

Minutes of Regular Meeting January 21, 2026

5:05 p.m. Call to order by Mr. Schaller

Roll Call: Mr. Moore, Mr. Schaller, Mr. Mack, Mr. Eckel, Ms. Welch

Mr. Schaller – Motion to enter Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, and compensation of a public employee or official. Mr. Moore for approval. Mr. Mack. All yes. Motion approved.

6:00 p.m.: Mr. Schaller – Re-enter regular meeting. Mr. Mack moved for approval. Mr. Moore seconded. All yes. Motion approved.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Schaller asked about any changes or additions to the agenda:

Mr. Eckel: table Resolution 2026-006 until next meeting 02/18/2026

Ms. Welch: add Resolution 2026-008 to amend 2025 police budget

Mr. Mack moved for approval. Mr. Moore seconded. All yes. Motion approved.

Approval of meeting minutes:

January 7, 2026

Mr. Mack moved for approval. Mr. Moore seconded. All yes. Motion approved.

Special Presentation:

Maintenance:

Having a pretty good winter so far. It looks like we will be working this weekend.

Rossford purchased a new roller, and I talked to their road supervisor, Darrell Igo, and he ended up talking to Allison Murray and Mayor Neil MacKinnon, and they gave us their old one. It's a Bomag roller. It's a BW 120. It's an older one, but as much as we use it, I think it'll work out pretty good. So, I'd like to thank all three of them for giving that to us and want to make sure you guys are okay with them doing so. Mr. Eckel has received calls letting him know the good job maintenance has done on the roads.

Fire/EMS:

Presented the MVA billing for 2025.

Resolution 2026-005: Permission to sell Engine 76. We've got a 2008 American La France with over 94,000 miles on it and 7,000 hours on it. If you agree, pass the resolution, we'd go ahead and put that on GovDeals and see what we can get out of it. **Mr. Mack moved for approval. Mr. Moore seconded. All yes. Motion approved.**

Police:

Passed out an updated traffic breakdown of White Road, where we have the sign placed. What it looks like to me, and I've talked to Rich, he's in agreement. The signs doing its job. Anyone speeding before are slowing down.

Recreation & Recycling:

Going to get with Jon and discuss park grants.

Want to thank Phil with Cardinal Aggregate for the donation to the food bank.

Zoning:

The Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals met for the first time this year. Bill Irwin resigned from the BZA; I will be working with the alternates to see if one would be willing to serve and bring that to you.

Administrator:

Resolution 2026-006 tabled until we get a number.

Motion to approve the mileage certification for Perrysburg Township. This will go to ODOT. We have 79.426 miles of roadway in the Township. **Mr. Mack moved for approval. Mr. Moore seconded. All yes. Motion approved.**

Fiscal Officer:

Resolution 2026-007: Advance \$20000.00 from the general fund to the lighting special assessment fund.

Mr. Moore moved for approval. Mr. Mack seconded. All yes. Motion approved.

Resolution 2026-008: Amend the final 2025 budget for the police fund and it is to increase tax revenue by \$50000.35 and to increase the expenditures of wages by \$50000.31. **Mr. Mack moved for approval.**

Mr. Moore seconded. All yes. Motion approved.

Trustees:

Mr. Mack:

Read a letter from IBEW Local 8 reference how Perrysburg Township should write zoning language to accommodate data centers if one is proposed.

Read a letter from Kathleen Clayton to reference the township to conduct a comprehensive independent review of the proposed data center developments before approving their placement in Perrysburg Township.

Read a letter from Cyndi Lane reference Township Website.

Cemetery board appointment. I will continue my role on both the New Belleville Ridge and Fort Meigs Cemetery Board as Jeffrey Moore is not quite ready to join the board at this time.

Public Comments:

Sandra Snyder: 25250 Ault Road.

