

# JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Montgomery County

**Organizational and Regular Meeting  
January 12, 2026**

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Fiscal Officer, Elizabeth Kozarec, called the Jackson Township Board of Trustees Organizational and Regular Meeting, to order on **Monday, January 12, 2026** at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was as follows:

<b>ELECTED OFFICIALS:</b>		<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Jim Erisman	Trustee	X	
Michael Moyer	Trustee	X	
Ryan Hodson	Trustee	X	
Elizabeth Kozarec	Fiscal Officer	X	
<b>TOWNSHIP STAFF:</b>			
Chief Mark Bruner	Police Dept.	X	
Chief Jeff Erisman	Farmersville Fire Dept.	X	
Kristen Hamaker	Zoning, Refuse, Park Administrator	X	
Doug Pohl	Road Superintendent		X

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Mrs. Kozarec asked for a nomination for President; Mr. Erisman made a motion that Michael Moyer be President for 2026, Mr. Hodson seconded the motion, motion passed;

<b>VOTE:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

Mrs. Kozarec asked for a nomination for Vice President; Mr. Moyer made a motion that Ryan Hodson be Vice President for 2026; Mr. Erisman seconded the motion, motion passed;

<b>VOTE:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

Mrs. Kozarec asked for a motion to close nominations for officers, Mr. Hodson made a motion that nominations be closed for 2026; Mr. Erisman seconded the motion, motion passed;

<b>VOTE:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

Meeting was handed over to Trustee President, Michael Moyer

**VISITORS:** Mr. Tom Wallace, Ralph Venall, Jimmy Peters, David Prytheral (Miami University) Josh Kohlreiser, Holly Michael, Mark Keener (JEDD)

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

Mr. Mark Keener, with the Valley View JEDD, gave an update on the JEDD income. Current distribution of the income tax collected from the JEDD tax is: Germantown 35%, German Township 35% Farmersville 15% and Jackson Township 10%. Twenty-one percent (21%) is held back before distribution for “special projects” at Valley View. In 2025 it was changed to 15%. To date, Valley View Schools has received \$37,500 in total donations from the JEDD which were used for VVAB weight room project, VVMB trailer, VV BOE greenhouse, keyboards for music, and Stop the Bleed tourniquets, Disc Golf Program, drones, cameras and shade structure over the playground area.

Mr. David Prytheral from Miami University gave us a rough draft of the research they have gathered regarding possible updates and changes we could choose to do at the Park. Some items he talked about was investing in the Community Center or building another larger venue that could generate income that could help fund other things and areas at the Park. The Community Center is the most consistent income we have throughout the year. The income raised from an event venue could help fund Pickle Ball Courts, for instance. He complimented our Park and says it has so much to offer. As for the pool and putting funds into that he made sure to state that they were not hired to make decisions but to supply the research and information. Our pool passes have gone down by 50% since 2021 and public pools like ours have decreased in numbers by about 50%. Mr. Prytheral stated he will have the final draft in February. The draft is attached to the minutes as Appendix A.

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM December 10, 2025, Regular Meeting:** Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said minutes; Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman			X	
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM December 16, 2026, General/Special Meeting:** Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said minutes; Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman			X	
Mr. Hodson	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS AND WARRANTS FROM December 11, 2025**

**THROUGH January 12, 2026:** Mr. Moyer asked for the review and approval of said electronic payments and warrants in the amount of **\$158,813.16**. Mr. Hodson motioned to approve and Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman			X	
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

**SET MEETING DATES AND TIMES FOR 2026 –** Mr. Moyer made motion to keep the Regular Meeting dates on the second Monday of each month. Mr. Hodson seconded. Motion Passed

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

**RENEW ZONING COMMISSION:** None to Renew

**RENEW BZA MEMBER:** None to Renew

**APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE WRCG (Western Regional Council of Governments).** Mr. Moyer motioned to approve Mr. Hodson to the WRCG and Mr. Erisman seconded. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

**FIRE: Chief Erisman:**

- Chief Erisman stated they were notified of receiving \$13,000 BWC grant to purchase a convey tool, electric spreader and cutter all in one tool.
- Runs have been way up 700 – 225 to New Lebanon, 100 to Germantown, 50 to Jefferson.
- Need to evaluate EMT salary of \$14/hour. Germantown pays \$18-20, New Lebanon \$20-21.
- Mrs. Kozarec explained that our new trustee, Mr. Jim Erisman, has a “conflict of interest” with the Farmersville Fire Department since the fire Chief is his brother. This is only to inform the reason he will not be able to discuss or vote on Fire discussions; it has nothing to do with him not being supportive of the Fire Department.

