JACKSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING AGENDA

August 25, 2026

1. *3:00 P.M. Work Session:*

   A. *Zoning & Planning Department:*

      1. *Proposed Text Amendments*

   B. *Park Division:*

      1. *Schuring Park - Signage*

2. *3:30 P.M. Executive Session:*

   A. *Police Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Interview Police Patrol Officer Candidate and SRO Candidate*

   B. *Public Works Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Interview General Laborer Candidate*

   C. *Police Department: Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment – Negotiations*

   D. *Public Works Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Park Foreman Position – Posting and Hiring*

   E. *Fire Department: Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment – Hearing Pursuant to Article 9, Section 4(B) of the Collective Bargaining Agreement -Step 2 Decision*

   F. *Fire Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Captains - Posting and Hiring*

3. *5:00 P.M. Call General Session to order*
   (Turn off cell phones)

4. *Pledge of Allegiance*

5. Public Speaks:

A. Ed McDonnell – Recognition of Service

B. (Restricted to topics listed on the Agenda)

6. Administration Department:

A. Amendment to Regular Meeting Schedule

B. Bates Brothers Amusement Company Agreement

C. Health Insurance Premium Holiday

7. Police Department:

A. Appropriation Transfer Request

B. Resignation

8. Public Works Department:

A. Park Division:

1. OHSAA Agreement

2. Tournament Reservation Request

9. Fire Department:

A. Assignment to Fire Prevention Bureau

B. Fire Code

10. Zoning and Planning Department:

A. Appoint Zoning Investigator

B. Request for Unpaid Leave

C. <u>Set public hearing for Zoning Amendment 20260769 on September 8, 2026 at 5:00 P.M.:</u> Nicole Wilkinson, 565 White Pond Dr, Akron, Ohio 44320 agent for McKinley Development Company, LTD, property owner, 821 S. Main St. North Canton, Ohio 44720 request revision to a previously

approved R-4 PUD (amendment 20260221, 5/14/24) including reducing the number of villa units from 42 to 36, modifying the road layout in which the villa units are located, remove the luxury apartments and any modifications to the existing building on the plan in which the building would remain vacant space, modify the interior lot lines to allow the existing building to be located on its own parcel of land and considered as a separate portion of the R-4 PUD district with the understanding that any future changes to the existing building and layout would need to come back before the Trustees. Property consisting of parcels 1702425, 1702423, and 1702424 Woodlawn, Sect. 36NE Jackson Twp.

D. Notice to County Auditor for fees and expenses for mowing noxious weeds:

1. *5550 West Blvd., Lot 507-508 Parcel No. 1616023*
2. *1116 Concord St. NW, Parcel No. 1613452*
3. *4606 20TH St. NW, Parcel No. 1700112*

E. Noxious Weed Resolutions:

1. *1266 Leecrest Street NW, Lot 131 in Kendal Heights, 32SE, Parcel No. 1603301*
2. Lot 40 on Ridgecourt Street NW in Shadow Ridge, 11NW, 10009277
3. 5677 Shadow Ridge Circle NW, Lot 51 in Shadow Ridge, 11NW, Parcel No. 10009252

11. Fiscal Office:

A. Pay Bills

B. Approve minutes for August 11, 2026, Board of Trustees' meeting

12. Routine Business:

- *Announcements:*
- *Next Regular **Board of Trustees'** meeting, September 8, 2026, 4:00 P.M., Executive Session and/or Work Session: 5:00 P.M., General Session, Jackson Township Hall*
- ***CIC Meeting** – September 17, 2026, 2:00 P.M., Jackson Township Hall*

- ***LOGIC Meeting*** *– September 2, 2026, 9:00 A.M., Safety Center*

- ***Zoning Meetings:*** *- Jackson Township Hall:*
  a. ***Zoning Commission*** *– none*

  b. ***Board of Zoning Appeals*** *– September 10, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.*

- ***Summer concert Series:***
  - August 29 – Bad Juju Cleveland – A Tribute to the 90s
  - September 5 – Pandora's Box – The Ultimate Aerosmith Tribute

  The Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater
  Gates open at 6:00 PM – Concerts begin at 7:30 PM
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- ***Free Concert:***
  - September 3 – Buck Naked Band

  The Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater
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13. *Old Business:*

14. *New Business:*

15. *Public Speaks – Open Forum:*

16. *Adjourn*

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

AUGUST 25, 2026

Hawke called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at the Jackson Township Hall with Trustees Todd Hawke, John Pizzino, and Justin Hardesty present. Fiscal Officer Gonzalez, Administrator/Law Director Vaccaro, Fire Chief Berczik, Police Chief Brink, Zoning Inspector Poindexter, and Public Works Director Rohn were also in attendance.

