



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday, October 6th, 2025, at 6:30 pm

Please silence cell phones and electronics.

Zoom Meeting is available as a courtesy for viewing purposes only.

MEETING INFORMATION

The public may dial in or download the Zoom meeting app to access the Board of Trustees meeting with the following credentials:

Meeting ID: 916 3176 7285

Phone: +1 929 205 6099

Password: 059138.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the business of Bath Township.

At the end of the meeting there will be time for citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Fiscal Officer Laura Tuttle

Report / Recommendations

1. Recommendation to approve regular purchase orders 2025-01157 through 2025-01220 and payments in the amount of \$128,268.52.
Included in the payments are the following:
 - \$11,569.42 to Dell Marketing LP for Computer Replacements (Police/Roads/Admin)
 - \$31,740.00 to Belfor USA for release of fire escrow funds (Fire)

Roll Call

2. Recommendation to approve meeting minutes for the September 15, 2025, Special Meeting.
3. Recommendation to approve meeting minutes for the September 8, and September 22, 2025, Regular Meetings.
4. Correspondence log is available for public view.

DEPARTMENT HEADS AND ADMINISTRATORS

Police Chief Vito F. Sinopoli

Report / Recommendations

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Fire Chief Rob Campbell

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Oath of Office

The Oath of Office of Alexander Briant, full-time Firefighter/Paramedic administered by Board President Elaina Goodrich.

Assistant Service Director Sean Humphrys

Report / Recommendations

Parks Director Jeff France

Report / Recommendations

Planning Director / Zoning Inspector William Funk

Report / Recommendations

Administrator Vito F. Sinopoli

Report / Recommendations

1. Recommendation to approve the hiring of Michelle Smith for the position of Part-time Finance Coordinator effective November 3, 2025, at the hourly rate of \$25.00 and subject to compliance with all rules and regulations of Bath Township, along with a one-year probationary period.

TRUSTEES: Elaina Goodrich, Sharon Troike, and Sean Gaffney

- Sharon Troike: Summit e-Waste Electronics Recycling Event
- Sean Gaffney: Barn Social
- Elaina Goodrich: Fall into Nature and Trick or Treat

COMMUNITY UPDATES

1. ADM Board of Summit County: Aimee Wade, Executive Director; Anne Gatti, Retired Clinician; and Jeannine Marks, ADM Board Member

2. Summit County Executive's Office: Andrew Barry, Summit County Executive's Office Attorney; Brian Nelsen, Summit county Executive's Office Chief of Staff

FUTURE TRUSTEE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Zoning Commission	October 9, 2025, 6pm	Trustee Meeting Room
Discover Bath Barns	October 14, 2025, 5pm	Trustee Meeting Room
Board of Trustees Meeting	October 20, 2025, 4pm	Trustee Meeting Room
Water and Sewer District Board Meeting	October 20, 2025, 6pm	Trustee Conference Room
Board of Zoning Appeals	October 21, 2025, 7pm	Trustee Meeting Room
Halloween Fire and Police Open House	October 26, 2025, 3-5pm	Lower parking lot 3864 W. Bath Rd.
Bath Township Trick or Treat	October 26, 2025, 5-7pm	Community Wide
Appearance Review Commission	November 3, 2025, 5pm	Trustee Meeting Room
Board of Trustees Meeting	November 6, 2025, 6:30pm	Trustee Meeting Room

*A full list of events and meetings is posted to www.bathtownship.org and updated weekly.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Citizens must be recognized by the President of the Board of Trustees prior to speaking.

Citizens will identify themselves by name and address.

Citizens' comments will be limited to 5 minutes each.

Citizens' comments must be addressed to the Board.

A citizen is called out of order twice. He or she will then be asked to leave.

