

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, Chris Putnat, Renee Rambo, Ashley Fodrey, Shawna Bailey, and Lori Luketic

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

REGIONAL PLANNING

Dave Kemble announced Regional Planning informational meeting Thursday, March 26, 2026 at the Reed Memorial Library at 6:00 pm.

WAYLAND AND GILBERT RD

Chris Putnat asked about the intersection of Wayland and Gilbert. Dave Kemble has taken pictures of the intersection where the road is falling in. Dave Kemble is going to take the pictures into the Engineers Office to show what is happening to the road.

DOOR REPLACEMENT

Fred Shaulis had a quote from AM Door & Supply on replacing doors and seals. The quote is for \$3,948.00. Ed Samec made the motion to have AM Door & Supply replace the doors and seals to be paid for with the NOPEC grant money. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion Carried. Resolution #31-2026

225 HOUSE

Fred Shaulis reported that siding is missing from the ST RT 225 house. Discussion took place about demolishing the house. Dave Kemble is going to look into the cost of demoing the house.

PIPE ON MCLAIN

There is a pipe on McLain that may be clogged. Fred Shaulis is going to look into the issue.

ZONING MEETING

Dan Spicer reported that zonings next meeting will be April 9, 2026 at 7:00 pm at the Shearer Community Center. Ed Samec asked Dan Spicer if the zoning board has began making arrangements for a public meeting and Dan Spicer said yes.

SAVVY ALERT SYSTEM

Dorene Spicer and Lori Luketic announced that signs to notify the public about SAVVY Citizens will be placed at the Shearer Community Center, St Rt 225 & MinYoung, St. Rt. 5 and Wayland Road, St Rt 225 and Cableline, Wayland Post Office, Hawley Cemetery, Holcomb underpass, Shawna Bailey's house on Newton Falls Road, St Rt 225 and Newton Falls Road. 700 fliers will be distributed throughout the township and fliers will be posted at Wayland Church, Paris Inn, Wayland Post Office, Shearer Community Center, Country Acres Camp Ground, and Leisure Lake.

CONGRATULATIONS

Chief Reed reported that Anthony Ludlow passed the Paramedic program and now functioning at the Paramedic level. Congratulations Anthony Ludlow.

FIRE DEPARTMENT EGG HUNT

Chief Reed mentioned that the Fire Association talked about moving the Easter Egg hunt to the evening and making it a glow-in-the-dark egg hunt on March 28, 2026. Chief Reed wanted to know if the Trustees would be okay with this decision. Dorene Spicer is going to check with the insurance before approving the change.

EPA NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Chief Reed reported that EPA sent a notice of violation letter to Anthony Bell on Wayland Road for multiple open burning complaints.

STATION STAFFING PAY PERIOD 3-1-2026 thru 3-15-2026

Days staffed with two personnel – 2

Days staffed with one person - 0

Days unstaffed - 13

SQUAD 2111

Chief Reed reported that squad 2111 is still at Sarchione Ford. Sarchione Ford found that the front brake pads need to be replaced and found some play in the ball joints. To have the brakes and ball joints replaced will cost approximately \$2,964 plus possible realignment. Ed Samec made the motion to have the work done on Squad 2111. This was seconded by Dorene Spicer. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion Carried. Resolution #32-2026

ZONING ISSUES

Zoning inspector, Dave Duncan, reported receiving a call about piles of trash at 6231 Wayland Road. Dave Duncan did not pursue the complaint because it was burned by the next day. Dave Duncan will keep an eye on the property.

CEMETERY DEEDS

Ed Samec reported that cemetery graves were sold to William and Margaret Reed.

OTARMA REPRESENTATION

OTARMA needed an appointment of pool representative and alternate. Dave Kemble will be the representative and Dorene Spicer will be the alternate.

FIRE LEVY ACCOUNT 4091

Ed Samec made the motion for a renewal levy for the purpose of a tax in excess of the ten mil limitation. This was seconded by Dave Kemble. Roll Call: Dorene Spicer, yes; Dave Kemble, yes; Ed Samec, yes. Motion Carried. Resolution #33-2026

FURNITURE ON SIDE OF ROAD

Dorene Spicer reported that furniture on the Holcomb and Wayland but now has been removed.

SIGN REPLACEMENT

Dorene Spicer called ODOT District 4 about an axle weight limit sign being knocked down on the corner of Gilbert and St Rt 225. The sign has been fixed.

FUNERAL DINNER

Dorene Spicer reported a resident had a funeral dinner at the community center and wanted to pay \$100 dollars for the use of the community center. The money was donated to the Fire Department.

FLAGS AT CEMETERY

Dorene Spicer reported that the flags at the cemetery were removed due to the high winds. New flags will be put up.

SIGN IN VESTIBULE

Dorene Spicer will be replacing the interior of the sign in the vestibule with cork board.

McMULLEN ALLEN RESIDENT

Dorene Spicer reported that Doreen Lutz, Newton Township Trustee, contacted Dorene Spicer about a resident of Newton Township and the road condition. Dorene Spicer responded to the resident.

COMMUNITY CENTER PAINTING

Dorene Spicer reported receiving an estimate for getting the community center painted in the main area except the brick wall. The cost to get the doors and walls painted, except the brick wall, would be \$2,120. Lori Luketic is going to put it on the website about bids for painting and to contact Dorene Spicer and Dave Kemble for any question and must have the bids for the April 2, 2026 meeting.

NOPEC RATES

Dorene Spicer reported receiving a flier on new rates for NOPEC and what they are going to be.

FLAG POLE STRING REPLACEMENT

Ed Samec reported that Bickel Tree service is going to bring their truck to help replace the rope on the big flag pole at the cemetery.

CEMETERY

Ed Samec reported that there was one (1) burial at the cemetery and there will be another one on March 21, 2026.

FIRE DISTRICT

Ed Samec reported that the next fire district meeting will be March 25, 2026. Ed Samec was asked to contact fire chief's that have been through the conversion and gather information on the transformation. The fire district is talking about a 5 mil levy.

PORTAGE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT DINNER

Dave Kemble reported attending the Portage County Health Department dinner.

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 KEMBLE

FISCAL OFFICER