The first order of business was a work session about proposed zoning text amendments and the Jackson Township entry sign project.

Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Police Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Interview Police Patrol Officer Candidate and SRO Candidate

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Public Works Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Interview General Laborer Candidate

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to go into Executive Session Police Department: Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment - Negotiations

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Public Works Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Park Foremen Position – Posting and Hiring

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to go into Executive Session Fire Department: Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment – Hearing Pursuant to Article 9, Section 4(B) of the Collective Bargaining Agreement -Step 2 Decision

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Fire Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Captains – Posting and Hiring

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke called the General Session to order at 5:02 p.m. He requested that all cell phones be silenced at this time.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Speaks –The trustees honored Ed McDonnell in recognition of his 31 years of dedicated service to the Jackson Township Board of Zoning Appeals from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 2025.

Administration Department

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26A
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to amend the Board of Trustees' regular meeting schedule as follows:

1. The October 13, 2026, meeting shall be canceled and rescheduled to October 14, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. (Work Session), 4:00 p.m. (Executive Session) and 5:00 p.m. (General Session).

2. The December 22, 2026, meeting shall be canceled and rescheduled to December 15, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. (Work Session), 4:00 p.m. (Executive Session) and 5:00 p.m. (General Session).

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-162
2027 COMMUNITY CELEBRATION – BATES BROTHERS AMUSEMENT COMPANY AGREEMENT
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion that, we hereby adopt and authorize the placement of the Board members' signatures on the attached Agreement with the Bates Brothers Amusement Company.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26B
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to designate December 2026 as the health insurance premium holiday as directed by the Health Benefits Program of Stark County Schools Council of Governments for Fiscal Year 2027. During the premium holiday month, health insurance premiums will be waived for enrolled employees.

3-0 yes

Police Department

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26C
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve the following appropriation transfer request for a total transfer of $7,216.00.

FROM CODE	DESCRIPTION	TO CODE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
209.250.5385	Other	209.250.5450	Dispatch Services	$7,216.00
			TOTAL	$7,216.00

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26D
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to accept the attached resignation from part-time Police Officer and Constable, Jason C. Greenfield, effective July 31, 2026, at 0800 hours.

3-0 yes

Public Works Department

Park Division

RESOLUTION 26-163
OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION AGREEMENTS
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion that, we hereby adopt and authorize the placement of the Board Chairman's signature upon the attached Site Confirmation Agreement with attached General Terms and Conditions with the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the Girls' Sectional Tennis Tournament.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26E
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve the reservation and permitting fees of the eight (8) pickleball courts located in North Park by the Hall of Fame City Pickleball Club, on August 30, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., in accordance with Section 101.18(D) and Exhibit A of the Amended Park Rules and Regulations (amended April 14, 2026, effective May 14, 2026).

3-0 yes

Fire Department

RESOLUTION 26-164
PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT TO FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion whereas, Chief Timothy Berczik has assigned Firefighter/Paramedic Scott M. Applegate to the Fire Prevention Bureau to fill Fire Inspector's duties and assignments.

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio that:

1. Pursuant to the authority granted in ORC Sections 505.38 and 3737.01(D), we hereby affirm Scott M. Applegate's assignment to the Fire Prevention Bureau, effective July 27, 2026, at 0800 hours, to serve as a Fire Safety Inspector at the annual salary of $86,417.99 (FF/P1) consistent with the Negotiated Agreement with Jackson Township and the Jackson Township Professional Firefighters Local 2280, IAFF, Captains and Firefighters.

2. Resolution 26-136 is hereby rescinded.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-165
JACKSON TOWNSHIP FIRE PREVENTION CODE
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion whereas, pursuant to ORC Section 505.373, the Board of Trustees are authorized to adopt a standard code pertaining to fire, fire hazards and fire prevention, prepared and promulgated by the state or any department, board or other agency of the state.

Be it resolved that we hereby adopt the 2025 Ohio Fire Code on file as the Fire Prevention Code of Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio with the attached amendments thereto, effective September 24, 2026. The previously established fire lanes on file in the Fiscal Office are also incorporated herein. The Fire Chief and/or Deputy Chief(s) shall have the full authority to designate subsequent fire lanes.

Be it further resolved that Resolution No. 17-162 is hereby repealed, effective September 24, 2026.

Be it further resolved that the Township Fiscal Officer shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and shall cause the attached notice to be posted in five conspicuous places in the Township for at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of this Resolution and further publish said notice in accordance with ORC Section 505.373.