This is going to be in regard to data centers. And I want to start out by saying that I am not opposed to farmers selling their land to make some good money off of a good sale. For decades, farmers have worked tirelessly and got next to nothing in return, and I don't blame any of them for wanting to choose to sell, to make a profit on their land. I've kind of been accused of going that route that I don't appreciate farmers, and I couldn't be farther from the truth. I have lived on a farm almost my entire life. So that's not the issue. But what is so troubling to me is that some of these transactions between the corporations and the landowners no longer just affect a seller and a buyer. And in the case of data centers, the negative consequences left for the surrounding communities are enormous. And that is where I see a pause in pursuing these kinds of deals are necessary. For those of you who have not attended the last two months of trustee meetings starting December 3rd, you can access the audio meeting minutes on the Perrysburg Township website under Township Resources and listen to those. That is, unless they've changed their name. I am not going to repeat what was said about all of those concerns that residents, including myself, have brought to the township concerning a potential data center. At the last meeting of January 7th, I formally requested any public records that the township might have regarding potential development in the immediate area, specifically the Sherman farm that sold in December and the Kazmaier farm that has been for sale. I want to thank you, Jon, for providing the requested records. In the records I received, there's a little bit of information regarding the potential use of Sherman Farm. So far, there's been a rezoning request of about 5 acres of frontage along Fremont Pike from agricultural to commercial. However, I do want to share a letter that the trustees received last month. This is from Barkan and Robon Limited, Attorneys at Law in Maumee, Ohio. It is dated December 11, 2025. It's addressed to Mr. Mack,

Mr. Britten, Mr. Schaller, and Gretchen. And the subject is data centers, Kazmaier property. Dear trustees, I read in the newspaper with interest that a lot of local communities are passing resolutions prohibiting data centers. We want to inform you that Michael Kazmaier and Mitchell Kazmaier as trustees have entered into a contract to sell over 300 acres of property that has been zoned for industrial use along Route 20 and Lime City Road to a developer from New Albany, Ohio. I believe one of the proposed uses is a data center for the Kazmaier property. Therefore, we certainly do not want to have the trustees interfere with the purchase contract by passing some type of resolution that would prohibit a data center from being developed in Perrysburg Township. The purpose of this letter is simply to inform you of the purchase agreement and the possible use of the property in the future. And it's signed by Marvin Robon, one of the partners in the law firm. Thank you for your time. Thank you.

Chris Coultrip, 26786 Thompson Road.

I was here last week. I don't know if you guys have decided to investigate these data centers in more depth. I got the impression last time that a lot of you were unaware of some of the consequences that have come up with them. I've done a lot of reading. New Albany was one of the areas that two multi-millionaire billionaires bought, and they basically bought all the houses out, and some of these were really expensive houses, and they just trashed it. If you want to go online, you can see some of that. Memphis has a data center that's been put in. The EPA is not, according to what I've been reading, has not enforced the rules. They ran out of power. They put some kind of carbon-based furnaces in there or coolers in there, and the respiratory systems of many people have been affected. The EPA, according to people who have lived there has not responded to the complaints. They have proven that they are not in compliance with EPA standards, but for some reason, EPA has not been enforcing that. I talked with three different people in the EPA in Ohio, trying to find out what's going on with trying to lower the-- or change the discharge rates for the data centers. Apparently, they received a large number of complaints and they are investigating those complaints and they've held off making a decision as far as that goes. And just recently I see where the electric company is trying to make it, so they don't have to get shortages done, take care of shortages or outages as quickly as they did. I think it was Gibsonburg and Swanton put in requests that they don't lower those standards because they've had issues with outages. They're saying this has to do with climate change. I believe that it's probably more in line with data systems because in some of these area data systems are sucking the power out and causing outages in other communities. I don't know if you've done any research or if you've done anything, but I really would like to see some kind of commitment on your part to investigate this and pursue some kind of regulations regarding data centers. I don't know what you can do. I was hoping to be at Middleton Township and they have brought some kind of a moratorium to the trustees to see if they would agree to a moratorium to further explore these things. Make sure that we don't run into some of the problems that some of these communities have had. That's it.

Mr. Schaller: As of this morning, Chris, 8 o'clock this morning, we were invited to a meeting. These two attended, John and Kelly, I was not able to make it, in Toledo with the Area Contractors Association, as well as the RGP, which is the Regional Growth Partnership. To me, the topic was myths and misconceptions about data centers. So, they're explaining a little bit. The township, I guess, didn't, but last week, Friday, we had correspondence from a guy from Meta that they were going to try to get Davis Bessie up online. A little, or, I don't know, to make it 100% or something.

Ms. Coultrip: They're looking at mini nuclear facilities.

Mr. Schaller: The mini nuclear facilities weren't really talked about where he was talking about Davis Bessie in this conversation. And that would be in case there was a power outage or something. They would have another source of power besides the power that they're building down there. And so, it didn't affect people from the area, residents and that kind of stuff. And I see the governor, Mike DeWine, is on a

committee and working with the committee to try to keep regulation on prices, so it does not affect the consumers and that kind of stuff when it comes to electricity. And that goes as far as Washington, D.C., I believe.

