a permit was brought up again. No action taken,

CEMETERY

Ed Samec reported 1 cremation burial.

RESIDENT CONCERNS

A resident had concern about a tree on the property line that is falling. The resident was told that the tree is in Newton Township and they should be contacted. The resident also brought up broken up concrete on the corner of Niles & Avon. The resident also asked about the ditches and if they were going to remain open. The answer is yes to open ditches.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ed Samec made the motion at 6:51 pm to go into executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, litigation or compensation of a public employee or official. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion Carried. Resolution #37-2025

Regular meeting resumed at 7:05 pm.

CONCERNS OF FIRE DISTRICT

Jenn Stanaitis sat down and talked with the trustees about the fire district and how Jenn Stanaitis felt about the whole situation. No decision has been made for the Paris Fire if they are going to join the district of stay independent.

Upon no further discussion Ed Samec made the motion to adjourn this meeting, seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Ed Samec, yes; David Kemble, yes; Dorene Spicer, yes; Motion Carried.

CHAIRMAN SAMEC	**FISCAL OFFICER**