



A regular meeting of the Darby Township Trustees was held on March 2nd, 2026, at the township meeting hall in Derby, Ohio. Present were the following trustees: Mr. Matt Corder, Mr. Chris Brungarth, Mr. Rob McNeal and Mrs. Cobb. See the attached attendant sheet for the community attendees.

At 7:00pm, Chair Mr. Corder called the meeting to order. Mrs. Cobb read the approved minutes from the February 2nd and 23rd, 2026 Township meeting. Mr. McNeal made a motion to accept the minutes as read with a correction being Ridgeway Rd not Ridgway Dr. Mr. Brungarth seconded. A roll call vote followed: Mr. Corder, Yes. Mr. Brungarth, Yes Mr. McNeal, Yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Corder made a motion to approve and sign the monthly bills, bank reconciliation, and purchase order. Mr. McNeal seconded. A roll call vote followed: Mr. Corder, Yes. Mr. Brungarth, Yes Mr. McNeal, Yes. Motion carried.

Old Business

Mr. Corder stated he and Mr. Brungarth attended the certification meeting with the County Engineer's office. They are just waiting on the final bids from the county for the approved repairs as stated in the Special meeting on Feb. 23rd, 2026. The county noted they will not provide a quote for Clifton St. as it does not fit their criteria. The trustees will look into the possibility of closing the alley and making it a private drive but it would require a survey. This has been tabled.

Mr. Corder provided quotes for crack sealing all the back alleys and streets in Derby. Black Cat's quote was \$10,245.59 and GT Contracting ^{was} ~~is~~ \$27,100.00. Mr. McNeal made a motion to approve the crack sealing with Black Cat's and Mr. Brungarth seconded. A roll call vote followed: Mr. Corder, Yes. Mr. Brungarth, Yes Mr. McNeal, Yes. Motion carried.

New Business

Due to high winds, Mr. Thompson's dumpster on Clifton St. had scattered trash and debris around the dumpster and onto London Rd. Mr. Corder was made aware and cleaned up the debris as did Jon Bickenhauser. A suggestion was made that Mr. Thompson put a fence or cage around the dumpster so others do not fill it up without permission.

Mr. Brungarth requested a resolution be passed to hire Atty. Peter Griggs to conduct a workshop to guide the trustees, zoning commission and BZA on data center matters. Mr. Griggs will bill at

a rate of \$235.00 per hour, billing every 1/10 of the hour. This will provide legal counsel and guidance to the Township Trustees, the Zoning Commission, and the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) outside of the prosecutor's office. Rob made a motion to schedule the workshop in partnership with all mentioned. Once the date is determined, a special meeting notice will be submitted to the Circleville Herald and posted for public display. Matt seconded the motion. A roll call vote followed: Mr. Corder, Yes. Mr. Brungarth, Yes Mr. McNeal, Yes. Motion carried.

The Fire Department financials, 2025 total runs dispatched and the squad budget for 2026 were shared. See attached documents.

Mr. Corder was contacted by Mr. Sheets who owns farmland on Renick Rd. He is concerned about tile and draining issues. The trustees will table this discussion until they have all had a chance to look at the issue.

Mr. Corder shared his concern for the appearance of the township shops and trucks. He would like to see them cleaned up and organized. Smoking in the township vehicles is prohibited.

A community member has offered to plow the roads near his residence in the event of snow. The trustees advised him not to do so because if there is any damage to the road, it would become the residents responsibility to repair.

Mr. Buehler suggested the Jr. Derby Garden Club become a 501c3.

Mrs. Burke stated all donations for the Jr. Garden Club have been private. It is an educational experience for kids in the community. They teach them to grow vegetables and learn how to prepare them in meals. They feed the kids at each meeting. In 2025 they served 80 kids. The participants meet weekly and ensure the gardens are weeded and maintained. They also spread the mulch each spring throughout the property's flowerbeds. She is soliciting donations to help feed the students as well as supplies. She tabled her request to get reimbursed for the garden hose she purchased. Trustees offered to split the cost of the mulch 3 ways. Mr. Corder requested better communication between the JR. Garden Club and the Trustees.

Mr. Matt Mussleman stated he checked with the Pickaway County Recorder's office and the Solar Amendments have not been submitted. He wanted to know why it has not been submitted? Mr. McNeal said he would follow through and see what needs to be done to ensure it is recorded.

Ms. Jessica Hammond stated the ditch on Creamer Rd is flooding. Mr. Ohnweyer and the trustees looked at topography images and feel they need more images to make a better recommendation. He will contact the ^{ODOT} county to take a look at the culvert. Ms. Hammond asked if putting a ditch on her and the other residents side of the road would be an option. The trustees stated this would be a commissioner's decision.

Mr. Brian Hill from P3 introduced himself, shared the purpose of P3 and information about upcoming AG meetings throughout the county. He invited residents to attend.

Mr. McNeal made a motion to enter into executive session at 8:36 pm. It was seconded by Mr. Brungarth. A roll call vote followed: Mr. Corder, Yes. Mr. Brungarth, Yes Mr. McNeal, Yes. Motion carried.

Let the record reflect that all trustees, fiscal officer returned to open session at 9:47 pm. No action was taken during the executive session.

*Warrants: 21451-21474
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Regular meeting adjourned at 9:48 pm by Mr. Brungarth.

Approved this 6 day of April, 2026,

Fiscal Officer: *Jama Cobb* Chairman *James M. Corder*