



**Hanover Township Board of Trustees
May 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: Board President Jeff Buddo Board called the regular Board meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Mr. Buddo led the opening ceremonies and gave the opening invocation.

Roll Call: Mr. Sullivan, Fiscal Officer, took a roll call with Messer's Miller, Johnson and Buddo present. Other officials present: Road Superintendent Scot Gardner, Deputy Steve Tanner, Fire Chief Phil Clark and Bruce E. Henry, Township Administrator

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the April 16, 2025 regular meeting minutes as well as Special Board Meeting Minutes of April 23/May 1, 2025 and approve warrants for release/distribution as well as approval of all administration reports. Upon roll call Mr. Miller, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Buddo voted yes to approve all.

Guest Presentation: There were no guest presentations.

Citizen Participation: No one wished to address the Board.

Administration Reports

Law Enforcement:

Butler County Sheriff's Office

District #18

Hanover Township Contract Cars

Monthly Report for April 2025

<u>Activity Area</u>	<u>Month Totals*</u>	<u>YTD</u>
• Dispatched Calls:73		415
• Felony Reports: 03		07
• Misdemeanor Reports: 03		21
• Non-Injury Crash: 01		15
• Injury Crash: 01		11
Total Reports: 07.....		53

- Assists/Back Up: 20 79
- Felony Arrests: 00 01
- Misdemeanor Arrests: 00 03
- OMVI Arrests: 00 00

Total Arrests: 0004

- Traffic Stops: 04 33
- Moving Citations: 01 18
- Warning Citations: 03 14
- Civil Papers Served: 1 01
- Business Alarms: 2 08
- Residential Alarms: 03 21
- Special Details: 08 37
- COPS Times: 5,200 (*Min.*) 20,800 Min.
- Vacation Checks: 08 73

Reporting for Deputy Tanner and Deputy Mayer.
Prepared by BEH.

Note: Vacation and Training details resulted in lower stats.

Hanover Township Fire Department
Monthly Report for April 2025- Phil Clark Fire Chief

Run and detail activity for the Fire and EMS operations are reflected in the following numbers:

	<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>
• Emergency Medical Operations/Squad Runs:	63	216
• Motor Vehicle Accidents:	10	38
• Fire Runs:	10	51
• Fire Inspections:	00	00
• Knox Box Details	00	00
• Other	00	00
• Total for the month:	83 Runs/Operations (Fire/EMS Runs)	

Total Year 2025: 308 Runs/Operations

(April 2024: 66 Runs/Operations)

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Total for 2024	903	
Total for 2023	867	
Total for 2022	1010	5 year average (2020-2024)
Total for 2021	1075	945 Runs/Operations
Total for 2020	870	
Total for 2019	879	
Total for 2018	777	
Total for 2017	689	
Total for 2016	705	
Total for 2015	733	
Total for 2014	809	5 year average (2017-2021): 858
Total for 2013	750	Run Increase Since 2007: 358
Total for 2012	693	
Total for 2011	719	
Total for 2010	748	
Total for 2009	676	
Total for 2008:	669	
Total for 2007	717	

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS (May 21, 2025)

Millville Cemetery Operations Report April 1 through April 30, 2025

2 Graves sold to Township residents (@ \$1,400)-----	2,800.00
3 Full Interments-----	4,200.00
0 Baby interments-----	0.00
1 Cremations-----	1,100.00
Foundation and Marker installation fees-----	3,336.00
Grave Transfer-----	0.00
Donations-----	0.00

Total: ----- \$11,436.00

Other Cemetery activities:

1. fixed graves
2. cleaned office and garage
3. pick up and removed flowers from stones
4. cut grass and weed eat

