

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Cardington Township

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held November 10, 2025

Cardington Township held a regular meeting on November 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM in the township garage. The meeting was opened with pledge to flag and prayer by Heacock.

Trustees: Heacock, Patterson, Green Fiscal Officer: Hardwick
Zoning Inspector: Toombs Employees: Moss and Meyers
Others: Rick Fryman, Craig Adair, Jon Mason, Dan Cech,

MINUTES:

* Green moved, Patterson seconded, to approve the October 13th regular meeting minutes as presented. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

ZONING:

* Permit #110425CT – David & Lisa Baker, 4955 CR 28 – addition for covered front porch – fee \$125.

* Toombs pointed out that the newly approved fee schedule does not include a fee for additions, so he charged the above permit as an accessory building.

* Trustees and Toombs had discussion of the abandoned Chevy truck at 4400 US Hwy 42 that has been left in the road right of way for over a year. Many letters have been sent to the resident of the property and the landowner by the zoning inspector and county prosecutor. Certified letters that were sent on May 7, 2025 and September 5, 2025 were not accepted. ORC 505.871(B) allows that a vehicle left on public property can be removed immediately. Toombs talked to a A-Rays Towing in Edison; they have experience with this situation. They will tow and store the vehicle and try to locate the owner. If futile, they will obtain a salvage title and sell the vehicle. There would be no charge to the Township. Green moved, Patterson seconded, for the abatement of a nuisance in accord with O.R.C. 505.871. (Resolution attached) Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

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* Trustees and Toombs discussed the Mollett property on US Hwy 42. They have two residences on one parcel. Many letters have been sent to the landowner by the zoning inspector and county prosecutor. In order to comply with zoning, the landowner must get a survey and obtain a lot split. The Township can take civil action against the landowner for violating the zoning resolution. Toombs has left a message with the Prosecutor's office to find out if they will represent the Township in this matter.

* Toombs shared that the Zoning Board of Commission will have a meeting tomorrow evening to decide a text amendment to the zoning resolution. If the Zoning Board approves the text amendment, then the trustees will need to have a public hearing and vote on the matter in December.

* Patterson moved, Heacock seconded, to update the zoning forms and fee schedule to include addition/accessory building \$125. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

ROADS:

* Moss provided trustees with an update: mowing, trimming back brush, removing dumped furniture, hanging road signs. He reports 15-20 more road signs to hang. He ordered road salt and hopes it comes in this week and would like to fill potholes this week.

EQUIPMENT:

* Moss reported that Mathews cancelled the recall for the F550. The dump truck is at Lincoln Manufacturing getting grates. He has ordered oil and filters to service the

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equipment. The F550 needs rear tires; he plans to get them at Carsner's. He asked the trustees about the plans for the road grader.

* Heacock moved, Patterson seconded, to advertise for bids for the road grader with no minimum bid in the Morrow County Sentinel and OTA website. Bid opening at the year-end meeting. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

* Steve Gordon offered his used excavator for sale to the Township. While the Township is interested, trustees decided their higher priority is a tractor and mower. Moss stated that a mower and tractor would cost approximately \$208,000. Hardwick shared that FCBank offers financing at an approximate rate of 6.75-7.75%. Moss said Sourcewell also offers financing. In order to save money next year, he would like to do only chip & seal for roads and repave TR 128 with OPWC funding.

OLD BUSINESS:

* Patterson moved, Heacock seconded, to quit-claim roughly 0.092 acres on County Road 11 to Carol Ebert. (Resolution attached) Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

* Hardwick submitted the indigent burial reimbursement to the State and the OPWC grant application to repave TR 128. Patterson found the BMV form to obtain Township license plates; Hardwick will complete and submit them for two trucks and one trailer.

* The replacement fire levy passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

* The Township received additional letters in the mail from Morrow County citizens who support the solar project. Hardwick distributed them to the trustees.

* Patterson shared that he has received three website proposals. The recent OTA magazine discussed that website services will be offered January 1. Patterson plans to attend the annual OTA conference.

* Green reported that the trustees had a joint meeting with Lincoln and Westfield Township on November 3 to appoint one ad hoc member and one alternate to the Ohio Power Siting Board for the Open Roads Renewable solar project. Green commended Adair and Cech from Open Roads Renewable for their professional conduct. He stated he is not opposed to solar but he is opposed to this site and the neighbors do not want this project. He wants to support the Westfield and Lincoln Township trustees' decision. Green moved to oppose this particular site for the Open Roads Renewable solar project. The motion died for lack of second.

