Wells Township

September 01, 2026

The Board of Trustees of Wells Township met in regular session on Tuesday, September 01, 2026, 6:30 PM at 79 Hudson St, Brilliant, OH.

Officials in attendance:	Brian Harvey, Trustee
	Jeffrey J Kamerer, Trustee
	Rodney Roe, Trustee
	Leslie Harvey, Fiscal Officer
	Bruce Clark, Solicitor

Others in attendance: Bill Cook, Bub Lazear, Chrissy Crawford, Ricky Crawford, John Goosman, Lew Eiler, Paul Rusnak, Chief Sean Norman

Trustee Kamerer noted the Trustees have had time to read the minutes from August 18 2026 regular meeting and if there are no additions, deletions, or amendments, the minutes of August 18, 2026 stand as approved.

26-09-01 Trustee Harvey motioned to accept and approve the August 18, 2026 regular meeting minutes as stands. Trustee Roe seconded that motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

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

26-09-02 Trustee Roe motioned to approve and pay bills totaling $111,365.35. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

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

26-09-03 Trustee Roe motioned to sign and approve mailing out two nuisance letters certified return-receipt. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Trustee Kamerer stated the Trustees interviewed two applicants for the custodian position available since the resignation of Josie McFarland. Upon completion of the interviews, the Trustees agreed Barbara Smith was the candidate currently suited to perform the duties as needed. He entertains a motion to hire Barbara Smith at an hourly rate of $11.00 with a start date of September 1, 2026.

26-09-04 Trustee Roe motioned to approve hiring Barbara Smith as Wells Township custodian, at an hourly rate of $11.00 with a start date of September 1, 2026. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Trustee Kamerer announced the Wells Township Trick or Treat will be held Saturday, October 31, 2026 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

Trustee Harvey stated the Township will need to purchase a pool pump and the previous meeting it was approved for just under $12,000.00. However, he would like to have Wheeling Armiture assess the two pumps currently to see if a rebuild of either or both is feasible, to have on hand and if it would be cost effective.

26-09-05 Trustee Kamerer motioned to approve Wheeling Armiture assess the two current pool pumps for rebuilds and provide quotes for both. Trustee Roe seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Solicitor Clark presented the Board with a Resolution for Semi's parking on Township streets. Solicitor Clark read the resolution aloud, asking for a motion to approve and Trustees to sign.

26-09-06 Trustee Harvey motioned to approve Resolution 2026-09-06 for Semi's parking on Township streets. Trustee Roe seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Chief Norman stated the police department is in need of rifle repairs. These rifles are stored in the cruisers and will be repaired by Smith Outfitters at a cost of $1,727.00.

26-09-07 Trustee Roe motioned to approve the rifle repairs through Smith Outfitters at a cost of $1,727.00 and to pay the invoice when received. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Chief Norman stated the new cruiser ordered this year will need to be outfitted with the appropriate equipment when possession takes place. Bearcom cost will be $8,550.49 and he asks for approval to purchase and installation.

26-09-08 Trustee Roe motioned to approve the purchase and installation of equipment needed for the new cruiser at a cost of $8,550.49 and to pay the invoice when received. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Chief Norman stated Steven Veltri attended and completed an evidence training course.

During this course, the participants were given a list of updated evidence gathering items that includes bags, fingerprint lifts, etc. Officer Veltri would like to order the necessary items the department needs at a cost of $1,225.10 from Evident.

26-09-09 Trustee Harvey motioned to approve the purchase of evidence gathering items for a total cost of $1,225.10 from Evident. Trustee Roe seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Chief Norman noted at the previous meeting, he requested approval to start the process of obtaining quotes for two new cruisers for the 2027 fiscal year budget. He has received three bids as follows:

Statewide Ford	$50,560.90 each, base only
Woltz & Wind Ford	$53,905.00 each
Team Ford Steubenville	$47,797.00 each

Chief Norman requested approval to purchase two cruisers from Team Ford Steubenville to be delivered in 2027 for the 2027 budget at a total cost of $95,594.00, base cost only. These will need to be outfitted with equipment when received.

26-09-10 Trustee Harvey motioned to approve the purchase from the 2027 budget, two new police department cruisers from Team Ford Steubenville at a cost of $47,797.00 each, totaling $95,594.00 base only. Trustee Roe seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Chief Norman stated the department can purchase the necessary equipment from Bearcom, and including their installation, at a cost of $39,172.42. Decals to be added separately.

26-09-11 Trustee Roe motioned to approve the purchase and installation of additional necessary equipment for the new cruisers from Bearcom at a cost of $39,172.42. Trustee Harvey seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

Chief Norman also noted the outgoing (old) cruisers will be put up for bid on a website – govdeals.com at the appropriate time.

Paul Rusnak noted all chip seal has bee completed. The road crew have been working on cleaning the gutters at the community center and trimming trees around the community center. He also noted the yard debris dumpster is at the north end of town and is available on Wednesdays from 8:00am to 4:00pm and Saturdays from 12:00noon to 4:00pm

Chrissy Crawford thanked the road crew for their assistance in storing the tables and chairs and winterizing the pool. She mentioned there were Park rentals this Saturday and Sunday. She is currently working on Halloween and will be handing out canned drinks that were left from the concession stand, as well as selling canned drinks at the Harvest Festival on October 10 and 11, 2026. Trustee Harvey requested a list of what needs addressed at the pool, making it a priority list, to be turned in to the Trustees prior to the next season.

Trustee Kamerer stated the Board of Elections called regarding police presence for the upcoming November elections.

Bub Lazear questioned the Trustees about police officers being paid by Shelly & Sands for traffic control at a rate of $35.00 per hour. Chief Norman noted Shelly & Sands requested police presence during their road work and the officers off duty are paid privately through Shelly & Sands, however, the use of the cruisers are compensated directly to the Township.

John Goosman thanked the Trustees for their hard work, but voiced his concern about the gas company and if there was a road bond prior to the start of the project? Trustee Kamerer noted the road bond that was previously in place before this project began is in effect for this project for all phases.

John Goosman also noted his neighbor has not been cutting their grass for quite some time and is very frustrated. He asked if there is something more the Trustees might be able to do through the court system. Chief Norman stated he would follow up with that. Solicitor Clark noted judges have fined people previously, but that the maximum fine is $150.00. Chief Norman said there have been 26 citations issued in 2026. Solicitor Clark stated another consideration could be revising the language in the resolution so that each day of non-compliance can be considered a different issue, and that possibly a criminal complaint can be filed for every day of non-compliance each carrying a $150.00 fine.

Solicitor Clark noted the sale of 409 Prospect St is still being worked on. He stated the buyers attorney drew up a quick claim deed for the Buckeye Local School Board to sign off on, however, Solicitor Clark is not sure at this time if the deed has been signed. The buyers have everything they need at this point. He will continue to follow up.

Trustee Roe noted there is an old boat sitting next to the old Township building and is full of water, collecting mosquitos that could become a problem. Chief Norman stated they would give the owners a warning.

Trustee Kamerer stated the school flashing lights and timer need to be replaced. The last time these were replaced was more than 14 years ago. Chief Norman stated the Traffic Safety office may have money to donate towards the purchase and will look into this. Quotes will be obtained prior to approval of any purchases.

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

26-09-12 Trustee Roe motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:10pm. Trustee Harveyji seconded the motion, vote:

Trustee Harvey	yea
Trustee Kamerer	yea
Trustee Roe	yea

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Trustee Trustee

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Trustee Fiscal Officer