BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING May 6, 2025, 5:30PM

Officials in Attendance: Trustee Rich Farmer Chairperson, Trustee Mary Ann Reser Vice Chairperson, Trustee Bob Kusmer and Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Farmer.

MINUTES - Trustee Reser made a motion to approve the minutes for April 15 2025. Seconded by Trustee Kusmer. Roll call vote, Trustee Farmer - Yes; Trustee Reser -Yes; Trustee Kusmer – Yes; The Motion Passed.

Financial Report - Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman

Mr. Ackerman reported the **township audit** will be starting in the next week. The **grant reports** are finished and submitted.

Mr. Ackerman is converting more accounts to auto pay as long as there are not major service charges for doing so.

Trustee Reser brought up an overdue invoice from Liamer Media, which Mr. Ackerman said he will get a check to them as soon as possible.

Public Comment

A resident asked if the township has ever looked into mass communication to be able to alert residents on upcoming jobs, like road closures, and construction projects that will be happening in neighborhoods. Trustee Farmer relayed the township has nothing in place at this point. Trustee Kusmer said he will discuss with contractors to relay to to the residents when they can expect projects to get started.

Cemetery Board Report- Jack Ferguson Chairperson

Mr. Ferguson was absent. Mr. Lagrou mentioned they have a buyback out at McGormley Cemetery.

Zoning Inspector Report - Troy Thatcher Inspector

Mr. Thatcher provided a report ending May 6th 2025 to the Trustees, and reviewed it with them.

Mr. Thatcher mentioned the Zoning Commission met last Tuesday April 22, and they sent an email to the Trustees with the proposed Zoning Changes. Trustee Farmer opened his email and read it to the other Trustees. Discussion took place and it was decided that a Special Public Meeting will be scheduled prior to the next General Meeting of the Trustees at 4:45 on Tuesday May 20. Township Solicitor Jim Barney was asked of the potential for making changes that may be legal. He reported he will look into it, if that is the direction where the Public sends the Trustees.

Mr. Ackerman asked Mr. Thatcher to give updates on the online Zoning applications and payments thereof. Mr. Thatcher reported we are receiving online applications and payments, but not seeing who is actually making them. Mr. Thatcher will contact Josh from Liamer Media on the current **Stripe Account** set-up and correcting a glitch that would allow us to review payments via a statement.

Trustee Reser brought a copy of the current format of the online application and is hoping to be able to convert it to PDF, so it can be printed from online.

Parks Board Report - Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou

Mr. Lagrou would like to run the Full-page Car Show ad in the SCRAP program as we have in the past.

Mr. Lagrou reported that the Park Grant money has all been spent.

Road Superintendent Report - Bill Lagrou

Mr. Lagrou mentioned that he ordered salt from ODOT. Mr. Lagrou reported a company called Flock will be installing a license plate reader on Tindall Bridge by order of the Sheriffs Depart.

Trustees Comments

Trustee Kusmer – mentioned he met with Anthony from Hotel and Leisure Advisors. They did a tour of the proposed area for the community center, and he will get started on the feasibility study. The company is looking for local feedback via a survey, and we are trying to find a way of getting this survey to the public.

Trustee Reser - mentioned the Regional Planning Meeting is scheduled for May 12th. Trustee Reser asked Mr. Ackerman when he will have a check ready for Liamer Media, Mr. Ackerman replied he will have it ready to sign by end of the week.

Trustee Farmer - No further comment.

Old Business – No Old Business

New Business -

Ballville Fire Chief Bill Lagrou is reporting the department is looking for a new monitor as used by EMS crews that are sent to a scene. While used units run $15000.00, new units will cost $25000.00.

Trustee Farmer made a motion to allow the department to spend up to $25000.00 from the Fire Department Fund for the purchase. Seconded by Trustee Kusmer. Roll Call Vote, Trustee Farmer - Yes; Trustee Reser - Yes; Trustee Kusmer - Yes; The Motion Passed.

Trustee Reser would like Township Solicitor Mr. Barney to review how Fire Department Levy Money could be spent. Mr. Barney will research and get back with us.

Trustee Farmer made a motion to go into Executive Session for employment purposes. Seconded by Trustee Kusmer. Roll Call Vote, Trustee Farmer - Yes; Trustee Reser - Yes; Trustee Kusmer - Yes The Motion Passed.

Trustee Reser made a motion to come out of Executive Session for employment purposes. Seconded by Trustee Kusmer. Roll Call Vote, Trustee Farmer - Yes; Trustee Reser - Yes; Trustee Kusmer - Yes; The Motion Passed,

Trustee Reser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. With no objections, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

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Thomas Ackerman, Fiscal Officer

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Rich Farmer, Trustee Chairperson

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Mary Ann Reser, Trustee
Vice - Chairperson

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Bob Kusmer Trustee