3-0 yes

Zoning Department

RESOLUTION 26-166
FULL-TIME ZONING INVESTIGATOR APPOINTMENT
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion that pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 511.10, Gregory M. Hutton is hereby appointed to the full-time position of Zoning Investigator for the Jackson Township Zoning and Planning Department, Stark County, Ohio at the compensation rate

of $52,000.00 annually and at Level C of the Benefit Package for Management Personnel, effective September 8, 2026.

Be it further resolved that, Gregory M. Hutton will serve a two-year probationary period during which time he may be terminated without cause by the Board of Trustees.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26F
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to approve a requested unpaid leave by Zoning Investigator, Gregory M. Hutton, on the following dates:

1. November 16 and 17, 2026 for a total of sixteen (16) hours.
2. May 31, 2027, through June 4, 2027, for a total of forty (40) hours.

3-0 yes

Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to set a public hearing for Zoning Amendment 20260769 on September 8, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Nicole Wilkinson, 565 White Pond Dr., Akron, Ohio 44320, agent for McKinley Development Company, LTD. Property owner, 821 S. Main St. North Canton, Ohio 44720 request revision to a previously approved R-4 PUD (amendment 20260221, 5/14/24) including reducing the number of villa units from 42 to 36, modifying the road layout in which the villa units are located, remove the luxury apartments and any modifications to the existing building on the plan in which the building would remain vacant space, modify the interior lot lines to allow the existing building to be located on its own parcel of land and considered as a separate portion of the R-4 PUD district with the understanding that any future changes to the existing building and layout would need to come back before the Trustees. Property consisting of parcels 1702425, 1702423, and 1702424, Woodlawn, Sect. 36NE, Jackson Twp.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26G
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to submit a notice to the County Auditor for fees and expenses for mowing noxious weeds at 5550 West Blvd., Lot 507-508 Parcel No. 1616023, in the amount of $550.00.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26H
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to submit a notice to the County Auditor for fees and expenses for mowing noxious weeds at 1116 Concord St., NW, Parcel No. 1613452, in the amount of $550.00.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26I
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to submit a notice to the County Auditor for fees and expenses for mowing noxious weeds at 4606 20th St., NW, Parcel No. 1700112, in the amount of $550.00.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-167
NOXIOUS WEEDS – 1266 LEECREST STREET NW, LOT 131 IN KENDAL HEIGHTS, 32SE, PARCEL NO. 1603301, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, OHIO
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion whereas, the Jackson Township Board of Trustees, having been informed in writing that noxious or other harmful weeds are growing on the lands in charge of Karen Colwell & John Wadsworth (both deceased) and described as follows: 1266 Leecrest Street NW, Lot 131 in Kendal Heights, 32SE, Parcel No. 1603301, Jackson Township, Ohio.

Be it resolved that said NAR Ohio, LLC, 5002 Dodge Street Suite 203, Omaha, NE 68132, the tax certificate holder, be notified by serving on them by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that, pursuant to ORC Section 5579.05, they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is no need for doing so. The owner shall have a continuing duty to cut or destroy the noxious weeds every 30 days from the date of this Resolution until October 31, 2026. If the owner fails to meet this obligation within the five-day period, or the subsequent 30-day periods, the Township will mow at $150.00 per hour with a $400.00 minimum charge per lot or parcel. As stated in our prior courtesy letter to you, pursuant to ORC Sections 5579.06 and 5579.07, a $150.00 administrative fee per lot or parcel will be placed on your tax duplicate.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-168
NOXIOUS WEEDS – LOT 40 ON RIDGECOURT STREET NW IN SHADOW RIDGE, 11NW, PARCEL NO. 10009277, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, OHIO
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion whereas, the Jackson Township Board of Trustees, having been informed in writing that noxious or other harmful weeds are growing on the lands in charge of Schumacher Homes of Akron/Canton, Inc. and described as follows: Lot 40 on Ridgecourt Street NW in Shadow Ridge, 11NW, 10009277, Jackson Township, Ohio.

Be it resolved that said Schumacher Homes Akron/Canton, Inc., 2715 Wise Ave NW, Canton, OH 44708, be notified by serving on them by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that, pursuant to ORC Section 5579.05, they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is no need for doing so. The owner shall have a continuing duty to cut or destroy the noxious weeds every 30 days from the date of this Resolution until October 31, 2026. If the owner fails to meet this obligation within the five-day period, or the subsequent 30-day periods, the Township will mow at $150.00 per hour with a $400.00 minimum charge per lot or parcel. As stated in our prior courtesy letter to you, pursuant to ORC Sections 5579.06 and 5579.07, a $150.00 administrative fee per lot or parcel will be placed on your tax duplicate.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-169
NOXIOUS WEEDS – 5677 SHADOW RIDGE CIRCLE NW, LOT 51 IN SHADOW RIDGE, 11NW, PARCEL NO. 10009252, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, OHIO
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion whereas, the Jackson Township Board of Trustees, having been informed in writing that noxious or other harmful weeds are growing on the lands in charge of Schumacher Homes of Akron/Canton, Inc. and described as follows: 5677 Shadow Ridge Circle NW, Lot 51 in Shadow Ridge, 11NW, Parcel No. 10009252**,** Jackson Township, Ohio.