Ms. Coultrip: I saw where DeWine has got, and he wants to have some more investigation into things with the data centers, because there are a lot of myths that are going around. I think the letter that was sent regarding things to be watching for with these data centers, I think those types of things should be incorporated into the zoning. I would agree with a lot of what she said there. What happens after 15, 20 years when this, and I brought this up last week, when the facility isn't going to be producing any longer. Who's going to take care of that building? What's that land going to be worth? Who else is going to be able to go into it? We don't know what kind of chemicals or what kind of semiconductors or what's in these semiconductors. We don't know anything about what's in there, what they're using. We don't know what's going into it. When I talk with the EPA, they're saying there's closed water systems, but they don't know if they're pulling water, you have evaporation. So if you've got nitrates or lead or things in that water, and you have water evaporating, and you've got that coming out at some point. And so they're looking at discharging. My guess is you're going to have more nitrates or more chemicals. We don't know what they're putting in, but they do use chemicals. Glycol is so expensive, that's why they're using water. But sometimes they use glycol.

Mr. Moore: They have to use it for closed-loop systems, the glycol.

Ms. Coultrip: Well, I was told they're using more water to avoid the glycol.

Mr. Moore: Well, it depends on if you have an open or closed-loop system, if you use glycol.

Ms. Coultrip: But at some point they're discharging water.

Mr. Moore: Glycol is anti-freeze, is it? I mean, ethylene glycol. I've taken care of glycol poisoning as well, too.

Ms. Coultrip: That's fatal.

Mr. Moore: Well, I mean, it can be fatal. It's not good, but I mean, it's not universally fatal, no.

Ms. Coultrip: But what's being discharged? I mean, We don't know what's being discharged.

Mr. Moore: Well, there was concerns about nitrate poisoning at a native center in Oregon that I read about as well. And I think that was an open loop system, just discharging tons and tons of water. The concerns that it pushed a lot of the pesticides deeper into the waterbed as well. But again, that's what the EPA and environment; they need to be working with this type of stuff to make sure that these regulations are in place. I'm not, I absolutely share all of your concerns. I'm just trying to let you know that I have read about this as well too extensively. At the state level, they are trying to do a bipartisan commission to look into this as well. I read recently. So hopefully they get off their butts and really start diving into this because you guys know where I stand on this.

Ms. Coultrip: But at the same time, you've got someone that's actively looking at doing this, and my guess is within the next year; you're going to have feet on the ground.

Mr. Moore: Yeah, but it's yes and no, but I mean, there, I don't think these places they all approach, and they want they want their tax abatements and their other stuff as well too, so I don't think it's just like.

Ms. Coultrip: They can afford the money that they're paying for these properties; they don't need tax abatements.

Mr. Moore: I hear you. No, I agree. I'm not saying that's I just I'm just saying that I don't think construction starts tomorrow.

Ms. Coultrip: I didn't say tomorrow, I said within the next year.

Mr. Moore: Okay, all right, fair enough. Even then, I don't know. But yes, I mean, hopefully we get more data on this type of stuff. I did attend a meeting today about, the economic benefits and that type of stuff. I'm going to have to e-mail them because there was a lot of words that were said and I need actual objective data to support what was shown to us, not just trust me. That's my source of trust me. So I just need to do more reading into that.

Ms. Coultrip: Okay, I just want to make sure people are looking into it before we get feet on the ground where it's too late to do anything.

Rich Jarosz, 28806 White Road.

I'm just want to back the Chief up here that the digital sign on White Road is working. And it has slowed people down. And right there at Carolina, where dead ends into White, it's a school bus pickup and drop off. And it has corrected that point there where people are slowing down, and kids are standing at the corner, standing on their phones, not paying attention, waiting on the bus. So, I'm just to support that sign to see if the township, if we could get a grant or something for one. That it is working, and you can see it. So, thank you for allowing that to happen. Thank Rossford for allowing us to use it and see where we go.

Cyndi Lane, 29408 Belmont Lake.