* Heacock and Patterson both commented on respecting Green's opinion and their position of neutrality. Mason commented that the Commissioners want to support the townships and their opinions. He conveyed that the written opinions submitted to OPSB matter.

* Patterson moved, Heacock seconded, to formally declare a position of neutrality regarding the proposed Crossroads Solar Grazing Center. (Resolution attached) Roll Call: Heacock yes, Green no, Patterson yes. Hardwick will submit this resolution to the County Prosecutor and to the Ohio Power Siting Board.

FINANCIAL:

* Heacock moved, Patterson seconded, to inspect and sign checks 17434-17450 and electronic payment 37. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

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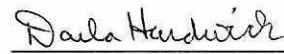
* Hardwick presented the Township's Cash Summary by Fund report and Fund Status report. The October bank reconciliation was distributed for signing by the board. Heacock moved, Patterson seconded, to accept them as submitted. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

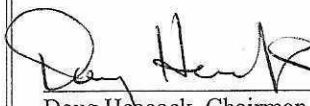
EXECUTIVE SESSION:


* Patterson moved, Heacock seconded, to adjourn into executive session in accordance with O.R.C. 121.22(G)(2) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. Executive session included elected officials, Toombs, and Moss at 8:30. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

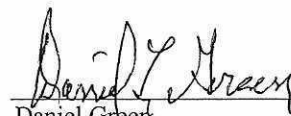
Executive session concluded at 8:40.

Heacock moved, Patterson seconded, to adjourn. Time 8:45.


 Darla Hardwick, Fiscal Officer


 Doug Heacock, Chairman


 Michael Patterson


 Daniel Green

CARDINGTON TOWNSHIP, MORROW COUNTY

Payment Listing
 10/14/2025 to 11/10/2025

Payment Advice #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount
37-2025	10/27/2025	10/23/2025	EW	United States Treasury	\$1,135.80
17330	06/09/2025	06/08/2025	AW	Grain Train Farmers 4-H	\$12.50 *
17330	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	AW	Grain Train Farmers 4-H	VOID - \$12.50
17434	10/24/2025	10/23/2025	AW	Gompf Funeral Service	\$1,300.00
17435	10/27/2025	10/23/2025	PR	Zachary P Meyers	\$43.08
17436	10/27/2025	10/23/2025	PR	Keegen L Moss	\$1,076.22
17437	10/27/2025	10/23/2025	PR	Harvey L Smith	\$167.78
17438	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	PR	Daniel L Green	\$776.02
17439	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	PR	Darla Sue Hardwick	\$1,313.35
17440	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	PR	DOUG E HEACOCK	\$926.02
17441	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	PR	Keegen L Moss	\$1,207.28
17442	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	PR	J: MICHAEL PATTERSON	\$776.02
17443	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	PR	Christopher M Toombs	\$525.73
17444	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	WH	Public Employees Retirement System	\$2,110.97
17445	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	AW	Cardington Home and Auto	\$97.45
17446	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	AW	OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION	\$250.00
17447	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	AW	AIM Media Midwest Operating, LLC	\$35.00
17448	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	AW	GLENDALE UNION CEMETERY	\$74,101.41
17449	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	AW	VILLAGE OF CARDINGTON - FIRE DEPT.	\$42,750.90
17450	11/10/2025	11/06/2025	AW	Grain Train Farmers 4-H	\$12.50
Total Payments:					\$128,593.03

RESOLUTION

2025-12

For the abatement of a nuisance in accord with O.R.C. 505.871

Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Cardington Township of Morrow County, Ohio that:

1. The Board of Cardington Township hereby determines that the white Chevrolet pick-up truck located at 4400 US Hwy 42, Cardington (property owned by Trust 4400, 4364 N High Street, Columbus, OH 43214) is a junk motor vehicle that has been in the road right-of-way for over one year. The vehicle is more than three years old, apparently inoperable, and extensively damaged. This problem constitutes a nuisance.
2. The truck is located on public property and will be removed immediately as allowed in O.R.C. 505.871(B). Any expenses incurred in performing that task will be entered upon the tax duplicate and will be a lien upon the land from the date of entry on the record.
3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Trustees concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted at an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board or any of its sub-committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public and complies with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Date of Passage: November 10, 2025

Doug Heacock
Trustee

J. Michael Pitt
Trustee

Daniel J. Keane
Trustee

Attest: Daula Hardwick
Fiscal Officer

RESOLUTION 2025-11

TO QUIT-CLAIM ROUGHLY 0.092 ACRES ON COUNTY ROAD 11 PARCEL NO: C07-503-00-092-00

The Board of Trustees of Cardington Township, Morrow County Ohio, met in regular session on November 10, 2025, with the following members present:

Heacock, Patterson, and Green.