5. trimmed bushes out front

**Road, Streets and Park
(Scot Gardner)**

1. Repaired potholes.
2. Called in on April 3 for a tree down.
3. Did a road check after April 3 storm.
4. Cleaned leaves out of curb on Sir Martin.
5. Removed a large tree limb from the playground.
6. Plowed off gravel washed into the roadway on Stahlheber, Krucker, and Brunner.
7. Got equipment ready for GovDeals.
8. Went around and cleaned off catch basins before a big storm.
9. Replaced flags shredded by wind storm.
10. Cut up trees that fell during storm.
11. Cut up a tree that fell in the phone lines on Cochran.
12. Pushed over a tree that was leaning out close to the road on Morman Road.
13. Put in new LED lights at the Community Center porch.
14. Took the backhoe and patted down ruts left by a big truck on Hussey Road.
15. Called in two street light outages.
16. Reinstalled foam pipe covers on the parking lot cables.
17. Bent aluminum to go around new garage door and put up seals.
18. Replaced a School Bust Stop Ahead post on Stahlheber and a Stop Ahead post bent by high wind.
19. Worked on more potholes.
20. Picked up downed tree limbs in the Millville Reily Cemetery.
21. Pushed over a dead tree that fell into phone lines.
22. Cut up two trees and hauled off on both Salmans.
23. Picked up 10 sofa cushions on Hogue Road.
24. Replaced mailbox at the Firehouse.
25. Worked on carpenter bees in the Gazebo.
26. Performed monthly truck, park, and stormwater inspections.



Administrator **April** Summary Report
(May 2025)

- **Park Restroom Project:** Continued follow up with the contractor and Luminant Architects regarding items delayed for completion due to supply chain issues and Duke Energy requirement to set final meter.

- **Park Committee:** Prepared mailing regarding 2025 events and met with the Park Committee planning upcoming events.
- **Nuisances and Zoning Issues:** Worked with the County Prosecutor's Office to follow up on possible zoning litigation and providing information to that office as well as to Butler County Zoning. Attended a Zoning Appeals Hearing regarding Hanover Reserve and provided information.
- **Fiscal Operations- Ongoing:** Continued monthly analysis of the financial condition of the Township and working in planning of projects identified by the Board for implementation.
Obtained data from the Fiscal Officer and prepared Township funds analysis for the monthly Board meeting. Prepared Trustee packets and reports. Prepared economic data, cost projections for operations and potential fire levy amounts.
- **Road Department Dump Truck:** Worked on final financing plan for executing a lease purchase agreement. Several questions remain to be resolved.
- **Personnel:** Followed up on personnel issues presented or reviewed related documents.
- **Hanover Reserve:** Met with Melanie Barnes regarding for the sponsoring of the May 8th Butler County Township Association meeting at Hanover Reserve.
- **Gov Deals Phase III.** Continued work with Rebekka Hobbs, Scot, and Administration to finish out listing of items for sale.
- **Website:** Worked on updating portions of the Hanover Township Website..
- **Open Burning: Ongoing-** Despite the change in weather, open burning continues to be a problem in some areas. The Administration fielded a number of phone calls related to complaints and questions regarding the law. Information is being distributed to the public. Information was also published in the recent newsletter.
- **Bureau of Workers Compensation:** Presented documentation in April that the Township may have been over charged non premiums due to change initiated from the agency. After discussion and review of the documentation, BWC sent a check for \$24,000.00 to the Township and corrected our premium classification.
- **Newsletter:** Final proof of the newsletter was finished and the document was mailed to all Hanover Township addresses.
- **Nuisances and General Complaints:** Fielded several calls and visited various properties to ascertain if the property condition violated debris, Junk Vehicle or dilapidated structure statutes under Township law.

- **Catch Basin Repairs: No Progress.** Still working on how to bid out the work needed for the failing catch basins. Road crew has been making some repairs. Scheduling a partial list for the 2025 construction season. Will be meeting with the County Engineer's Office to discuss.

Personnel Actions and Other Items of Note

March - April 2025:

Fire Department

Three candidates are in the review/background process as presented in prior reports.

Cemetery- Nothing new.

Road Department- Nothing New.

4) Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Reports by fund for this month of 2025 are attached to this report. See charts of expenditures and revenues.

Fiscal Year 2020

Jan- Cash Balance: \$1,665,256.35
 Feb- Cash Balance: \$1,672,757.34
 Mar- Cash Balance: \$2,308,393.51
 Apr- Cash Balance: \$2,230,590.13
 May- Cash Balance: \$2,192,706.20
 June- Cash Balance: \$2,290,353.31
 July- Cash Balance: \$2,185,119.72
 Aug- Cash Balance: \$2,281,130.53
 Sept- Cash Balance: \$2,578,948.20
 Oct- Cash Balance: \$2,32,780.90 (Excludes CARES Funding; If included balance is \$2,859,129.29)
 Nov- Cash Balance: \$2,446,861.80 (Excludes CARES Funding; If included balance is \$2,728,043.24)
 Dec- Cash Balance: \$2,436,152.18 (Includes \$35,374.23 CARES Revenue)

