



**Bethel Township Board of Trustees
May 4, 2026 6:00 PM
Workshop Meeting Agenda**

CALL TO ORDER Time: _____ Presiding: _____
 Roll call: Interim Chief Weldon: _____ Fiscal Officer Ross: _____
 Trustee Wilkerson: _____ Trustee Reese: _____ Trustee Dick: _____
 Assistant to the Fiscal Officer Fortunato: _____

GUEST SPEAKERS: Miami County Engineers – Winterhill, Newbury, Windham drainage

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC on items on the Agenda

NEW BUSINESS:

Administration

- Signed energy contract for 3 years

Zoning

- Atty taking new job at end of July
- Zoning text amendments requested by the Trustees

Fire/EMS

- Levy 4.90 mills renewed in 2017 expires 2026

FUND TYPE	MILLS	LEVY YEAR	LEVY TYPE	TAX YEAR BEGINS	TAX YEAR EXP
CURR EXP	3.80	2023	Replacement	2023	2027
FIRE	4.90	2017	Renewal	2022	2026
FIRE	1.50	2004	Replacement	2004	CONT
POLICE	1.00	2021	Replacement	2021	CONT

Road Dept/Cemeteries

- Winterhill, Newbury, Windham drainage

Fiscal Office

- Fire truck account, anti-annexation cost center, roads cost center
- Resolution to document road worker flexible clock-in/clock-out

Trustee Items

- Annexation agreement resolution
- Rescind TIF resolution

OLD BUSINESS:

Administration

- Create a “Welcome to the Township” packet for new residents
- Cybersecurity plan
- Budget – 5 year plan

4. Inventory
5. Group home moratorium
6. Short-term rental lodging tax

Zoning

7. 4021 US 40 (corner of Wildcat and 40)
8. West Charleston alley vacate request (4/7/26)
9. Adjust zoning fees (4/7/26)
10. Nuisance cases (ongoing)
11. Wiley Industrial Park tire issue, dismantled vehicles – EPA involved
12. Update zoning applications and forms to make corrections/improvements
13. Create a tri-fold guide on when a permit is required
14. Idling semi-trucks in Wiley park
15. GIS updates
16. Updates to zoning resolution text
17. Offering zoning compliance for legacy zoning/spot zoning – on hold until zoning text is updated

Fire/EMS

18. Training program for new recruits
19. Expired helmets – waiting on County prosecutor for waiver
20. Surplus equipment sales – medic is on hold, may donate to County rescue program
21. Fire Dept discussion with Elizabeth Twp

Road Dept/Cemeteries

22. Bushes at cemeteries to obscure extra dirt (4/7/26)
23. Crack sealing the township offices / fire house / road building parking lot / road pavement analysis (4/7/26)
24. Scarff Rd sink hole
25. Wiley Industrial Park storm sewer system – obtain quotes, ask County Eng Dept.
26. Tractor and side mower
27. Surplus equipment sales – old mowers – will work with Fire Dept to create a complete list
28. Friendship Park digital mapping – need to contact Metro Parks

Fiscal Office

29. None

Trustee Items

30. Digital Communications policy (4/7/26)
31. Data Center moratorium – 12 month passed 3/10/2026
32. Solar / wind farms – 12 month passed 3/10/2026
33. America 250-Ohio Community
34. Volunteer program to assist senior residents with yard maintenance
35. Meeting room / shelter – ODNR signed contract has been received, we are ready to go
36. House Bill 113 – amend ORC regarding annexation and add section 3311.222
 - a. Introduced Feb 18, 2025, referred to committee Feb 26, 2025; Proponent testimony provided April 30, 2025; Opponent testimony provided June 11, 2025; Bill is in process of being modified.
37. Trustee goals and objectives – no new news
38. Review/update our Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual – no updates at this time

OTHER DISCUSSION TOPICS:

1. None

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC on any topic

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing. Except as otherwise provided by law, no public body shall hold an executive session for the discipline of an elected official for conduct related to the performance of the elected official's official duties or for the elected official's removal from office.
2. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding, or the sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property in accordance with section 505.10 of the Revised Code, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest. No member of a public body shall use division (G)(2) of this section as a subterfuge for providing covert information to prospective buyers or sellers. A purchase or sale of public property is void if the seller or buyer of the public property has received covert information from a member of a public body that has not been disclosed to the general public in sufficient time for other prospective buyers and sellers to prepare and submit offers.
3. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, provided that both of the following conditions apply:
 - (a) The information is directly related to a request for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered under any provision of Chapter 715., 725., 1724., or 1728. or sections 701.07, 3735.67 to 3735.70, 5709.40 to 5709.43, 5709.61 to 5709.69, 5709.73 to 5709.75, or 5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Revised Code, or that involves public infrastructure improvements or the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project.
 - (b) A unanimous quorum of the public body determines, by a roll call vote, that the executive session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project.

If a public body holds an executive session to consider any of the matters listed in divisions (G)(2) to (8) of this section, the motion and vote to hold that executive session shall state which one or more of the approved matters listed in those divisions are to be considered at the executive session.

Motion to enter executive session, (1) for the purpose to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee or official, and, (2) for the purpose to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, and, (3) which is necessary to consider negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance.

Motioned by Trustee _____ Seconded by Trustee _____
 Vote: Trustee Dick: _____ Trustee Wilkerson: _____ Trustee Reese: _____
 Time in Executive Session: _____
 Return to regular session time: _____

ADJOURNMENT motioned by Trustee _____ Seconded by Trustee _____
 Vote: Trustee Dick: _____ Trustee Wilkerson: _____ Trustee Reese: _____
 Time: _____