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING / ADJOURNMENT

Bath Township Check Register

Check Number	Check Date	Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Payment Type	Amount
000000737	10/06/2025	00267	HALL PUBLIC SAFETY CO	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$1,429.99
000000738	10/06/2025	00278	WESTERN RESERVE PSYCHOLOGICAL	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$2,250.00
000000739	10/06/2025	02361	THE SOURCE INDUSTRIES	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$668.00
000000740	10/06/2025	02920	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$1,401.07
000000741	10/06/2025	shaffer eric	SHAFFER, ERIC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$70.00
000000742	10/06/2025	00709	ALCO-CHEM INC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$75.09
000000743	10/06/2025	bergdorf, brent	BERGDORF, BRENT	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$181.28
000000744	10/06/2025	charter communicati	CHARTER COMMUNICATION - INTERNE	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$1,425.64
000000745	10/06/2025	warren fire equipmen	MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$200.00
000000746	10/06/2025	cornell, linda	CORNELL, LINDA	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$245.08
000000747	10/06/2025	00745	CUYAHOGA LANDMARK INC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$5,837.19
000000748	10/06/2025	akron canton waste o	ECO-MAXX FLUID RESOURCES LLC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$107.50
000000749	10/06/2025	01953	HISSONG KENWORTH INC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$1,573.37
000000750	10/06/2025	01863	MASTHEAD HOLDINGS LLC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$121.60
000000751	10/06/2025	01178	MAR-ZANE INC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$603.40
000000752	10/06/2025	00578	ICR ELECTRIC INC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$2,790.00
000000753	10/06/2025	red wing	RED WING BUSINESS ADVANTAGE AC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$400.00
000000754	10/06/2025	00307	MERRICK ENTERPRISES	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$225.00
000000755	10/06/2025	02094	DELL MARKETING LP	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$11,569.42
000000756	10/06/2025	forerunner technologi	FORERUNNER TECHNOLOGIES INC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$27.08
000000757	10/06/2025	comdoc inc	COMDOC INC	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$393.55
000000758	10/06/2025	00329	INDEPENDENCE OFFICE & BUSINESS S	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$290.85
000000759	10/06/2025	bain enterprises	BAIN ENTERPRISES	ACH VENDOR PAY	\$532.00
Grand Total:			Number Of Checks: 23		\$32,417.11

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Check Number	Check Date	Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Payment Type	Amount
0000065640	10/06/2025	00993	AKRON PUBLIC UTILITIES BUREAU	Checks for 0001	\$342.96
0000065641	10/06/2025	01944	AKRON TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT	Checks for 0001	\$166.35
0000065642	10/06/2025	01551	AKRON UNIFORMS	Checks for 0001	\$4,957.71
0000065643	10/06/2025	02562	ALLIED CORP INC	Checks for 0001	\$1,126.24
0000065644	10/06/2025	00490	ASAP DOOR COMPANY	Checks for 0001	\$359.00
0000065645	10/06/2025	at&t mobility national	AT&T MOBILITY II, LLC	Checks for 0001	\$2,020.45
0000065646	10/06/2025	01588	BATH TRACTOR	Checks for 0001	\$30.40
0000065647	10/06/2025	belfor	BELFOR USA GROUP INC	Checks for 0001	\$31,740.00
0000065648	10/06/2025	00118	BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	Checks for 0001	\$210.81
0000065649	10/06/2025	brightview	BRIGHTVIEW LANDSCAPES LLC	Checks for 0001	\$11,522.13
0000065650	10/06/2025	00646	C & L SHOES INC	Checks for 0001	\$400.00
0000065651	10/06/2025	02196	CARGILL INC	Checks for 0001	\$2,951.20
0000065652	10/06/2025	01317	CORE & MAIN LP	Checks for 0001	\$1,390.32
0000065653	10/06/2025	03036	EDGE DOCUMENT SOLUTIONS, LLC	Checks for 0001	\$950.00
0000065654	10/06/2025	00386	GANLEY FORD INC	Checks for 0001	\$1,121.85
0000065655	10/06/2025	genuine parts compa	GENUINE PARTS COMPANY INC	Checks for 0001	\$1,009.92
0000065656	10/06/2025	00159	GRAINGER INC	Checks for 0001	\$88.63
0000065657	10/06/2025	00358	HENDERSON PRODUCTS INC.	Checks for 0001	\$62.86
0000065658	10/06/2025	02204	HOME DEPOT	Checks for 0001	\$122.55
0000065659	10/06/2025	indy equipment remit	INDY EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY LLC	Checks for 0001	\$21.68
0000065660	10/06/2025	jesser whitehurst, mi	JESSER WHITEHURST, MICHELE	Checks for 0001	\$31.44
0000065661	10/06/2025	00932	KOORSEN FIRE & SECURITY INC	Checks for 0001	\$5,859.81
0000065662	10/06/2025	medical mutual	Medical Mutual	Checks for 0001	\$4,544.23
0000065663	10/06/2025	01070	MIRACLE CUSTOM AWARDS & GIFTS	Checks for 0001	\$20.00
0000065664	10/06/2025	00111	MONTROSE FORD	Checks for 0001	\$218.57
0000065665	10/06/2025	Ohio Edison Claims	OHIO EDISON	Checks for 0001	\$2,584.63
0000065666	10/06/2025	state of ohio oh st hig	OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL	Checks for 0001	\$707.00
0000065667	10/06/2025	recdesk llc	RecDesk LLC	Checks for 0001	\$5,040.00
0000065668	10/06/2025	RUMPKE WASTE &	RUMPKE OF NORTHERN OHIO INC	Checks for 0001	\$78.20
0000065669	10/06/2025	safety resources	SAFETY RESOURCES COMPANY OF O	Checks for 0001	\$145.00
0000065670	10/06/2025	signal service compa	SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY	Checks for 0001	\$1,242.28
0000065671	10/06/2025	Summit County Publi	SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH	Checks for 0001	\$90.00
0000065672	10/06/2025	02800	SUNDANCE SYSTEMS INC	Checks for 0001	\$6,000.00
0000065673	10/06/2025	01420	UNITED RENTALS	Checks for 0001	\$280.00
0000065674	10/06/2025	winsupply	WINSUPPLY AKRON OH CO	Checks for 0001	\$175.34
Grand Total:			Number Of Checks: 35		\$87,611.56