Fiscal Year 2021

Jan- Cash Balance: \$2,327,500.47
 Feb- Cash Balance: \$2,555,744.03
 Mar- Cash Balance: \$2,326,232.58
 Apr- Cash Balance: \$2,936,429.83
 May- Cash Balance: \$2,865,179.70
 June- Cash Balance: \$2,814,391.86
 July- Cash Balance: \$3,162,801.28
 Aug- Cash Balance: \$3,018,684.99
 Sept- Cash Balance: \$3,529,740.57

Fiscal Year 2022

Jan- Cash Balance: \$3,106,359.45
 Feb- Cash Balance: \$3,061,133.65
 Mar- Cash Balance: \$3,780,417.05
 Apr- Cash Balance: \$3,703,934.16
 May- Cash Balance: \$3,643,272.43
 June- Cash Balance: \$3,498,499.98
 July- Cash Balance: \$3,866,009.07
 Aug- Cash Balance: \$3,903,052.77
 Sept- Cash Balance: \$4,264,684.95

Oct- Cash Balance: \$3,487,179.01
Nov- Cash Balance: \$3,355,784.52
Dec- Cash Balance: \$3,269,634.31

Oct- Cash Balance: \$4,201,970.71
Nov- Cash Balance: \$4,092,018.29
Dec- Cash Balance: \$4,039,299.87

Fiscal Year 2023

January Cash Balance: \$3,559,160.92
February Cash Balance: \$3,475,575.97
March Cash Balance: \$3,496,580.72
April Cash Balance: \$4,121,487.83
May Cash Balance: \$3,861,490.93
June Cash Balance: \$3,739,555.00
July Cash Balance: \$3,675,692.32
August Cash Balance: \$3,496,048.90
September Cash Balance: \$4,067,959.69
October Cash Balance: \$3,996,729.39
November Cash Balance: \$3,722,684.18
December Cash Balance: 3,673,455.14

Fiscal Year 2024

Jan- Cash Balance: \$3,483,832.60
Feb- Cash Balance: \$3,459,266.38
Mar- Cash Balance: \$4,241,433.98
Apr- Cash Balance: \$4,075,635.16
May- Cash Balance: \$3,968,743.91
June- Cash Balance: \$3,838,123.51
July- Cash Balance: \$3,939,306.18
Aug - Cash Balance: \$4,836,347.62
Sept- Cash Balance \$4,3999,868.62
Oct- Cash Balance: \$4,390,868.62
Nov- Cash Balance: \$3,984,735.41
Dec- Cash Balance: \$3,799,408.75

Fiscal Year 2025

January Cash Balance: \$3,858,401.73
February Cash Balance: \$3,696,211.51
March Cash Balance: \$3,650,367.59
April Cash Balance: \$4,461,364.96

Of Note- Budget Information

- 1) Total Expenditures all funds for April 30:: \$226,900.04 / Revenue: \$1,111.317.10
- 2) Total General Fund cash on hand April 30: \$1,789,373.15 (40.11%) of Total funds
- 3) Total Fire/EMS Fund cash on hand April 30 : \$605,925.51 (13.58%) of Total funds

General Notes and Observations

January- March 2021: Fund balances and carry over as well as property valuation numbers will be analyzed the first quarter. The Township must operate on carry over balances until tax settlements are received in April 2021.

Also, the impact of COVID-19 on revenues and expenditures will be evaluated. Examining new COVID-19 Relief Bill for allocations to Townships.

June- July 2021: The Township should review what can be funded through the American Relief Act for Townships and develop a priority list of projects and costs. Need to schedule a work session in August and/or September to develop a project/program list.

August-September 2021: Must review and address rising costs of Fire/EMS operations and revenue that is not increasing at the same rate. Future consideration necessary to address level levy revenue.

October 2021: Analyzing American relief Fund Act regulations and forwarded Township projects for legal review under the Act. Once an opinion is rendered, a special Board meeting will need to be called for review.

November 2021: No word from legal counsel- American Relief Fund Act funds and their use. Administration is still running short. Road and Cemetery slowing getting back to full strength.

December 2021 through February 2022: Due to illness and furlough, the administration is still operating short-handed.

Township officials will review legal counsel opinions and updated Treasury regulations regarding the use of American Relief Act funding. Priority decisions on key projects and programs to be established by the Board of Trustees.