Last week I went to the township office and discussed the calendar in the website, the time changes for the quarterly meetings. The calendar was updated, but not the portion in the body of the website, still says four o'clock for all meetings. I sent an e-mail to the admin to fix that, but she told me it must not have gotten. It must have gotten lost in her spam. So, just as a reminder, it still says all meetings are at four o'clock. It doesn't say anything about a six o'clock meeting anyway. And maybe you guys have some spam, too, from people. Just an idea. You might want to check your spam. I'm sure. And then after the letter that Sandy had read to us, it does look like there's data centers trying to get in here and on Kazmaier's property. So, township residents have been sharing with you our concerns and trying to educate you on the impacts of data centers to our community since December 3rd. That's three regular meetings. Now that we know a data center will be coming in via the December 11th letter submitted to the trustees, the time is now for action before the property is annexed to Rossford. The topics of JEDDs, zoning changes, and moratoriums have been requested by many people. We still don't want the data centers, but we've got to do something here. We have put our trust in our trustees to do the right thing for our residents and our community. I am requesting a JEDD be created before the next regular township trustee meeting on February 18th. Introduction and purpose. Requesting Perrysburg Township to form a JEDD with the City of Rossford by February 18th. The goal is to create jobs improve economic welfare and develop a specific area. And if the jobs are only a short time, not long-term jobs. If we're stuck with the data center, we need to get the revenue from it. Proposed area description. The properties within the area of Lime City Road, Thompson Road, Roachton Road, Route 20, all in between there. Mutual benefits and contributions for the township, increased revenue, income, property taxes, ability to extend services, utilities, framework, and cooperation, development of property. For municipality, access to township territory for development, shared resources, preventing annexation disputes. Contribution. Each party can share with expenses we incur in the development and operation. I have a letter here. If you are interested in getting a JEDD and not losing out on any kind of taxes because of an annexation, I'm requesting you to sign your name and your address. We will be collecting these at the door. If you'd like one, Janet has some that she's going to pass around.

Gary Britten, 10700 Roachton Road.

I want to thank Cyndi for actually bringing up the annexation issue, which the trustees have been mum. These residents have been here; this is the fourth meeting, started talking about moratoriums. Now, I really haven't heard that tonight, because I think they're starting to understand the threat of the annexation. They need to hear that from you guys. If you would put a moratorium on this property of Kazmaier's, they would go to the city of Rossford tomorrow, man. That's what you need to tell these people so they understand why you're sitting in your seats keeping your mouth shut. That does no good. They haven't heard you say anything in these meetings. You need to tell them that the threat of annexation is real. Mike Kazmaier stood in my house before we changed the zoning to industrial when I was a sitting trustee. He told me when he walked out the door that if we didn't pass that zoning, he would go to Rossford the next day and annex all that. That would have happened then. No matter what happens, if they put a data center in there, Perrysburg Township's gonna have the headaches. What you guys need to decide is whether we have the headaches and a whole bunch of revenue because it JEDDs because our citizens are pushing it, our employees have pushed it. Or you wanted to have all the headaches and 0 revenue because they annexed it to the City of Rossford. But you need to be truthful with these people and let them know what the deal is. Thank you.

Mr. Schaller: All right, does anybody have anything else?

Mr. Moore: I mean, I think it's really important. We can't, that is a nightmare scenario, right? Is that we pass a moratorium and then we just get the data center and then we get absolutely no money from it. So, we can't pass a moratorium unless Rossford passes the same thing. Yes, back up. Use the mic. Bob's gone, but he would yell at you if you were. He was still here.

Ms. Coultrip: I was at the Rossford Council meeting, and I brought up annexation to them. I told him I had talked to them that I think that it's in the best interest of everyone to work together on this instead of working against each other. Mayor MacKinnon said they have no interest in a data center. I don't believe Mayor MacKinnon tells the truth all the time. I know that. I know that. But I brought it up to them. I've talked to you guys about it. I know that if we get the moratorium, that's probably going to go over to Rossford. And I said that last week. But I agree with Gary. You guys have been mum on it. You've not told us anything. You're sitting there and you're like, okay. We want to see some action. We want to know where you're going with this. You're not giving us any indication of what's happening. And we're sitting here thinking, you know, I look at Phil Dobson, the prosecutor, Wood County prosecutor, made big money on his house. He's living over in the Hamlet right now. They're offering some of these people big money. I'll be honest, someone offers me three times the cost of my house, I'm going to be out of here. But right now, if they offer me pennies on the dollar, because everyone else has gone in there, and they've paid money for Sherman, they've paid money for Lime City Road, then those of us that are on Thompson, of course, the Port Authority guy, Rex Huffman, lives down there. I'm curious to see what he gets for his property. I mean, we know that they want the property. We know they want to come in here. We want to, if they're going to come in here, we want some safeguards for our residents. We want to know that we're going to have the EPA on our back and they're going to adhere to the pollution guides or the rules. We want to know that they're going to do this right. We want to know that they're not going to poison our water, poison our air. But you guys are just sitting there doing nothing. And we think you knew about this a long time ago. That's my belief. We think that. I don't know that for a fact.

