

JACKSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, STARK COUNTY, OHIO

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 26- 101

ADOPTED: 05/12/2026

SUBJECT: Jackson Township Roadside Drainage Policy

The Board of Trustees of Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026 with the following members present:

Todd J. Hawke  
Justin B. Hardesty  
John E. Pizzino

Trustee Hawke moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to ORC Sections 5571.02, 5571.14 and 5589.06 the Board of Trustees of Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio hereby adopts and approves the attached Roadside Drainage Policy effective May 18, 2026.

Trustee Hardesty seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Hawke	<u>Yes</u>
Mr. Hardesty	<u>X</u>
Mr. Pizzino	<u>X</u>

The foregoing is a true and correct counterpart of Resolution Number 26-101, duly adopted on May 12, 2026 and filed with me as the Township Fiscal Officer on May 13, 2026.

  
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Kody Gonzalez, Fiscal Officer

The foregoing resolution is approved as to form:

  
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Michael B. Vaccaro, Law Director

## JACKSON TOWNSHIP ROADSIDE DRAINAGE POLICY

It is the Board of Trustees of Jackson Township's responsibility to maintain the integrity of the drainage system along township roads, (policy does not pertain to state highways or county roadways). This policy has been established to provide the following services to property owners when pipe is required. In each of the following cases, the property owner is responsible for furnishing at their cost all the materials required to perform the work:

1. For a driveway entrance onto a township road the property owner is responsible to provide all materials as specified in the "Standard Driveway Specifications" as required by Resolution 23-034.
2. No property owner adjoining a township road shall enclose the roadside ditch along his/her residential or commercial lot. Enclosed roadside ditches in a residential or commercial area along a township road established prior to the enactment of this policy are subject to removal if water becomes trapped, water flow from abutting properties is reduced or stopped, the township road is weakened leading to premature failure of the road, or trapped water freezing and thawing is causing rapid deterioration of pavement.
3. If a property owner needs a subsurface drainage outlet and none is available on his/her property other than a township roadside system, the owner can apply for a Drainage Tap Agreement. If the system that the owner wishes to connect to is not adequate to accept more discharge, permission will be denied. If the system can accept more discharge the agreement may be approved. If approved, the tap location will be specified in addition to materials and conditions. This tap will be into a catch basin located within the applicants' property lines. If no catch basin exists within the applicant's property line, it is the applicants' responsibility to furnish and install a catch basin as specified by the Public Works Department. The tap will then be made into the catch basin.
4. When a property owner's project (per paragraphs 1 & 3 above) requires a pipe size that exceeds the diameter limit it is the property owner's responsibility to hire a contractor to do the installation at his/her expense. There shall be no exceptions to paragraph (2) two, unless the Public Works Director determines there to be an emergency, and closure is in the best interest of the township roadway system. At the sole discretion of the Public Works Director, the Director may require an engineering plan for paragraphs one through four (1-4), stamped by a P.E., from the property owner at the property owner's sole expense. The plans and materials require approval by the Public Works Director prior to construction.
5. All projects are reviewed and approved/denied on a case-by-case basis.