March/April: Reviewing comprehensive project listing of major projects need for the next 5-7 years. Prioritizing projects for ARF funding for the next two years.

June to September 2022: Finalize Township project priorities to be funded through ARF Act. Determine means for funding the Gene Avenue Project and begin planning for Community Center Parking lot.

October to November 2022: Need to finalize 2023 Road Program and use of county and local ARPA funds.

December 2022/April 2023: Once received from various sources, a review of projects and how they will be financed should be prioritized. Payment for the Gene Avenue Culvert Project will be due.

May/June 2023: Restroom project a priority and must work with architects to get the project started. Also examining budgets to address road projects and Fire Department issues.

July/August 2023: Finalizing work drawings on the Park Restroom and Road Department projects. Trustees to review overall finances and Fire Department future financing.

October/November 2023: Working on implementing Park Restroom Project, Community Center Parking Lot Construction Project and Road Department Improvements. Developing information for additional County ARPA funds allocation.

December 2023: Examining Impact of increased costs associated with all operations and possible strategies to address these issues.

January-February 2024: Evaluating Fund Balances and estimated 2024 Revenue and Expenditures to ascertain which needed projects can move ahead. Need a strategy session with the Board of Trustees.

March through May 2024: There is a need to hold a strategy session regarding future costs of Fire/EMS Operations as the Township looks to the future to keep operations effective in light of inflationary conditions. Also need to examine performance objectives for various operations. Need to examine methods to retain experienced quality personnel.

June through July 2024: Value Engineering associated with the Park Restroom needs to be completed and preparation of new design-build specs for bidding in July. Work with the County Land Bank to secure funds to help eliminate nuisances.

August through October 2024: Park restroom Project Construction. Examine operational costs and make decisions regarding future levies.

November 2024 through March 2025: Planning for large expenditures and future direction including consideration of Fire Tax Levy issues and major expenditures for the Road Department.

April through June 2025: Develop information for fire levy decision ballot issue. Need to examine equipment and building needs for the Road Department and Cemetery.

Old Business

Hanover Memorial Park Restroom Project

Work is continuing on all aspects of the Park Restroom Project. The electric meter is due to be installed later in May; then a final building and electrical permit inspection must take place. Luminant Architects prepared a summary report which was presented to the Board. There is a goal to finish by Memorial Day weekend.

Update : Zoning and Nuisance Issues May 21, 2025

The Township has provided updates to the County Prosecutor reference 428 Morman regarding zoning order and compliance. The Civil Lawsuit is moving forward to clean up the entire property.

The Township sent to the County Zoning Office complaints regarding two properties on either end of Stahlheber Road and Hamilton Richmond Road.

Nuisance letters and discussions are ongoing reference Millville Avenue location, 2130 Hamilton Richmond (separate from property from zoning issue), and 889 Shady Road. Following up on a complaint on Bevington Lane as well.

Road Closures Posted by the Butler County Engineer's Office:

As the County Engineer's Office performs work in areas of Hanover Township, the Fire Department, Road Department and Trustees will be sent copies of the notices regarding road closures.

Mr. Henry gave a brief explanation of resolutions and motions before the Board of Trustees to be voted on.

New Business:

Resolution No. 26-25

Recognizing Arnold (Arnie) E. Babb for his Outstanding Service, Performance and Dedication to the Hanover Township Fire Department Emergency Service Operations

Whereas, Hanover Township is blessed to have many individuals who provide outstanding service and professional commitment to serving residents of the Township; and

Whereas, Arnold E. Babb has served the Hanover Township Fire and Emergency Medical Service Operation since December 2008 in the capacity of Fire Fighter/ EMT-B; and

Whereas, Mr. Babb has made himself available for response at critical times throughout the years: and

Whereas, Mr. Babb has demonstrated exceptional dedication and performance in pursuing his responsibilities and he will be missed as he is retiring from service to the department; and

Be it resolved by the Board of Township Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio

Section I. That on behalf of the Hanover Township Fire Department and Township Administration Officials, expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Arnie Babb for his service to the Township.

Section II. That the Board of Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Township Administrator, Fire Department and staff will miss the outstanding dedication, professionalism and commitment to the Township. Further, the Board wishes Mr. Babb the best in his future endeavors.

The foregoing resolution was adopted in an open public meeting and is a reflection of the official action taken by the Board of Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio on the 16th day of April 2025.