Be it resolved that said Schumacher Homes Akron/Canton, Inc., 2715 Wise Ave NW, Canton, OH 44708, be notified by serving on them by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that, pursuant to ORC Section 5579.05, they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is no need for doing so. The owner shall have a continuing duty to cut or destroy the noxious weeds every 30 days from the date of this Resolution until October 31, 2026. If the owner fails to meet this obligation within the five-day period, or the subsequent 30-day periods, the Township will mow at $150.00 per hour with a $400.00 minimum charge per lot or parcel. As stated in our prior courtesy letter to you, pursuant to ORC Sections 5579.06 and 5579.07, a $150.00 administrative fee per lot or parcel will be placed on your tax duplicate.

3-0 yes

Fiscal Office

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26J
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to pay the bills in the amount of $1,401,900.10.

3-0 yes

ATTACHMENT 08/25/26K
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to approve minutes for the August 11, 2026, Board of Trustees' Meeting.

3-0 yes

Routine Business

Announcements

- Next regular **Board of Trustees'** meeting, September 8, 2026, 4:00 p.m., Executive Session and/or Work Session; 5:00 p.m., General Session, Jackson Township Hall.

- **CIC Meeting –** September 17, 2026, 2:00 p.m., Jackson Township Hall

- **LOGIC Meeting -** September 2, 2026, 9:00 a.m., Safety Center

- **Zoning Meetings:** (Jackson Township Hall)
  - **Board of Zoning Appeals**:
    - September 10, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.
  - **Zoning Commission:**
    - None

- **Summer Concert Series:**
  -August 29 – Bad Juju Cleveland – A Tribute to the 90's
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- **Free Concert**:
  -September 3 – Buck Naked Band

  The Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater
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Old Business – None

New Business –

RESOLUTION 26-170
ACCEPTANCE OF FULL-TIME POLICE CHIEF OATH OF OFFICE
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion that we hereby accept the attached oath of office for Mark H. Brink as Full-time Police Chief for the Jackson Township Police District, Stark County, Ohio.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-171
INITIATION OF ZONING TEXT AMENDMENTS
Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion whereas, the Jackson Township Board of Trustees from time-to-time receive recommendations for text amendments to the Jackson Township Zoning Resolution.

Whereas, the Jackson Township Board of Trustees reviewed the attached text changes on August 25, 2026, and believe the recommendations deserve consideration by the Jackson Township Zoning Commission.

Be it resolved that, pursuant to ORC 519.12(A)(1), we authorize the Zoning Inspector, as the Board of Trustees' designee, to file an application with the Jackson Township Zoning Commission initiating a text amendment to the Jackson Township Zoning Resolution. Associated fees are hereby waived.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-172
POLICE DEPARTMENT FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT
Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion that, pursuant to ORC Section 505.49 and 509.01, we hereby appoint Cam A. Weese as a Full-Time Patrol Officer and Township Constable for the Jackson Township Police District, Stark County, Ohio, conditioned upon providing proof of Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy certification, successful completion of the background check, negative drug screen, and any other testing requirements.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-173
POLICE DEPARTMENT PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT

Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion that, pursuant to ORC Section 505.49 and 509.01, we hereby appoint Eric D. Sawyer as a Part-Time Patrol Officer and Township Constable for the Jackson Township Police District, Stark County, Ohio, and assigned to the School Safety Division, conditioned upon providing proof of Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy certification, successful completion of the background check, negative drug screen, and any other testing requirements.

3-0 yes

RESOLUTION 26-174
FULL-TIME PUBLIC WORKS-GENERAL LABORER CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT

Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion that we hereby appoint Jeff L. Walter to the full-time position of General Laborer for the Jackson Township Public Works Department, Stark County, Ohio, conditioned upon successful completion of the background check, negative drug screen, and any other testing requirements.

3-0 yes

Public Speaks – None

Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to go into Executive Session Fire Department: Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment – Hearing Pursuant to Article 9, Section 4(B) of the Collective Bargaining Agreement -Step 2 Decision

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke moved and Hardesty seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for Fire Department (Personnel Appointment/Employment/Compensation) – Captains – Posting and Hiring

Hawke – yes
Hardesty - yes
Pizzino – yes

Hawke moved and Pizzino seconded a motion to adjourn. **3-0 yes**

Todd Hawke **Kody Gonzalez**