Wells Township

October 06, 2026

The Board of Trustees of Wells Township met in regular session on Tuesday, October 06, 2026, 6:30 PM at 79 Hudson St, Brilliant, OH.

Officials in attendance: Brian Harvey, Trustee
Jeffrey J Kamerer, Trustee
Leslie Harvey, Fiscal Officer

Others in attendance: Sean Norman, Paul Rusnak, Chrissy Crawford, Aaron Channels, Bub Lazear, Mickey Nest, Lew Eiler

Trustee Kamerer noted the Trustees have read the minutes from September 15, 2026 regular meeting and if there are no additions, deletions, or amendments, the minutes of September 15, 2026 stand as approved.

26-10-01 Trustee Harvey motioned to accept and approve the September 15, 2026 regular meeting minutes as stands. Trustee Kamerer seconded that motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

Trustee Kamerer noted the Trustees have reviewed the bills and entertains a motion to approve payment of said bills.

26-10-02 Trustee Harvey motioned to approve and pay bills totaling $273,336.91. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

Trustee Kamerer stated there are property nuisance letters to be sent out certified return-receipt. He entertains a motion to approve mailing out these letters certified return-receipt.

26-10-03 Trustee Harvey motioned to sign and approve mailing out property nuisance letters certified return-receipt. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

Trustee Kamerer stated the Trustees have a meeting set up with Soil and Water tomorrow morning at 10:00am to go through and look at the damages of the Township's creeks for cleanup purposes. Upon speaking with them by phone today, to access the creeks, the property owners will have to pay a $50.00 fee. Once the fee is paid, Soil and Water will set up for bidding, once bidding has been received, Soil and Water will schedule clean up. This is funded through Soil and Water and does not cost the Township anything. The meeting tomorrow will be to discuss Salt Run, Blues Run and any other creeks we have that have debris and such from the recent storms.

Trustee Harvey stated the road crew has been out patching roads and cutting weeds.

Trustee Harvey asked Chrissy if the pool is now officially closed up and winterized for the winter? She stated yes.

Trustee Harvey mentioned he stated at previous meetings that as things came up he would keep all updated regarding the Township building (79 Hudson St). He does have a little information for thought; in 2024 the annual electric bill for 409 Prospect St was $3,195.00 and 79 Hudson St was $8,206.00. In 2025, 79 Hudson St annual electric bill rose to $17,584.00; and in 2026 it is estimated to be approximately $23,000.00. This only covers the front portion of the building we currently occupy. All this comes out of general fund.

Fiscal Officer Harvey stated Trebel, the third party maintaining our electrical aggregate contract, representative Stephen King came in May 2026 did a small presentation and is wanting to start watching rates for next year. There was a form at that meeting giving Trebel authorization to lock in rates benefiting the Township and its residents when presented. This form was not signed at that time and he has requested this form be signed so Trebel can begin watching for the best rate(s) for the upcoming contract renewal. It was stated in the minutes there was a form to be signed, however the Trustees stated they wanted the Solicitor to review the document. There was not a signed form sent back to Trebel. The Fiscal Officer does have a copy of the form, if the Trustees would like to approve and sign the form to be returned to Mr. King to move forward.

26-10-04 Trustee Harvey motioned to approve and sign the authorization form for Trebel to begin watching electrical rates and to lock in the best rate for the upcoming contract renewal for 2027. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

Trustee Harvey stated Trustee Roe is missing this meeting due to personal obligations, and Solicitor Clark was missing this evening's meeting due to personal obligations as well. They will be at the next scheduled regular meeting.

Trustee Harvey reports that Buckeye Local School District has signed the quick deed claim and the buyer for that property now has all information. Solicitor Clark believes the Township should be in receipt of the monies by the next meeting.

Fiscal Officer Harvey stated the Township applied for grant money through the Pugliese Foundation to remodel the existing bathroom for public use and to remodel the old library room into the official public meeting room. Since potential changes are happening, a phone call was made to Mr. Tom Timmons regarding the use of the grant money ($20,000 grant awarded), he is okay with keeping the $20,000 and using it for the bathroom renovation. An acceptance form needs signed by Trustee Brian Harvey, and a reminder that the money needs to be spent by December 31, 2026. Trustee Harvey stated he doesn't want to waste money, however, the Trustees anticipate not having anything finalized for another 1-2 years and in that time, there is a need for public restroom availability in this building. It would be beneficial to go ahead and renovate a public restroom.