Board of Trustees

Vote

Attest:

Jeff Buddo

Larry Miller

Douglas L. Johnson

Gregory L. Sullivan
Fiscal Officer/ Clerk

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 26-25 recognizing the contributions of Arnie Babb to the Fire Department which was seconded by Mr. Miller. After discussion, Mr. Sullivan called the roll with all three Trustees voting yes. A presentation with photos were made by the Board of Trustees.

Resolution of Necessity Fire Levy:

Resolution No: 27-25

Resolution of Necessity for Levying Tax Exceeding Ten-Mill Limitation for Purposes Set Forth in Section 5705.19 (I) of the Ohio Revised Code

Whereas, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of providing and maintaining fire protection and emergency medical services for the Hanover Township Fire District, which includes the unincorporated areas of Hanover Township Butler County Ohio; and

Whereas, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03 requires a resolution declaring the necessity of levying a tax outside the ten-mill limitation must be passed and certified to the County Auditor of Butler County in order to permit the Board of Township Trustees to consider the levy of such a tax and must request that the County Auditor certify to the Board of Township Trustees the

total current tax valuation of the Hanover Township Fire District and the dollar amount to be generated by the tax; and

Be it resolved by the Board of Township Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio, two thirds of all members elected thereto concurring,

Section I. That it is necessary to levy an additional tax of three and five-tenths (3.5) mills for each one dollar of taxable value upon the entire territory within the Hanover Township Fire District to constitute a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of the Hanover Township Fire District for all the purposes enumerated in Ohio Revised Code 5705.19 (I) specifically for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of permanent of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company or for the payment of related costs, as authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 5709.19(I) at a rate not exceeding three and five-tenths (3.5) mills for each one dollar of valuation for a period of 5 years; and

Section II. Be it further resolved that the levy be placed upon the tax lists of 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029, first due in calendar year 2026, if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon; and

Section III. Be it further resolved that the question of such tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of the entire territory within the Hanover Township Fire District at the election to be held thereon on November 4, 2025; and

Section IV. Be it further resolved that the Clerk/Fiscal Officer is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the County Auditor and Board of Elections of Butler County, Ohio.

Section V. Be it further resolved that the Board of Township Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio, hereby requests that the County Auditor certify to this Board of Township Trustees the total current tax valuation of the Hanover Township Fire District, Butler County, Ohio, the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the levy of 3.5 mills if approved by the electors; and the rate of the levy expressed in dollars for each one hundred thousand dollars of the County Auditor's appraised value.

Trustee Mr. _____ moved for the adoption of the foregoing resolution. Trustee Mr. _____ seconded the motion, and upon call of the roll, the vote resulted as follows:

Jeff Buddo _____
Larry Miller _____
Douglas L. Johnson _____

The foregoing resolution was adopted in an open public meeting and is a reflection of the official action taken by the Board of Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio on the 21st day of May 2025.

Attest:

Gregory L. Sullivan
Township Clerk/Fiscal Officer

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 27-25 as set forth above which was seconded by Mr. Miller. After discussion including an explanation as to the particular millage selected, a roll call vote was taken Mr. Sullivan with all three Trustees voting yes.

Dump Truck Financing/ Repeal Resolution No. 25-25::

Resolution No. 28-25

Authorizing the Financing for the Purchase of a New 2025 Single Axle Dump Truck with Snow Plow Attachments through the State of Ohio Purchase Program (HFYDA Freightliner Cincinnati Ohio) Through Daimler Truck Financial Services USA LLC

Whereas, Resolution No. 24-25 authorized the purchase of a 2025 Single Axle Dump Truck Western Star 47X with L9 Cummins Engine and snow plow attachments as reviewed with the Board to be purchased through FYDA Freightliner Cincinnati, Inc. for Western Star 47X Cummins Engine L9 dump truck with snow plow attachments for \$238,420.00 under a State of Ohio purchase agreement satisfying all Ohio bidding requirements (pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 124.04); and,

Whereas, the Fiscal Officer and Township Administrator have been exploring finance options for this purchase and have determined Daimler Truck Financial Services USA LLC can't be entered into upon advise of legal counsel concerning an indemnification clause despite attempted negotiations to reach a compromise on a method and rate for the aforementioned acquisition on a Lease-Purchase basis; and,

Whereas, After checking with two other municipal financing firms, Kansas State Bank Baystone Government Finance offers the most flexible schedule paying in arrears at 5.84% for five years with no indemnification clause,

Be it resolved by the Board of Township Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio

Section I. That approval is hereby granted to finance said acquisition and payment on a Lease Purchase agreement basis with Baystone Government Finance with terms of five years at 5.840%. (Total amount for lease purchase price of the unit is \$238,400.00)

Section III. That Resolution No. 25-25 is hereby repealed.

