

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Cardington Township

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 1014B

Held

December 8,

2025

Cardington Township held a regular meeting on December 8, 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

Employee: Moss

Others: There were approximately 20 additional guests in attendance. Those that signed in were Dakota Robinson, Craig Adair, Dan Cech, Wes Goodman, Marie Gilles, Carla McWilliams, Amy Ruggles, Jeff Sourwine, Charles McWilliams, Dwight & Melissa Miller, Crystal VonSchubert, Karen Hart, Carl C. Ferguson. In addition, Rick Fryman, Vicki Kerman, John Miller, Andy Wick – County Prosecutor.

## MINUTES:

\* Patterson moved, Green seconded, to approve the November 3<sup>rd</sup> special meeting and November 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes as presented. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

## DISCUSSION:

\* Heacock read excerpts from the Ohio Power Siting Board staff report that was released on December 5. It did not set well with him. Heacock moved, Green seconded, to rescind the resolution of neutrality for the solar project. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Green yes, Patterson no.

\* Heacock moved, Green seconded, to oppose the solar project. Under discussion, Patterson stated that in May, he read reasons for his position of neutrality. As a representative of the residents, he has kept track of their positions, and they are fifty-fifty. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Green yes, Patterson no. (Resolution attached)

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## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Carla McWilliams, Wes Goodman, and Charlie McWilliams all shared thoughts about the solar project. One resident asked about all the closed bridges in Cardington Township; trustees informed him that bridges are the County Engineer's responsibility.

## ROADS:

\* Moss provided trustees with an update: mowing is completed for the year, road salt was delivered, the County closed a bridge on TR 141, about 10 road signs left to install, a company is installing fiber optics on roads 142, 134, 66, and 138.

## EQUIPMENT:

\* Moss reported that the plow and salt spreader are working well. He has had to make repairs to hydraulics and bearings on the spreader. The roller and 550 were serviced. Moss contacted our state representative about grant availability for a tractor.

\* Steve Gordon offered his used mini excavator with many attachments for sale to the Township again for \$40,000. Trustees discussed that even though a tractor is a higher priority, they do not want to pass up a good deal. Heacock moved, Green seconded, to purchase the excavator from Gordon. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

\* Heacock moved, Patterson seconded, to increase Gas Tax Fund appropriations by \$40,000. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

## OLD BUSINESS:

\* Hardwick reported that she filed the quit-claim deed for the CR 11 property at the County Recorder's office, and Heacock gave the original copy of the deed to the Ebert family.

\* Patterson compared website proposals from four companies and the current site. Patterson moved, Heacock seconded, to utilize the Ohio Township Association Service Corp / Shumaker Technology Group to setup and manage the Township website on an ongoing basis. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

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December 8,

20 25

NEW BUSINESS:

\* The Township will hold the year-end meeting December 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM; the year-end meeting will also include opening bids for the grader and a hearing for text amendment to the zoning resolution. The 2026 organizational meeting will be after the joint meeting with the Village on January 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

\* Hardwick received correspondence from the State that Ohio and school district payroll withholdings are to be paid monthly instead of quarterly starting in 2026. Ohio Power Siting Board sent correspondence of the journal entries for the Crossroads solar grazing project.

\* Patterson reminded that the Morrow County Township Association meeting will be December 18, and he handed out surveys that MCTA would like completed. OTA also has a survey about AI they would like completed.

FINANCIAL:

\* Heacock moved, Patterson seconded, to inspect and sign checks 17451-17473 and electronic payment 40. Roll Call: Heacock yes, Patterson yes, Green yes.

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

ZONING:

\* Permit #110425CT – David & Lisa Baker, 4955 CR 28 – addition to back of house – fee \$125.

\* Hardwick read Toomb's zoning report.

