

**Millcreek Township Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2026**

The Millcreek Township Trustees of Union County, Ohio convened in regular session from 7:00 p.m. to 9:10 p.m. at the Millcreek Township Community Building for the monthly meeting. Mr. Conroy called the meeting to order with the following members present:

MEMBERS: Keith Conroy, Bill Jordan, Dave Long and Scott Brackenridge

ATTENDEES: Chief Doug Stewart – Jerome Township Fire Department, Kyle Jenne & Eddie Curtis – Columbus Memorials, Ron Todd, Joni Orders, Joanne Rausch, Arran Schultz, Kathleen Neds, Jeff Pieper, Jim Lawrenz, Ben & Emily Weber

Meeting Minutes

Mr. Conroy asked for a motion to approve the public hearing minutes from January 5, 2026.

- **Resolution #2655:** motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2026 public hearing by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Long.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Conroy asked for a motion to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from January 5, 2026.

- **Resolution #2656:** motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2026 regular meeting by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Long.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Jerome Township Fire Department

Chief Stewart presented the monthly fire/EMS stats for January and other notable highlights for the department.

- EMS responses are down to start the year but Fire responses increased.
- Engine 210 is still out of service. Engine 212 is back in service from the pump rebuild but will be out of service again for general maintenance when Engine 210 is ready. Delivery of the new ladder track is still a few months away.
- Maintenance needs are being prioritized within budget constraints for Station 210 to help extend the useful life of the facility.
- Chief Stewart is interviewing to fill positions after the tax levy was passed in November 2025.

Union County Sheriff's Office

No representative from the Sheriff's Office attended this meeting.

Public Comment

Ben Weber, a Republican candidate for State Representative, introduced himself. Ben is running to be a representative for Union and Marion Counties, the position held currently by Tracy Richardson (who is term limited). Ben highlighted some of his experience and priorities and asked for feedback regarding current issues by those in attendance.

A resident asked questions regarding new wells being dug near Beecher Gamble Road and whether there were plans to construct a data center near that area. Residents voiced concerns regarding the impact on the water table adjacent to that area and electricity usage and rates. Discussion was held by all in attendance. The trustees noted a County Township Association meeting is being held later this week to provide information and discussion regarding the topic of data centers.

Zoning

Zoning Commission

Joni Orders, Zoning Commission Chair, provided an update to the trustees.

- The 2026 organization meeting was held in January. Ms. Orders was nominated Chair again for 2026.
- The Zoning Commission held a public hearing on January 22nd. The members reviewed language for inclusion in Chapter 8 of the Zoning Resolution regarding

Innovation Corridor Overlay Districts. The members approved forwarding the draft to the township trustees for their review and approval.

- **Resolution #2657:** motion to schedule a public hearing on Monday, March 2nd beginning at 7:00 p.m. to review and consider for approval by the trustees language for inclusion in Chapter 8 of the Zoning Resolution regarding Innovation Corridor Overlay Districts by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Long.
- Motion unanimously approved.
- Ms. Orders presented a draft of updated zoning fees for 2026 to the trustees. The trustees asked several questions and provided feedback. No changes were approved. Ms. Orders will follow up on the feedback received and some open questions. This topic will be reviewed again at a future meeting.

Board of Zoning Appeals

No updates

Zoning Administrator

Ron Todd, Zoning Administrator, provided an update to the trustees.

- Mr. Todd will order copies of the latest Comprehensive Plan Update.
- Mr. Todd noted an auction is scheduled in February for land near Watkins Road and Hinton Mill Road, a portion of which is in Millcreek Township. Mr. Todd reviewed details with the trustees of the land parcels being auctioned.
- Several proposed lot splits were also reviewed with the trustees. Mr. Todd reviewed in detail with the trustees the parcels involved and the related zoning questions. The trustees asked several questions.
- **Resolution #2658:** motion to accept the Zoning Administrator's report for January 2026 by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Long.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Appointments to Zoning Boards

- **Resolution #2659:** motion to appoint Jim Lawrenz to a five-year term on the Zoning Commission beginning February 1, 2026 through February 1, 2031 by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Long.
- Motion unanimously approved.
- **Resolution #2660:** motion to appoint Steve Cameron to a five-year term on the Board of Zoning Appeals beginning February 1, 2026 through February 1, 2031 by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Jordan.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Brian Clark submitted his resignation from the Board of Zoning Appeals, as he no longer resides within the township.

- **Resolution #2661:** motion to accept Brian Clark's resignation from the Board of Zoning Appeals by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Jordan.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Trustees

City of Marysville Public Meeting

Representatives from the City of Marysville scheduled a public informational meeting on Wednesday, February 4th beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Millcreek Township Community Building to discuss a planned water main project. The project corridor design goes through land within Millcreek Township. All residents are welcome to attend to gather information and ask questions.