Section IV. That the Fiscal Officer and Township Administrator are authorized to execute all documents and commitments related hereto after a thorough review.

The foregoing resolution was adopted in an open public meeting and is a reflection of the official action taken by the Board of Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio on the 21st day of May 2025.

Board of Trustees

Vote

Attest:

Jeff Buddo

Larry Miller

Douglas L. Johnson

Gregory L. Sullivan
Fiscal Officer/ Clerk

A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve Resolution No.28-25 as outlined . After discussion, a roll call vote was taken by Mr. Sullivan with all three Trustees voting yes.

Motion/ Supplement to Resolution No. 25-25 reference Snow Plow Dump Truck purchase. Final financing documents have been received and reviewed by the Fiscal Officer and Township Administrator submitted by Daimler Truck Financial Services USA LLC for the purchase and delivery of a 2025 Western Star Plow Truck for \$238,420.00 at an interest rate of 5.361% payable over 5 years commencing with the first payment due April 18, 2026 and ending April 18, 2030 in accordance with Exhibit A-1 Installment Payment Schedule which also includes prepayment pricing if exercised by the Township and authorizing the Fiscal officer and Township Administrator to execute documents related hereto as set forth in Resolution No. 25-25. Motion made by: Mr. Miller, seconded by: Mr. Johnson. After further discussion, Mr. Sullivan called the roll with the vote being: all three Trustees voted yes.

Motion: Hanover Township, through the Road Superintendent has been reviewing culvert problems/issues with the Butler County Engineer's Office. Evaluations of culverts has shown there may be as many as 60 culverts needing replacement or reworking. Three have been selected by the Township to seek the assistance from BCEO. Scott Bressler submitted the following force account costs for three culverts:

For the Record:



Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio

**Proclamation Recognizing the Celebration of the Hanover Ladies
Industrial Band for 125 Years of Dedicated Service to the Community**

Whereas, Hanover Township is blessed to have many individuals and civic organizations who provide outstanding service and professional commitment to serving residents of the Township; and,

Whereas, the Hanover Ladies Industrial Band Club has been in existence for 125 years whose purpose has been to consider one another, provide love, good works and closer fellowship as well as to aid people in the community and to ask for God's help in all they do, and,

Whereas, many long standing families have formed the basis for the services provided over the years including the Kruckers, Vizedoms, Weavers, Shephers, Catons, Lakes, Skillmans Dericksons and many others, and,

Whereas, the Band has supported activities for Ft. Hamilton Hospital, American Cancer Society, Children's Home in Hamilton and local Hanover Township events for kids as the Band continues to meet on the second Wednesday of each month,

Be it Proclaimed by Jeff Buddo, Hanover Township Board of Trustees President,

Section I. That on behalf of Hanover Township, I hereby recognize the Hanover Ladies Industrial Band for 125 years of dedicated and thoughtful service to surrounding areas and Hanover Township as celebrated on this 14th day of June 2025.

Section II. That on behalf of Hanover Township, I hereby salute the current members and officers of the Band who continue to support local programs, addressing the needs of the community.

Section III. That this recognition proclamation be archived and noted for the record in the May 21, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes.

Presented to the Hanover Ladies Industrial Band this 14th day of May 2025 as Proclaimed by Jeff Buddo, Hanover Township Board of Trustees President.

Jeff Buddo, Board President

Presented by Jeff Buddo to the Hanover Ladies Industrial Band Club at their dinner on May 14, 2025.

For the Record:

Dear 2025 Board of Trustees

Hanover Township

Bruce Henry,

Thank you for your time this morning.

As we discussed, last evening our home was hit by shots fired from the west direction, (homes on Elgin Road in Riley Township).

911 was notified and dispatched two Sheriffs to our home at 4399 Stephenson Rd, Oxford, OH 45056 at 8:05pm.