- 1) The junk vehicle (white pickup truck) was removed from US 42 right of way by A-Rays towing. There has been no further communication or question about the vehicle or its removal.
- 2) The zoning commission board met on November 11 to review the text amendment application from Gene Gompf. The commission voted unanimously to recommend to the trustees to adopt the text amendment - to change crematories from prohibited use to conditional use in the zoning resolution. The trustees will have a public hearing and vote on this at their year-end meeting on December 31. Hardwick provided a copy of the minutes from the zoning commission meeting to the trustees.
- 3) Permit #120825CT – Jason Hampton, 3875 Shaw Lane – detached garage – fee \$125.
- 4) Toombs is in communication with the prosecutor's office regarding the Mollett property; he will advise further at the year-end meeting.
- 5) Toombs talked to Patterson about electronic records to record zoning commission and appeals board meetings.

\* Patterson commented that the zoning commission and zoning appeals boards need to have their own organizational meetings.

\* Andy Wick, County Prosecutor, attended the meeting to discuss the Mollett property on US 42. He said he will meet with Toombs to go over zoning language.

\* Toombs arrived at 8:00 and gave report.

DISCUSSION:

\* Patterson reported that the Ohio Power Siting Board will have a public hearing at the Methodist Church on Wednesday. The Township has the ability to request stipulations, provisions, conditions to work with the developer and all the parties in order to ask for things that are important to the Township; the Township needs to document whether to participate or not. Heacock stated he is ready to step away from this; Green has not changed his mind.

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Patterson moved, Green seconded, to adjourn. Time 8:15.

*Darla Hardwick*  
Darla Hardwick, Fiscal Officer

*Doug Heacock*  
Doug Heacock, Chairman

*Michael Patterson*  
Michael Patterson

*Daniel Green*  
Daniel Green

CARDINGTON TOWNSHIP, MORROW COUNTY  
**Payment Listing**  
11/11/2025 to 12/8/2025

Payment Advice #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount
40-2025	11/24/2025	11/20/2025	EW	United States Treasury	
17451	11/24/2025	11/20/2025	PR	Zachary P Meyers	\$1,033.16
17452	11/24/2025	11/20/2025	PR	Keegen L Moss	\$381.94
17453	11/24/2025	11/20/2025	PR	Harvey L Smith	\$974.29
17454	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	Daniel L Green	\$292.29
17455	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	Darla Sue Hardwick	\$776.02
17456	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	DOUG E HEACOCK	\$1,313.35
17457	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	Zachary P Meyers	\$926.02
17458	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	Keegen L Moss	\$427.61
17459	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	J. MICHAEL PATTERSON	\$974.29
17460	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	Harvey L Smith	\$776.02
17461	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	PR	Christopher M Toombs	\$661.39
17462	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	WH	Public Employees Retirement System	\$525.73
17463	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	Donald D. Mitchell	\$2,452.91
17464	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	Cardington Home and Auto	\$11,798.16
17465	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	Lincoln Center Manufacturing, LLC	\$864.13
17466	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	TREASURER OF STATE - UAN	\$3,175.00
17467	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	Garverick Surveying, LLC	\$762.00
17468	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	Darla Hardwick	\$800.00
17469	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	Michael Patterson	\$39.00
17470	12/08/2025	12/04/2025	AW	OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION	\$155.88
17471	12/08/2025	12/07/2025	AW	Central Ohio Farmers Co-op, Inc.	\$20.00
17472	12/08/2025	12/08/2025	AW	THE DEXTER COMPANY	\$779.40
17473	12/08/2025	12/08/2025	AW	BUREAU OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$263.63
					\$1,343.00
Total Payments:					\$31,515.22

**RESOLUTION 2025 – 14**

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING 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 December 8, 2025.

Heacock moved for adoption of the following resolution.

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

- 1. Cardington Township hereby formally opposes the proposed Crossroads Solar Project.**

Green 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>PaHerson</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>✓</u>

Attest: Darla Hudwick  
Fiscal Officer

Adopted on December 8, 2025