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Check Number	Check Date	Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Payment Type	Amount
000000830	10/06/2025	00015	OHIO EDISON	EFT for 0001-TRUST	\$8,239.85
Grand Total:			Number Of Checks: 1		\$8,239.85

**BATH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CORRESPONDENCE LOG**

DATE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBJECT MATTER	REFERRED TO:
9.17.25	Libby Bauman	Ideas for articles and Veterans	Trustee Gaffney
9.26.25	April Underwood	Community request for Mountain Biking and skateboarding facilities	Township Trustees
10.4.25	Alan Kurzweil	Pickleball of course	Trustee Goodrich

Chief of Police Report

October 6, 2025

Department Trainings:

Officer Chapman – Glock Armor Training 9/23/2025

Department Highlights:

Sydney Uridel from The University of Akron joins our department as an Intern for 10 weeks beginning 9/3/2025.

Letters of Appreciation were sent to the department on 9/16/2025 from Mr. Ruff's 4th and 5th-grade classes at Old Trail School and posted for the officers to see. This was very appreciated by the officers.

A special thank you goes out to Mr. John Kim and Associates from Symphony Financial Services for providing lunch for the Bath PD staff on September 24, 2025.

Thank you to the local Walmart for their donation of two bicycles for the Fall into Nature raffle.

Our department received a Flock Alert on September 30, 2025, for a reported missing person from another community. Officers responded to the location and were able to make a traffic stop. Officers made transport arrangements for the individual to a local hospital, who was experiencing a mental health crisis. Thank you to Sgt. Alexander, Officers Campbell, Klein, and Pemberton, for their quick response and professional handling of this situation.

September Statistics:

All Calls for Service 1,972 [100%]
Community Policing 1,416 [72%]
Traffic Stops 64 [3%]
Traffic Accidents 52 [3%]
Alarm Drops 20 [1%]
Sexual Offense 0 Robbery 0 Burglary 1
All other calls for service: 420 [21%]
Booking Charges [Total] 17
OVI/DUI 1
Theft 4
Assault 1
Resisting Arrest 1

Recommendations:

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To: Bath Township Trustees – Sean Gaffney, Elaina Goodrich and Sharon Troike
Fiscal Officer – Laura Tuttle
Bath Administrator - Vito Sinopoli

From: Rob Campbell, Fire Chief

Date: October 6, 2025

September 2025 Calls

Station 1 = 68
Station 2 = 68
All Stations = 7
Total = 143

EMS = 101
Fire = 42

Total Transports = 67

Mutual Aid Given= 8
Mutual Aid Received= 7

Yearly Call Total: 1,413
EMS = 959
FIRE = 454

TRAINING:
Classes = 14
Hours = 32

Firefighters Brent Bergdorf and Trent Ware attended OHCON, Ohio Public Safety UAS Conference on the latest drone technology, real-world tactics, and mission-ready solutions.

