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Wayne Township Monthly Board Meeting

March 10, 2026

Wayne Township Trustee Office

PRESENT: Austin Knox, Trustee
Dominique Dickey, Deputy Trustee
Patricia Turner, Board Secretary
Bruce Stier, Board Chair of Finance
Patsy Brewer, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: Anthony Henry, Board Chair
Curtis Whittaker, Financial Advisor

- I. The meeting was called to order with a roll call from Secretary Turner at 4:30 pm.
- II. Chair of Finance Stier made a motion to approve the Minutes of February 10, 2026, Secretary Turner seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- III. Trustee Knox presented the Financial Reports
- IV. Secretary Turner announced the next regular meeting is April 14, 2026.

Ms. Turner stated that she will not be present at the April meeting.

- V. Trustee Knox made the following comments. He mentioned that we will be having our 2nd Annual Hoppy Memories Event, Saturday, April 4, 2026, from 12-2 pm; the AEP bill is \$1,250; the elevator has been down since last month. Otis Elevator repaired a part and then said another part was needed; therefore, we are waiting for that part to arrive.

Senate Bill 270 passed and House Bill 1315 failed. As of now our Township is safe. He received a call from Phil GiaQuinta, state legislator to inform him of what was going on. Trustee Knox gave the Board members a print off paper regarding other townships compensation.

Last year in February we received 674 requests for assistance and the value was \$165,632. This year in February we received 662 requests for assistance and the value was \$172,350. Trustee Knox mentioned that we were able to get home inspections to a one-week timeframe by adding Robert Martin to our Support Services Department. He also thanked the Board for authorizing the 35 hours for employees in our Case Management Department.

The Trustee mentioned that we have information available online regarding our Richard A. Stevenson Scholarship and the Academic Encouragement Award. There are QR codes on the scholarship flyers to make it easier to apply. He mentioned that we are doing something different for our Person of the Year Award. In previous years, we've had a committee who selected the person of the year. This year we are allowing people to submit applications to nominate a person. The person must have done great work in Wayne Township to be nominated.

Trustee Knox commented that the print off paper he passed out regarding other townships' compensation doesn't show the exact figures which were reported in Gateway. He stated this print off paper listed our township as being second regarding township assistance, he believes we should have been listed first.

VI. No public comments

Chair of Finance Stier commented on a letter he and the former Trustee Stevenson wrote to the State Board of Accounts regarding what we were doing with our private contributions and they were told to "continue on as you are doing because it is appropriate." He said he has concerns about Trustee Denita Washington, Adams Township Trustee because she does a lot of programs.

Trustee Knox stated that Curtis Whittaker advises her, he is Adams Township Financial Advisor.


VII. Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED ON THE 14th DAY OF April 2026.



Anthony Henry, Board Chair

Patricia Turner, Secretary



Bruce Stier, Member