**POLICE: Chief Bruner:**

- In December, Officers were dispatched to 87 calls for service and took 49 reports. We took:
  - 7 motor vehicle crashes
  - 29 traffic stops were made
  - 10 citations given
  - 26 verbal warnings
  - 1 arrest

- 2025 Year End Stats: Officers responded to 1,052 calls for service, we took 594 reports, had 47 motor vehicle crashes, initiated 368 traffic stops, 126 citations were given and 284 warnings. Officers made 14 arrests and check on vacant residences around Township 1,126 times.
- Trustee Moyer and Chief Bruner along with Farmersville Village Administrator, Derek Shell, met with the Montgomery County Engineer and Commissioner McDonald this morning regarding lowering the speed limits at all entry points into the Village. They advised us that there will further traffic studies in the Spring.
- Preble County Line Rd. bridge is open to single lane traffic and seems to operating well.
- Chief Bruner then brought up the sick leave cap of 1,440 hours. He explained that back in October he was notified by Fiscal Officer Lisa Kozarec that Officer Steffano had met the maximum in allowable sick leave. He emailed her asking when this was decided. He stated he received an email response from her stating it was in the policy that she had from 2016 and that Steve Burnett had also reached the cap. He then said back in November he requested more specific information from the trustees on when this policy was put into place and when and how employees were notified, he still has not received this information. Chief Bruner is requesting a change in this policy with the hope that the cap will be removed. In addition, he believes an updated policy is needed. After much discussion back and forth, the trustees decided to table the subject and look into this subject deeper for both sick leave and new policy handbook.

**ROAD: Mr. Pohl (absent)**

- December snow dates: 12, 13, 14 and 31.
- December 15 plowed the parking lot at the park and the bike path.
- Regraded the gravel roads on Lower Gratis and Anthony Rd.
- There was a tree down on Mile Road on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

**PARK: Mrs. Hamaker**

Recycling Center camera grant – we are waiting on an updated quote from Homeland Security so that this job can be started.

- Need to have the 2026 Contract with Mudcats signed.
- Mr. Hodson and Mr. Lamb will be speaking with Germantown and Devin Stoutenborough regarding collaboration between the Germantown Pool and our Pool for employees and management for this pool season - Mrs. Hamaker stated she has received one pool application for employment for 2026.

**ZONING, REFUSE, SENIOR CENTER: Mrs. Hamaker**

**ZONING** Going well, sending out letters, as needed.

**REFUSE:** Everything is going well.

**SENIOR CENTER:** All is going well.

**FISCAL OFFICER: Elizabeth (Lisa) Kozarec**

- Trustees had no questions regarding the fiscal reports provided.
- \$150,000 was moved from Star Ohio into our checking account for 1<sup>st</sup> qtr. expenses.

**RESOLUTIONS TO APPROVE:**

**Resolution: 2026-01:** Appoint Elizabeth Kozarec as Prevailing Wage Coordinator. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Hodson and Mr. Erisman seconded. Motion Passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

**Resolution 2026-02:** Trustee’s Salaries. Motion approve Trustee Salaries for 2026 was made by Mr. Hodson and Mr. Erisman seconded. Motion Passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

**Resolution 2026-03:** Fiscal Officer’s Salary. Motion to approve the Fiscal Officer’s salary for 2024 was made by Mr. Hodson and seconded by Mr. Moyer. Motion passed.

VOTE:	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Erisman	X			
Mr. Moyer	X			
Mr. Hodson	X			

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

**Mr. Moyer:** Mr. Moyer explained that each trustee usually takes a department to work with Mr. Moyer takes the Police, Mr. Erisman takes the Road and Mr. Hodson takes Refuse and Park.

**Mr. Hodson:** None

**Mr. Erisman:** None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting was made by Mr. Hodson and seconded by Mr. Erisman meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Signed by:

Attested by:

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Michael Moyer, President

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Elizabeth Kozarec, Fiscal Officer