INSPECTIONS:

Annual	48
Plan Review	1
Reinspection	5
TOTAL	<hr/> 54

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FIREFIGHTERS OATH

I, Alexander Briant, as a Full-Time Firefighter Paramedic of the Bath Township Fire Department, do solemnly swear to uphold and abide by the Constitution of the United States, the laws of the State of Ohio, the Charter of Summit County, the rules and regulations of Bath Township and the Bath Township Fire Department. I will faithfully, honestly, and impartially discharge my duties as a Firefighter Paramedic for Bath Township.

Sworn to me this 6th day of October 2025.

Laura Tuttle, Fiscal Officer
Bath Township

Elaina E. Goodrich, President
Bath Township Board of Trustees

SERVICE DIRECTOR Caine Collins

AGENDA FOR THE TRUSTEE MEETING 10.6.2025

Buildings and Grounds:

No new business to report.

Roads:

Service Crew Monthly Report for September

Resident Service Requests received: 22

Resident Service Requests resolved: 20

Township Service Requests received: 12

Township Service Requests resolved: 8

Right of Way Permits: 2 Utility & 2 Residential

Drive Culverts: 2

Drive Tie-Ins: 2

Asphalt Aprons: 3

Catch Basins: 2

Linear Feet of Ditching: 400'

Approx Tons of Asphalt Used: 29.84

Miscellaneous:

Vehicle Maintenance/Repairs; Shop, Buildings, and Grounds Maintenance/Repairs; Cemetery Maintenance, Restorations, Foundations, and Burial Assistance; Roadway Tree Trimming and Removal; Roadside Mowing; Dead Animal Removal from Township Roadways; Installation and Repairs of Address Markers and Street Signs/Posts; Pothole Patching; Road Repairs; Continuous Cleaning and Sanitizing of Shop and Trucks; Service Request Requests and Restorations; Roadside Sign Removal; and Emptying of the Organic Recycle Trailer.

Training:

ODOT District 4 Snow & Ice Control Workshop: Ricky Brogan, Ryan Bracken, Greg Klebs, Ben Mathie, Nick Barker, Owen Pasterchek, and Doug Fair

Summit Soil & Water District MCM Pollution Prevention & Good Housekeeping Workshop: Sean Humphrys

2025 APWA Ohio Public Service Institute: Sean Humphrys

Cemetery Burials:

Moore's Chapel: 3 Cremations

Recommendations by the Service Director:

No recommendations at this time.

BATH PARKS DIRECTOR Jeff France

AGENDA FOR THE TRUSTEE MEETING 10.6.2025

General Park Information:

Park personnel checked and inspected all the trails, performed routine inspections on the playgrounds, performed general buildings and grounds maintenance/repairs, and completed vehicle and equipment maintenance/repairs

Bath Baseball Park:

The ballfields were playable 87% of the time. Records show there was precipitation on 4 days in September, with an approximate total of 2.51 inches.

Bath Community Park:

Wertz Geotechnical Engineering did minor clearing and boring in preparation for continued work on the master plan project for the Bath Community Park.

Bath Hill Park:

No new business to report.

Bath Nature Preserve:

Park personnel spent time preparing for the Fall into Nature Event that took place on October 4th.

Park personnel installed four benches at the Akron University field station in the Bath Nature Preserve.

North Fork Preserve of Bath:

North Fork Preserve is closed due to Hummel construction beginning work on Barn Restoration Project.

Training

- Colin Tuttle attended a Certified Playground Safety Inspector Course
- Jeff France attended the Ohio Public Service Institute Training (Supervisory Skills)
- Kelly D'abramo obtained her CDL-A
- Evan Osborne completed his CDL-A on-line training

Recommendations:

No recommendations at this time.



