

Elkrun Township Board of Trustees
June 18, 2025

Chairman Perrino called to order the regular meeting of the Elkrun Township Board of Trustees meeting at 7:00 pm. The following trustees were in attendance:

Randy Perrino
Kurt Seachrist
Andy Sweeney

The minutes shall reflect visitor 10 (s) present. The previous meeting minutes from May 28, 2025 were accepted on a motion of Trustee Sweeney, Trustee Seachrist gave the second. All in favor with a roll call vote. Chairman Perrino recognized the visitor (s) and fiscal officer as the following business was discussed:

Cody Wolfgang was present at the meeting regarding the mowing of the ditches and potholes. Mr. Wolfgang was appreciative of the mowing that was done; however, the tractor had thrown some bigger rocks and debris onto the road that was not cleaned up. He also mentioned there were a couple of pot holes that were not filled when the department was patching. Mr. Anderson said he would take care of those pot holes in addition to mentioning to the employee mowing to watch for debris thrown from under the mower.

Phyllis French, Elkrun Tourism Board, was present to discuss the work the Tourism Board wants to do at Churchill Cemetery and Friends Cemetery on Low Rd, the board as she has mentioned earlier in the year wants to clean up the area, add a pull off area on Low Rd and put boundary fencing around the cemeteries in question. She is now getting the impression the township does not want this work done, it was explained this is not the case at all. However, when Assistant County Prosecutor Hartup was contacted with questions he then asked why the Tourism Board was having township property surveyed. It was also found in this research that the cemetery on Churchill Rd had not been deeded to the township since its abandonment. Attorney Hartup's opinion is that a private organization should not be authorizing surveying to be completed on Township property, this is a decision the Trustees should approve. The other opinion he has is that if the Tourism Board is going to be doing work there should be a work agreement and volunteer form completed by both the Tourism Board and Township. The trustees explained to Mrs. French they want to work with the Tourism Board but also need to make sure it is completed in the correct way that is best for the entire Township. The Friends Cemetery has already been surveyed by Quetot Land Surveying, Churchill has not been to date. The survey for the Friends Cemetery after being completed it will be reviewed by Attorney Hartup along with the current easement for any changes that may need to be added. When all of this is complete the agreement and volunteer form and be completed. The trustees asked that the tourism board discontinue any work being done at either Cemetery until the necessary legal work is completed, adding this may not move as fast as they wish. The Trustee's asked for patience and understanding while this is done the correct way. Mr. Quetot was also present about the survey for Churchill Rd Cemetery, asking if the Trustees were interested in having this completed.

Trustee Seachrist made the motion to have Churchill Rd Cemetery surveyed by Quetot Land Surveying; Trustee Sweeney gave the second. The motion passed with all ayes.

In the meantime, the township will continue to mow Churchill Rd Cemetery.

OLD BUSINESS

The trustees were reminded of Global Pak's Expansion Ribbon Cutting on July 3rd at 11:30 am.

Mountain Run Forestry will be completing a second bond for the use of Pine Hollow Rd during their logging in the area.

Fiscal Officer Wonner reported Attorney Hartup had been contacted about the noise the residents of Churchill Rd brought up at the last meeting. Attorney Hartup cited Ohio Revised Code 505.17 where a township may pass a resolution to regulate passenger car, motorcycle and internal combustion engine noise for vehicles being operated on streets or highways in the township. ORC 505.172 a township may adopt a noise regulation for any premises that has a Class D liquor permit anywhere in the township. Further if a township has zoning 505.172 also authorizes a township to regulate noise in a residential zoned area. It does not appear the issue the residents have raised would be applicable to the authorized regulations Elkrun Township could enact.

Fiscal Officer reported the water/sewer line is expected to start soon and is anticipated to take all summer per the County Engineer's office.

NEW BUSINESS

The following correspondence was received by standard mail and email, presented for review than retained for filing as required:

1. Ohio Township Association Notice

Fiscal Officer Wonner presented the 2026 estimated revenue and expenditures to the trustees for review. She explained that the estimated revenue and expenditures are just that estimated at this time and the beginning of the process for the 2026 appropriations. When asked by Trustee Perrino she also explained for those in attendance the budget process and the differences in the funds the Township has.

Trustee Sweeney made the motion to approve the 2026 estimated revenue and expenditures as presented, Trustee Seachrist gave the second. The motion passed with all ayes.

Resolution No. 06182025 was presented to the trustees. This resolution is a resolution of necessity requesting the County Auditor to certify certain tax valuation information in anticipation of levying a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation. The levy is a renewal of an existing tax for a term of 5 years at 2.0 mills to provide for an adequate amount for general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of roads and bridges.

Trustee Seachrist made the motion to approve Resolution No. 06182025; Trustee Sweeney gave the second. The motion passed with all ayes. The resolution will be submitted to the County Auditor.

Trustees Sweeney and Perrino met with Rob Morrow from ODOT regarding the pipe issue on SR 154 in front of the township garage. The issue begins on Scroggs Rd above the entrance of the Tri County 4 Wheelers gate running under SR 154 into the field. ODOT has agreed to complete the work, and the Township will have to purchase the material, estimated 120 feet of pipe and a custom made 5x5x6 catch basin. The work is estimated to take about 1 week, with SR 154 being closed during this time.

Trustee Sweeney made the motion to approval of up to \$10,000.00 for the work described, Trustee Seachrist gave the second. The motion passed with all ayes.

There was discussion about the pipe that goes under Lower Elkton Rd from the State Route, the trustees feel any issues with this pipe would be ODOT with the runoff coming from the State Route ditches not a township road.

Mr. Anderson reported Reclaimer is scheduled for June 24-27, Trustee Perinno and Mr. Anderson will work on the reclaimer roads this upcoming Monday.

Mr. Anderson requested a construction assistance form be completed for a road groom and submitted to the County Engineers Office. Trustee Seachrist made the motion to approve; Trustee Sweeney gave the second. The motion passed with all ayes.

The following financial reports were submitted for review: May bank reconciliation and all month end reports, payment listing and payment warrants with the relevant invoices attached and purchase orders and most current fund summary. Other reports and items were reviewed, signed, and approved as Trustee Seachrist made the motion to pay the bills and Trustee Sweeney gave the second. The motion passed with all ayes.

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Perrino made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm. Trustee Seachrist gave the second.

Chairman_____ Trustee_____

Trustee_____ Fiscal Officer_____