Paris Township Trustees

Shearer Community Center January 15, 2026

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

Also Attending: Derek Reed, Fred Shaulis, Dave Duncan, Dan Spicer, Rob McKain, Mitch Douglas, Chris Putnat, John Cawley, Kevin Fodrey, Renee Rambo, Jim McEwen, Laurie Luketic,and Shawna Bailey

Ed Samec made the motion to accept the minutes seconded by Dorene Spicer.

RESIDENT ZONING QUESTIONING

Rob McKain, a resident, asked Dave Kemble if contact was made with the prosecutor's office on how zoning people were appointed. Dave Kemble spoke with Heaven DeMartin of the prosecutor's office and Heaven DeMartin confirmed that how zoning was appointed was done correctly. Dave Kemble told Rob McKain that he can contact the prosecutor's office. It was also brought up that anyone can file a public records request to get records.

ZONING MEETING

Dan Spicer reported that zonings next meeting will be February 12, 2026 at6 7:00 pm at the Shearer Community Center

ZONING ISSUES

Zoning inspector, Dave Duncan, reported that a complaint was received for 6231 Wayland Road about trash being dumped again. Dave Duncan visited the address on January 12, 2026 and did not see any trash on the property.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Chief Reed reported that Anthony Smith will be on leave of absence for medical reasons.

AED'S

Chief Reed reported that the AED's the township currently have are reaching their end of service life next month and will need to be replaced. Stryker is offering a promotional price of $1,889.25 if a cellular plan at the cost of $499.99 per unit for an eight year period. If the cellular plan is not purchased the cost of the AED's will be $2,388.25. Ed samec made the motion to purchase the promotional offer for the AED's at the cost of $1,889.25 for the machine & $499.99 for the cellular plan. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion carried. Resolution #14-2026

COT STRAPS

Chief Reed reported wanting new cot straps from Ferno at the cost of $464.00 plus shipping. Ed Samec made the motion to purchase new cot straps from Ferno. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion carried. Resolution #15-2026

STATION STAFFING PAY PERIOD 1-1-2026 thru 1-15-2026

Days staffed with two personnel – 1
Days staffed with one person - 0
Days unstaffed - 14

CEMETERY PERSONNEL

Ed Samec reported that letters are being sent to Jason Bell and Richard Roberts about not being rehired for the 2026 mowing season at the cemetery.

LIFE FORCE PAPER FORMAT

Chris Knapp sent a letter asking for Life Force authority to automatically send the accounts on to collection agency or discontinue on the accounts. Ed Samec made the motion for Life Force to refer delinquent accounts to a collection agency designated by client without written authority and for Life Force to write off resident copayments, deductibles and noncovered services without written authority. This was seconded by Dave Kemble. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion carried Resolution #16-2026

LIFE FORCE MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Chris Knapp of Life Force Management sent several recommendation requests for ambulance runs.

FLAGS FROM VETERANS

Ed Samec reported that the flags and flag holders have been ordered for Memorial Day from the Portage County Veterans office.

HAWLEY CEMETERY ANNUAL REPORT

Ed Samec reported the following on Hawley Cemetery:

Burials	20
Traditional	12
Cremation	8
Grave sites purchased	19

-Tree and fence maintenance was completed in the South section as well as contracted weed control

-Concrete pad at the war memorial was pressure washed and sealed

-Paris Township road crew conducted snow removal during inclement weather conditions where Snow had accumulated.

-Richard Roberts and Jason Bell performed lawn maintenance duties.

-Special thank you to resident Dave Tomlinson who volunteered his time to assist with grass mowing and everyone who volunteered their time to beautify the cemetery for the Memorial Day Services.

ROAD DEPARTMENT EVALUATION

Ed Samec reported that driver evaluations were completed on Fred Shaulis and Tom Shaulis on December 27, 2025 and December 29, 2025.

LOVES INSURANCE

Dorene Spicer reported that Kathy Rice of Love's Insurance was contacted to reduce the number of employees from four (4) to two (2).

AMAZON

Dorene Spicer reported that the Amazon deal for townships was cancelled.

FLOOR CLEANING

Dorene Spicer reported contacting Sprague for cleaning for the community center floors and it would be $823.00. Stanley Steemer in 2023 cleaned the floors for $931.50. Dorene Spicer is going to contact Nature Stone to see if they clean the floors and if they do have them seal it at the same time.

SIGNS

Dorene Spicer reported that Mike Collins was contacted about stop sign missing on Holcomb and street Sign at Wayland.

GENERATOR

Dorene Spicer reported that the generator was indicating an error Mike from Wesley Electric was contacted and a sensor was ordered.

GO.GOV

Dorene Spicer reported that Go.Gov is a sight that would inform people of the township what is going on. Laurie Luketic wants to set up a demo and get a price for Go.Gov service.

REGIONAL PLANNING

Dave Kemble reported attending Regional Planning on January 14, 2026 at University Hospital.

KEY ROSTER

Dorene Spicer handed out a new list of who all has keys to the township.

MR SMITH

Ed Samec reported that Jeff Smith has moved the box truck that was by the road.

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.

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CHAIRMAN KEMBLE **FISCAL OFFICER**