To: Board of Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Administrator, Executive Assistant
From: William Funk Planning Director/Zoning Inspector
Date: October 2, 2025
Re: Zoning Report for the month of September

Permits

During the month 19 zoning permits were issued in the following categories:

- Accessory Structure 4
- Fence 4
- Swimming Pool 3
- Sign 3
- Residential Addition 2
- New Commercial Building 1
- Business Use 1
- Subdivision 1

Zoning Commission

September 11, 2025, Zoning Commission public hearing:

- The Zoning Commission reconvened their public hearing on the proposed Ghent Interchange Overlay District. The Township gave a presentation to the commission and updated them on a potential development on subarea 1. The commission heard comments from the public. Following discussions the commission moved to postpone the public hearing until the November 13, 2025, meeting date.

Appearance Review Commission

September 8, 2025, the Appearance Review Commission reviewed the following cases:

- ARC 25-15, OLIO Development Group for Raising Cane's, recommended to approve the proposed signage for Raising Cane's at 3921 Medina Rd., located in the B-2 Business District.
- ARC 25-16, Tom Giltner for Corner Provisions, recommended to approve the proposed building signage for Corner Provisions at 1070 Ghent Rd., located in the B-1 Business District.
- ARC 25-17, Lindsey Gartman and Amy Ford for Woven Works Bookshop, recommended to approve the proposed signage for Woven Words Bookshop at 843 N. Cleveland Massillon Rd., located in the B-5 Business District.
- ARC 25-18, Tom Stenger for Iradale Allotment, recommended to approve the proposed signage for the Iradale Subdivision at the intersection of Ira Rd. and Kemery Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.
- ARC 25-19, Jeff Clark of Easy Sign Group for Yellow Creek Veterinary Surgery, recommended to approve the proposed signage for the Iradale Subdivision at the intersection of Ira Rd. and Kemery Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.

Board of Zoning Appeals

September 16, 2025, the Board of Zoning Appeals heard the following cases:

- BZA 25-21, Mike Orley of Boulder Homes, approved a variance request to encroach upon the riparian setback for a new residence at 4245 Cliff Spur Dr., located in the R-2 Residential District.
- BZA 25-18, Carly Detar of OLIO Development Group, approved a variance exceed the area and location of wall signage for Raising Cane's at 3921 Medina Rd., located in the B-2 Business District.
- BZAA 25-19, Tom Giltner for Corner Provisions for Corner Provisions, tabled a variance to exceed the area and location of wall signage for Corner Provisions at 1070 Ghent Rd., located in the B-1 Business District.

- BZA 25-22, Joe Chiera, approved a variance request to encroach upon the side yard setback and to exceed the footprint area for an accessory structure at 682 N. Hametown Rd., located in the R-2 Residential District.

Solid Waste

- New Customers 16
- Vacation Customers 15
- Total Customers 3,427

Miscellaneous

- None

Recommendations

- None



To: Board of Trustees
From: Vito F. Sinopoli, Township Administrator
Date: September 22, 2025
Re: Administrator's Report – 9/22/25

REPORT:

The Ohio Legislature recently overrode the Governor's veto and eliminated the ability for townships to place new replacement levies on the ballot. This is an important change for local governments like Bath, because replacement levies have long been one of the most flexible tools for managing township budgets and keeping up with rising costs.

To explain it simply, a replacement levy takes the place of an existing levy when it expires and resets the revenue based on current property values. This allows the township to keep service levels stable as expenses go up over time. With this change in state law, Bath can no longer propose replacement levies at all.

Renewal levies are still allowed, but renewals are based on property values from when the levy was first approved. That means if a levy was passed decades ago, it's still locked in at that old value, no matter how much the costs of providing services have increased.

The concern is that without replacement levies, townships across Ohio will lose a critical tool for long-term financial planning. The Ohio Township Association (OTA) has expressed disappointment in this decision because it makes it harder to prepare responsibly for future operational needs.

While this won't have an immediate impact on the levies already in place, over time, it will limit Bath's ability to maintain funding levels for essential services like police, fire and EMS, roads, and park maintenance. Without the option of replacement levies, Bath will likely face situations where revenues can't keep up with costs, and that could force difficult decisions about service levels.

So, while nothing changes overnight, this is a significant shift that all residents should be aware of. It will have long-term implications for how townships manage budgets and deliver services to residents.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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