Deputy Sheriff Matt Hardin (mhardin@butlersheriff.orgf, 513.785.1000) and his partner arrived 35 mins later and investigated the scene.

Deputy Hardin walked with his partner at 8:43pm through the backyards toward the west direction (Elgin Road homes).

Upon returning back to our home he reported to us the resident that lives at 2900 Elgin Road, Darya McNeil was indeed practicing shooting her new 9mm handgun. Deputy Hardin suspected the shots ricocheted from the nearby pond and flew into our backyard causing damage in three areas to our home and damage to our next door neighbors home as well. The shots that made contact with our back porch are dangerously close (within inches) to an outdoor seating and patio area that are frequently used by us.

We have six acres total on our property and we frequently walk/mow the entire lot. Residents on Elgin Road practice/target shoot in their backyards which connect to our property. Therefore, if we would happen to be in our yard during their shooting we could be in the line of the shots.

As homeowners we are extremely frightened about the prospect of being injured or worse if we walk on our property. Also to note that we have young children that frequent our home and play in our yard, as well as the adjacent neighbors and their pets and children.

We are requesting further investigation into the matter so that no individual would be harmed or worse.

Thank you for your attention,

Jeff & Jackie Snyder
513.805.5673

Motion Holiday Schedule:

Be it resolved by the Board of Township Trustees of Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio

Section I. Section VII. HOLIDAYS of Resolution No. 13-08 and Resolution No. 15-94 are hereby amended to read as follows:

Section VII. HOLIDAYS

Full-time employees are eligible for paid holidays upon hire. The employee must be in an approved paid status the day preceding and the day subsequent to the holiday in order to receive holiday pay, unless either day is a Saturday or Sunday.

Full-time employees are entitled to eight (8) hours of holiday pay for each of the following holidays, subject to the above. Employees are entitled to holiday pay in addition to any hours they may be required to work on these days:

New Year's Day
Martin Luther King Day
Presidents' Day
Memorial Day

Labor Day
Veterans Day
Thanksgiving Day
Friday after Thanksgiving

Juneteenth Day
Independence Day

Christmas Eve: 8 hours
Christmas Day 8 hours

Note of Explanation: Several agencies the Township interacts with such as the Sheriff's office, Butler County Engineer's Office and Court System lists more holidays than the Township at this time. Due to changes in the Ohio Revised Code regarding townships, Juneteenth is now listed as a codified holiday. Most agencies referenced herein also grant Christmas Eve off. The Board has been gracious enough to extend this holiday the last three years and is now requested to make this amendment permanent.

Other:

Mr. Henry explained about the Township phone system being out dated. Some components are over 20 years old. Repairs cannot take place as parts cannot be obtained for the old system. A new system is being proposed but Mr. Henry wants to hold a meeting of Department Heads to have the system explained and get their input. Estimated cost range is \$10,000.00 to 13,000.00.

Chief Clark stated he had been contact with officials from the Queen of Peace festival to be held June 6th and June 27th regarding Hanover Township providing a life squad unit for the festival. This request was approved and Hanover Township Fire Department will have a squad on duty at the festival.

Items Included in this section for review by the Board of Trustees:

- 1. Butler County Building Permit Reports**
- 2. OTA Legislative Information**
- 3. Newspaper Article: Property Tax Elimination Ballot Issue**
- 4. Newspaper Article: How Property Taxes are Assessed**
- 5. ODOT Notification: US 27 and Rail Bridge Crossing Work**
- 6. Other**

Executive Session (ORC 121.22)

Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the public session meeting of the Board and move into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues, promotions and changes which was seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Sullivan called the roll with all three Trustees voting yes.

Return to Regular Board Meeting and Moving out of Executive Session

Mr. Miller made a motion to close the Executive Session and to return to the public session meeting of the Board which was seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Sullivan called the roll with all three Trustees voting yes.

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There being no further public business for the Board to take up, Mr. Miller **moved** to adjourn the Board meeting of May 21, 2025 which was seconded by Mr. Johnson. Mr. Sullivan called the roll with Trustees Miller, Johnson and Buddo voting yes with the meeting ending at 7:15PM.

May 21, 2025 Minutes Approved by the Board of Trustees as Witnessed by their Signatures:

Jeff Buddo, President: _____

Larry Miller, Vice President _____

Douglas L. Johnson Trustee: _____

Date: 6/18/25

Verified by: Gregory L. Sullivan, Fiscal Office: _____