Fiscal Officer Harvey also stated the Township was awarded for $8,241.77 from the Jefferson County Commissioners Recreation Grant. She will be generating a purchase order, to be signed by the Trustees, to make the listed purchases from that application submission. Chrissy asked if she could be present when items are ordered. Plaques for the picnic tables have been received, and will be given to Chrissy to adhere to the tables for the next season.

Fiscal Officer Harvey stated Hoopes-Edwards, the company supplying the road salt for this winter season, has provided all the salt requested and that delivery of the salt went over the requested 600 tons by approximately 72 tons. Their representative is not exactly sure how that happened. The overage totals an additional amount of $7,917.96. Approval is needed for this

additional amount. No discount on the overage was given. Trustee Harvey stated he would like to talk with them regarding this issue. Fiscal Officer Harvey will get contact information to Trustee Harvey to make contact and discuss.

26-10-05 Trustee Kamerer motioned to table this approval until Trustee Harvey has had ability to contact Hoopes-Edwards to discuss. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

Chief Norman stated Donna Riggs, with Write-Way Grants, is the underwriter for submission of a Firehouse Subs Grant on behalf of the police department. This grant is item specific. Chief Norman stated the department could benefit having a side-by-side ($38,000.00) to aid in missing persons, missing children, etc. Write-Way's grant writing fee is $500.00. Chief Norman asks permission to pay the fee and have Write-Way submit all necessary documentation to Firehouse Subs for the possible grant to be awarded for the purchase of the side-by-side.

26-10-06 Trustee Harvey motioned to approve paying the $500.00 grant writing fee to Write-Way Grants for the Firehouse Subs Grant on behalf of the police department. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

Paul Rusnak stated the road department is in need of looking to replace the 2012 Ford truck as it has a cracked manifold, etc. To repair this truck, with over 100,000 miles, comes to over $5,000.00. A new diesel truck is priced at $128,000.00, that includes a stainless bed with plow and salt box. Trustee Harvey asked Paul to get three quotes.

Paul Rusnak also stated the international dump truck needs repairs and maintenance totaling $3,561.35 before the winter season sets in.

26-10-07 Trustee Harvey motioned to approve the repairs and maintenance on the international dump truck in the total amount of $3,561.35. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

Paul also noted the Silverado needs brakes and fuel tank straps. This truck has over 100,000 miles also. Repair/maintenance shouldn't be but about $300.00.

Chrissy Crawford asked the Trustees what date they would like to cut off on the park rental to close it up for the winter. Trustees stated end of October.

Chrissy also noted Patricia Kanoski contacted her regarding the Township paying a $25.00 vendor fee to sell Township concession stand soda. Chrissy feels this is not fair, as Ms. Kanoski is not paying any type of rental for the use of the Township property to hold this Friends of Harvest event October 10-11, 2026. Ms. Kanoski did agree to waive the Township's vendor fee.

Chrissy talked with Paul Rusnak about stakes to put up scarecrows. Kristen Wheeler donated the prizes for the scarecrow contest. Chrissy asked if the road crew could assist in carrying the pop to their canopy for selling on the 10th and 11th.

Chrissy also asked for approval to start this year's Christmas parade at 5:00pm on December 5, 2026. This does not interfere with the food collection by the fire department.

Bub Lazear asked if the Sheriff's department was contacted regarding tire pick up on Riddles Run.

Aaron Channels stated he owns property at 5222 SR 151 and has received two letters this year regarding property nuisance. He was a little unclear as to how/what this process entails. He has been attempting to get property cleaned up after his renter vacated the property. Chief Norman spoke to Mr. Channels regarding the processes from receiving the two letters.

Mickey Nest noted the flag should be taken down at the pool for the season.

With no further business, Trustee Kamerer entertains a motion to adjourn.

26-10-08 Trustee Harvey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:18pm. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	absent

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Trustee Trustee

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Trustee Fiscal Officer