Patterson moved for adoption of the following resolution.

WHEREAS, The Trustees have certain real estate that they wish to dispose of that is unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property and worth less than \$2,500.00 in accordance with ORC 505.10(A)(6). The legal description is attached to this resolution.

THEREFORE, is hereby resolved that the property shall be quitclaimed to Carol Ebert whose tax-mailing address is 2053 Co Rd 11, Cardington, OH 43315.

Heacock Seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was unanimous follows:

	Yea	Nea
Trustee <u>Doug Hank</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trustee <u>J. McRobb</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trustee <u>Daniel J. Green</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Resolution # 2025-11 Adopted on November 10, 2025

RESOLUTION 2025- 13

Position of Neutrality Regarding the Proposed Crossroads Solar Grazing Center

A RESOLUTION TO FORMALLY DECLARE THE POSITION OF THE CARDINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGARDING THE PROPOSED CROSSROADS SOLAR GRAZING CENTER LOCATED WITHIN CARDINGTON, LINCOLN, AND WESTFIELD TOWNSHIPS, MORROW COUNTY, OHIO.

The Board of Trustees of Cardington Township, Morrow County Ohio, met in regular session on November 10, 2025.

Paterson

_____ moved for adoption of the following resolution.

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2025, Crossroads Solar I, LLC submitted a formal application to the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) for a 94-megawatt solar-powered electric generation facility known as the Crossroads Solar Grazing Center (Case No. 25-0142-EL-BGN); and

WHEREAS, the proposed Crossroads Solar Grazing Center has been publicly announced to be located within portions of Cardington, Lincoln, and Westfield Townships, Morrow County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, this proposed project is partially grandfathered under Ohio Senate Bill 52 and therefore remains subject to the approval jurisdiction of the Ohio Power Siting Board; and

WHEREAS, the Cardington Township Board of Trustees has received written correspondence, emails, public statements, and direct resident feedback expressing a wide range of opinions regarding this project, including support, neutrality, and opposition; and

WHEREAS, based on the totality of communication received to date, public viewpoint within Cardington Township appears to be approximately evenly divided and not clearly weighted toward either support or opposition; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that private landowners maintain certain property rights under both the Ohio Constitution and Ohio Revised Code, and such rights should not be infringed by the township without lawful cause; and

WHEREAS, the Board also recognizes the importance of protecting township residents, agricultural land, natural resources, drainage and watershed systems, public road infrastructure, emergency services, and long-term economic and land use planning interests; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes it is the responsibility of the OPSB to conduct a thorough, fact-based review including environmental, agricultural, siting, economic, grid reliability, decommissioning, and public interest considerations in accordance with state law; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that neutrality best preserves the ability of township officials and residents to continue evaluating information, requesting conditions, submitting testimony, and seeking mitigation or protections through the OPSB process as the case proceeds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Cardington Township, Morrow County, Ohio, that:

1. **Cardington Township hereby declares a position of neutrality** at this time regarding the proposed Crossroads Solar Grazing Center referenced herein.
2. This resolution neither endorses nor opposes the project and shall not be interpreted as a directive to support or oppose such project before OPSB or any other agency.
3. Cardington Township reserves the right to submit comments, conditions, or protective requests to OPSB for the purpose of safeguarding township public interests including but not limited to drainage, road usage and repairs, stormwater management, decommissioning, emergency services coordination, and long-term land use compatibility.
4. Cardington Township encourages all residents to continue providing comments and testimony directly to OPSB so that the full range of local viewpoints may be considered by the State in its legal review.
5. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its adoption.

Heacock Seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote of the board of trustees was:	Yea	Nay
Trustee <u>Heacock</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>
Trustee <u>Green</u>	<u> </u>	<u>✓</u>
Trustee <u>Patterson</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>

Attest: Darla Hardwick
Fiscal Officer

Adopted on November 10, 2025