Columbarium Project for the Cemetery

Invited by the trustees, Kyle Jenne and Eddie Curtis with Columbus Memorials attended tonight's meeting to present a draft proposal for installing a columbarium at the township cemetery and to answer questions regarding the project. The trustees and residents asked several questions, touching on topics of pricing, return on investment, aesthetics, maintenance and planning for future phases (if necessary). Mr. Conroy will follow up with Mr. Jenne to work through project questions and details of a contract for consideration by the trustees at a future meeting.

Planning Services by LUC in Support of Zoning Commission

Changes to the draft agreement were proposed by Union County Prosecutor’s Office personnel, so the contract is not yet finalized. The trustees discussed overall cost of the services to be rendered.

- **Resolution #2662:** motion to approve services provided by LUC Staff supporting the work of the Millcreek Township Zoning Commission not to exceed a total cost of \$10,000 by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Jordan.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Jordan

No updates beyond matters previously discussed in tonight’s meeting.

Mr. Long

No updates beyond matters previously discussed in tonight’s meeting.

Mr. Conroy

Mr. Conroy will continue reaching out to the Union County Engineer’s Office and the Ohio Department of Transportation to request an update be provided at a future meeting regarding the road construction project along US 42.

Other Business Items

Receipts, Expenditures and Bank Reconciliation

Receipts for the month: Union County Auditor Monthly Distribution: Gasoline Tax \$13,312.17; Motor Vehicle License Tax \$75.36; Local Government Sales Tax \$1,731.28; LGF \$346.13; Motor Vehicle Permissive License Tax \$505.50. Tonya Jordan \$75.00 township hall rental. Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation \$24.90 policy refund. Marysville Municipal Court \$110.00 traffic fines. Star Ohio \$2,937.13.

The trustees duly noted the check sequence from the previous month ending with check #6614 and checks presented for approval at the current meeting beginning with check #6615. The trustees compared the accuracy of the expenditures/electronic fund withdrawals and receipts to those listed in the minutes.

Mr. Brackenridge noted the January bank reconciliation was not completed and ready for review at this time.

The trustees attested to the payment of the bills. The fiscal officer certified funds are available for the payment of the bills which were presented and approved by the trustees.

- **Resolution #2663:** motion to pay bills by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Jordan.
- Motion unanimously approved.

6615	Scott Brackenridge	1000-110-121	1,969.40
6616	Keith Conroy	1000-110-111	326.86
6616	Keith Conroy	2021-330-111	326.86
6617	William Jordan	1000-110-111	578.21
6617	William Jordan	2021-330-111	578.20
6618	David Long	1000-110-111	508.83
6618	David Long	2021-330-111	508.82
6619	Ron Todd	1000-130-150	930.75
6620	OPERS	1000-110-111	199.61
6620	OPERS	1000-110-211	436.00
6620	OPERS	1000-130-150	111.80
6620	OPERS	2021-330-111	199.61
6620	OPERS	2021-330-211	279.46
Vouc	IRS	1000-110-111	182.95
Vouc	IRS	1000-110-121	171.36
Vouc	IRS	1000-110-212	138.88
Vouc	IRS	1000-110-213	77.63
Vouc	IRS	1000-130-150	38.84
Vouc	IRS	2021-330-111	182.94
Vouc	IRS	2021-330-213	28.95
Vouc	Ohio Dept. Taxation	1000-110-111	31.81

	Vouc	Ohio Dept. Taxation	1000-110-121	77.84
	Vouc	Ohio Dept. Taxation	1000-130-150	19.84
	Vouc	Ohio Dept. Taxation	2021-330-111	31.80
	Vouc	School Dist. Income Tax	1000-110-111	17.93
	Vouc	School Dist. Income Tax	1000-110-121	21.32
	Vouc	School Dist. Income Tax	2021-330-111	17.91
	Vouc	Marysville City Inc. Tax	1000-130-150	16.77
	Vouc	Ohio Public Emp. Def.	1000-110-111	150.00
	Vouc	Ohio Public Emp. Def.	2021-330-111	150.00
P 1-26	6621	Jerome Township	2191-220-360	102,063.00
P 8-26	6622	Tonya Jordan	1000-120-329	400.00
P 4-26	6623	Ohio Edison	1000-120-351	306.00
P 6-26	6624	Verizon Wireless	1000-130-341	98.64
P 7-26	6625	Spectrum Business	1000-120-329	250.00
B 7-26	6626	Clarity Tech Solutions	1000-110-599	260.60
B 5-26	6627	Marysville JT	1000-110-345	47.25
P 2-26	6628	Union County Engineer	2021-330-420	1,778.29
B 7-26	6629	Union County Treasurer	1000-110-599	2.00
B 6-26	6630	Amazon Capital Services	1000-110-410	79.45
B10-26	6630	Amazon Capital Services	1000-120-420	218.95

Interest for the month is: \$21.68
Interest for the year is: \$21.68

All formal actions of the Millcreek Township Trustees of Union County concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Motion to Adjourn

- **Resolution #2664:** motion to adjourn by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Long.
- Motion unanimously approved.

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Keith Conroy
Chairman

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Scott Brackenridge
Fiscal Officer