Mr. Schaller: See, and you can't say, we can't say, we think this is going to happen. Because then people are going to come back to us and go, well, you said this or you said that. And so we need to get facts. And you can't get facts as quick as what you're talking. The EPA and stuff, we can't tell them what to do or what they need to do.

Ms. Coultrip: Well, as it comes, you've known this is, you've known for a while that this was coming. Or the possibility, I think. The letter that Sandy read.

Mr. Schaller: Have we done that bad of a job with other buildings like Amazon or First Solar? Well then, if you haven't had a problem with those, why would all of a sudden this be?

Ms. Coultrip: Because all of a sudden, it's directly in my backyard. I was here for the meetings with Mr. Storage. That's in my backyard. I'm not happy with it, but I'm not going to make a big issue. I don't think he's going to poison the land. I don't think it's probably one of the better places. I'd rather have Mr. Storage in my backyard than a data center.

Ms. Schaller: Well, we've got to take it one step at a time, really. There's been other acquisitions made on Kazmaier property, and it's never jelled.

Mr. Mack: So, the reality is a project of that magnitude. If they were indeed ready to do something, their first step would be to appear at our planning and zoning office with a proposed site plan. And the moment that arrives in Kelly's e-mail or her desk, it becomes a public record.

Ms. Coultrip: Are they going to do that before or after they buy this?

Mr. Mack: I don't know their acquisition strategy, if they have one, or if they're in fact even interested.

Ms. Coultrip: How did they do it in Middleton Township? Because everyone I've talked to, the Wood County Commissioners, the people out in Bowling Green, all of them say they had no idea that this was coming. Yet LaHote said something in one of what he welcomed met up to come in at some point right around the time they broke ground and gave them a 15-year tax abatement, which I don't; these guys have money. They should be paying taxes. Why should the residents pay all the taxes? And I have no problem. The police department just had two levies because they needed money. And believe me, I'm all for the police department. And I pay for them. But Meta or Amazon or some of these other places could have helped pay for them, too. I mean, and it's not just you; it's Rossford, too. They give tax abatements to these people. And the residents are ending up with the load. These other places don't.

Mr. Moore: Chris, I agree. But you have to be careful with the wording of the moratorium. Let me finish my thought. Because you just said Meta has \$1,000,000.00, so if we don't have the right wording in the moratorium, they sue us. We don't have any money to pay for a lawyer to defend ourselves right now. So Melissa Petri, who is a Middleton Township trustee, she's done great work on this type of stuff. She's a brilliant resource for this type of stuff. She went to Paul Dobson and I have heard, and I can't confirm this, that their office is drawing up some language that you could use if that was something that the township would be interested in for the moratorium. So, I'm kind of waiting to see what that would look like.

Ms. Coultrip: That was brought to Middleton Township tonight or was supposed to be brought to them tonight.

Mr. Moore: Brilliant. Their meeting, I think, is 1/2 an hour after ours as well, too. So let's see what that wording is, and is that something that we could apply to? Would it also have to apply to Rossford? at the same time, or before us as well, too, because I agree.

Ms. Coultrip: I have a committee of the whole meeting to discuss some kind of moratorium.

Mr. Moore: So, it sounds like we're like an hour too early or a day too early to really have the answers that you want, though, right?

Ms. Coultrip: You asked me what my greatest shortcoming is I'm not patient.

Mr. Moore: Me neither. I'm incredibly, you know, I'm incredibly impatient. I'm with you on that perspective. But we got to look at that. And I think we got to address the JEDD idea. I think the JEDD is a brilliant idea, to be honest with you. They should have JEDD in the Middleton Township area. There are 2,000

employees building 4 data centers right there. Let's say they average \$50,000. They're union guys, right? They're probably making better than that, to be honest with you. Two and a half percent JEDD with Rossford right there would have yielded two and a half million a year, 1.25 to each place. That is good money that we could put towards our services right here with fire, police, and EMS and that type of stuff. I think we have a lot of really good properties here in township that we need to work on collecting more tax income because, you know, Gretchen down there can attest; we've seen the general fund just disappear. disappear from us. And we got to do something to stop the bleeding. So, I guess that's another topic for you guys don't want to probably listen to me preach at 7:06, especially since I've been on the job for three weeks. I'll let these guys preach.

Mr. Moore entertained the motion to adjourn. Mr. Mack moved for approval. Mr. Schaller. All yes. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 19:06

Gretchen Welch – Fiscal Officer

Joseph Schaller -Chairman