

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

December 9, 2025

Trustee Chair Shawn Mesler called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Trustees Shawn Mesler and Teresa Stratton and Fiscal Officer Michele Barratt were present. Trustee John Bricker was excused.

Approve Minutes: .

Minutes of the November 11, 2025 regular meeting were presented as distributed.

Motion by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to approve these minutes. Voting YES – Stratton, Mesler. Motion carried.

Public Comment/Special Guests:

none

Old Business:

none

Approve Bills:

Motion by Mesler seconded by Stratton, to approve payment of:

Payroll	\$ 63,877.10
Other Payments	<u>\$ 127,598.33</u>
Total	\$ 191,475.43

Voting YES – Mesler, Stratton. Motion carried.

The November 2025 bank statement is in balance and was reviewed by the Trustees.

The November 2025 VISA statement has been reviewed by the Trustees.

RESOLUTION 2025-1209-01

A resolution to accept the 2026 temporary budget. Mesler moved, Stratton seconded. Voting YES – Mesler, Stratton. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2025-1209-02

A resolution to re-allocate \$3000 in Gasoline Tax Fund 2021. Stratton moved, Mesler seconded. Voting YES – Mesler, Stratton. Resolution adopted.

Road and Parks Report:

Road Foreman Adam Corll reported that in November, 1125 miles were put on trucks. They used 54 gallons of diesel and 133 gallons of gasoline. There was one weather event and they used three tons of salt mix.

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There were no burials and no cremations. They poured no head stone foundations. There were no culvert installations. They applied no cold patch and used no of limestone or asphalt.

Corll reported that the fire extinguisher company recommended installing a fire extinguisher outside near the diesel and gas tanks.

175 tons of salt arrived this week.

Corll reported that Knox Township may be selling their broom, and that we put money into ours every year in repairs. The Knox one is newer and in better shape.

Mesler made a motion to negotiate with Knox Township to purchase their broom. Stratton seconded. Voting YES – Mesler, Stratton. Motion carried.

Fire Report:

Assistant Fire Chief and Fire Prevention Officer April Thorne submitted the report for November 2025.

Damascus Fire Department responded to 44 out of 44 emergency calls for the month of November:

- 24 medical calls (Goshen – 11, Butler – 8, Sebring – 4, Georgetown – 1),
- 3 Structure Fires (Ellsworth - 2, Sebring – 1),
- 1 Fire Alarm (Butler – 1),
- 5 MVA with injuries (Goshen – 1, Butler – 3, Berlin - 1),
- 4 MVA without injuries (Goshen -4),
- 1 Football Standby Detail (West Branch High School– 1),
- 1 Fire Investigation (Goshen – 1),
- 1 Carbon Monoxide Check (Butler - 1),
- 1 Standby Mutual Aid (Winona – 1),
- 3 Wires Down (Goshen – 2, Butler – 1).

The department had 36 training hours in November.

Police Report:

Police Chief John Calko was excused from meeting. Lt Ryan McBride presented the stats for the month of November:

Goshen: 6593 miles driven with 420 events
Green: 6491 miles driven with 366 events

Mesler made a motion to accept the resignation of Trevor Hovanec, effective November 20, 2025. Stratton seconded. Voting YES – Stratton, Mesler. Motion carried.

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Stratton made a motion to promote Russell Beatty III to full-time officer. Mesler seconded. Voting YES – Mesler, Stratton. Motion carried.

Trustee Items:

Mesler reported that the township health insurance premium is expected to go up 3.99% in 2026 with our current carrier. Some other companies were as much as a 30% increase.

Stratton made a motion to renew health insurance for 2026 with the current provider. Mesler seconded. Voting YES – Stratton, Mesler. Motion carried.

Stratton made a motion to raise the amount of employee gift card Christmas bonus from \$50 to \$75 per employee. Mesler seconded. Voting YES – Mesler, Stratton. Motion carried.

Mesler recognized township resident Luke Dyke for applying for the OTA scholarship.

Adjournment:

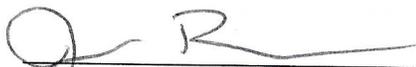
The 2025 Year End Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 6:00 pm with the Re-Organizational Meeting immediately following.

With no further business to conduct, Mesler moved, seconded by Stratton to adjourn at 6:15 pm. Voting YES – Stratton, Mesler. Motion carried

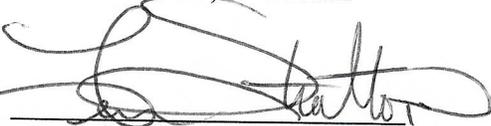
Attest:



Shawn Mesler, Chairman



John Bricker, Vice Chairperson



Teresa Stratton, Trustee



Michele Barratt, Fiscal Officer