

Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2026

6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Aranyos at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Morgan-present, Mr. Peck-present, Ms. Aranyos-present, Ms. Forder-present

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Scheduled Guest Speakers

1. Jonathan Zimmerman with New Richmond School District: Mr. Zimmerman detailed the reasoning for the upcoming school levy that will be on the ballot. If the levy would pass it would maintain classroom, instruction, transportation services, and utilities and daily building operations. If the levy does not pass reductions may include elimination of high school transportation, student support personnel, reduce kindergarten to half-day, reduction in Art, PE, Music and Library for students in grades K-8, and building closure and district reconfiguration.
2. Hannah Lubbers with Adams-Clermont Solid Waste District: Ms. Lubbers would like to know what they could do for Monroe Township to keep the recycle containers. The truck has damaged the blacktop and trash is blowing all over the farm field. They offered to supply materials but the township would need to supply the labor. At this time of year, the township does not have the ability to perform this type of work. Ms. Lubber will go back to her Board to see what they can do.
3. Joe Garrett with Trebel: Mr. Garrett informed the Board of Trustees that the price on electric/gas is still on the increase and ask if the Board with approve and Addendum no# 2 to have the ability to negotiate pricing in the future.

Motion# 56-2026 was made by Tom Peck to approve Trebel Addendum no# 2 to Energy Consulting and Management Agreement. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Deputy Montgomery

The report was in writing.

- March 2026 had 51 offense reports and 8 incident reports. Total of 59 calls.
- Highest crime type for March was other offense.

Township Business

Fiscal Officer Candace Forder

Motion# 57-2026 was made by Mr. Peck to approve the Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes dated March 12, 2026 as presented. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Motion# 58-2026 was made by Ms. Morgan to approve the Monroe Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes dated March 31, 2026 as presented. Mr. Peck 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Motion# 59-2026 was made by Mr. Peck to approve the financial statements (included in packets) for the period ending March 31, 2026 as presented. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

A quote was received from the cemetery software from Lazarus in the amount \$13,600.00. This is for three cemeteries: Laurel Carmel, Laurel Memorial and Monroe Presbyterian. Ms. Forder will request a new quote taking out Laurel Carmel.

Zoning Kristen Bennett

The report was in writing.

- 6 permits issued since the last meeting, 14 new violations, and 4 violations addressed.

Maintenance Greg Schrichten

The report was in writing.

- New pipes installed at Fair Oak Park and Pearl Street.
- Department has been mowing Township properties.
- Opening bids for paving of: Fair Oak Road, East Garrison Road, Brooking Road, South Dunham Road, Shirley Drive, and Idlett Hill Road. Bids were received from Brown County Asphalt, Inc., JCS, Inc. and Barrett Paving. Mr. Schrichten will contact the bidders to receive pricing for each Road and not just one total price.

Motion# 60-2026 was made by Mr. Peck to hire Aiden Turner as a part-time (seasonal) employee with a 1-year probation with a pay rate of \$13.00 effective March 30, 2026. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Cemeteries Greg Schrichten

- There has been a request for the Township to purchase back 3 grave sites in the amount of \$1,500.00. The cemeteries currently do not have the funds to purchase back.

Fire/EMS Department Chief Greg Lang

The report was in writing.

- 102 runs for the month of March.

Motion# 61-2026 was made by Ms. Morgan to change the employment status of Sadie Altman from full-time FF/Medic to part-time FF/Medic with a pay change from \$20.55 per hour to \$19.77 per hour effective April 19, 2026. Mr. Peck 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Motion# 62-2026 was made by Mr. Peck to remove part-time FF/EMT Joe Morgan from the roster effective April 19, 2026. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Motion# 63-2026 was made by Mr. Peck to approve Resolution# 2026-03 "Resolution authorizing the Monroe Township Board of Trustees to apply for the 2026 Clermont County Community Development Block Grant for fire department turnout gear and specialized equipment", in the amount of \$108,675.00. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Motion# 64-2026 was made by Mr. Peck to approve the purchase for a E-One fire truck with REV's Financial Services for a 10-year lease agreement with a payment of \$91,681.94 annually at a rate of 4.94 %. The payment will be made from the general fund and the fire/EMS fund accounts. The general fund will pay \$30,000.00 annually and the fire/EMS will pay the balance. If needed the general fund will pay additional on the payment. This is pending the approval of Julia Carney. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Motion# 65-2026 was made by Mr. Peck to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Morgan 2nd the motion.

Vote: Morgan-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Minutes taken by Candace Forder

Ms. Morgan _____

Mr. Peck _____

Ms. Aranyos _____