BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING March 3rd, 2026, 5:30PM

Officials in Attendance: Trustee Mary Ann Reser Chairperson, Trustee Bob Kusmer Vice Chairperson, Trustee Rich Farmer and Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Reser.

Minutes - Thomas Ackerman

Trustee Kusmer *made a motion* to approve the minutes from February 3, and February17, 2026. Second by Trustee Farmer. Roll Call Vote, Trustee Reser - Yes; Trustee Kusmer - Yes; Trustee Farmer - Yes; The Motion Passed.

Financial Report - Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman

Mr. Ackerman mentioned that in the past week he worked with the Audit team to close out 2025, and post the Hinkle notes. They were able to get the report done in time, and posted to the State Auditors office. The bottom line of the report is fine, but there are a few more correction that will be needed to make sure the funds have correct balances. Mr. Ackerman and the Audit team, in the near future plan to get these corrections done.

Liz Oswik - Strategic Solutions

Liz Oswik is from Strategic Solutions which is a *document management company* from Norwalk. She gave a demonstration about her company which involves scanning township documents, and its ability to be able to search documents, making them easy to find. Liz did a questions, and answers session with the Trustees. The Trustees would like to invite Liz back to look at all the township has, and if this is something we should do in the future.

After Liz left,Trustees discussed the possibilities of this system, and what documents should be done first.

Public Comment-

No Public Comment

Cemetery Board Report - Jack Ferguson Chairperson

Mr. Ferguson was absent.

Mr. Lindsay mentioned he handed out 17 applications for the jobs opening, and has received 4 back so far. Mr. Lagrou said he gave out 3 with none returned so far.

The next Cemetery Board Meeting is Tuesday April 21 at noon.

Mr. Lindsay asked Township Solicitor Jim Barney to see if the *open slots* in the Mausoleum can be resold? They were purchased many years ago, and there is a new law that if these are *advertised*, that they can be sold again if the family makes no claim to the spots. Mr. Barney replied he will look into the law and return with his recommendations.

Zoning Inspector Report - Troy Thatcher Inspector

Mr. Thatcher passed out a report ending March 3, 2026 to the Trustees, and went over it with all. He reported that there is no new update with the dog zoning situation.

Parks Board Report - Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou

Mr. Wood mentioned that there was not a meeting this month. The Easter Egg Hunt is set for Saturday March 28th at 11am at Conner Park.

Road Superintendent Report - Bill Lagrou

Mr. Lagrou reported that Green Creek Township has dropped out of the Co-Op Paving project for this year. The remaining townships are Ballville, Jackson, Townsend, Sandusky, and Rice.

Mr. Lagrou mentioned the rest of the salt is on order, and should be coming. We also received our beet juice for brining, but we had an issue with a leak in the tank purchased. We were able to obtain another tank, temporarily move the juice, and fix the issue. We will now have to move the juice back over to our tank.

Trustee Comments -

Trustee Reser - mentioned the deadline for the **Ballville Township Newsletter** is due by March 17th to have articles in. This is to prepare for a date in April for distribution.

Trustee Reser got an email from Adam Greenslade with potential grants available. There are two proposals, one being the replacement of the Maintenance Building at Oakwood as well as a Maintenance Building for Tiffin Road, behind the Salt Building. Trustees had discussion on the *proposed projects* with the grants, and see what the results are. Trustee Farmer asked if we need to put *into the grant* our willingness to put moneys towards the project to hopefully help obtain the grants.

After discussion, they will contact Adam Greenslade, and ask if we should add Township money to help acquire the grants.

Trustee Kusmer - mentioned that the bid opening date is set for the Co-Op Road Projects and Issue II Road Project on March 17th at 5:30pm during the Ballville Trustee Meeting.

Trustee Kusmer reported tomorrow is the Tax Incentive Board Meeting, March 9th is the Health Department Meeting, and the Economic Development Meeting is March 13th.

Trustee Farmer - mentioned the *Square Accounts* are setup. We should be able to start accepting credit card payments shortly, as well as the ability to send invoices out asking for payment online.

Trustee Farmer asked Trustee Reser to make sure she was covering his meeting with Regional Planning Monday. Trustee Reser said yes, she will be there.

Old Business - No Old Business

New Business - No New Business

Trustee Kusmer made a motion to adjourn meeting, with no objections, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

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Thomas Ackerman, Fiscal Officer

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Mary Ann Reser, Chairperson

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Bob Kusmer, Trustee Vice-Chairperson

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Rich Farmer, Trustee

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