



**Bethel Township Board of Trustees**  
**September 30, 2025 6:00 PM**  
**Workshop Meeting Agenda**

**CALL TO ORDER** Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Presiding: \_\_\_\_\_  
Roll call: Administrator Smith: \_\_\_\_\_ Fire Chief Cahill: \_\_\_\_\_ Fiscal Officer Ross: \_\_\_\_\_  
Trustee vanHaaren: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Reese: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Dick: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant to the Fiscal Officer Fortunato: \_\_\_\_\_

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** on items on the Agenda

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***Administration***

1. None

***Zoning***

2. ZC resignation
3. Brandt Boat & RV Storage non-compliance with zoning regulations

***Fire/EMS***

4. Reimbursement to employees for background checks

***Road Dept/Cemeteries***

5. None

***Fiscal Office***

6. **RESOLUTION #25-09-080:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2026 OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES ALONG WITH THE TAX YEAR 2025 RATES AND AMOUNTS CERTIFICATION FROM THE MIAMI COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION

Motioned by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Trustee Dick: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee vanHaaren: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Reese: \_\_\_\_\_

***Trustee Items***

7. Group home moratorium
8. Date for special meeting and public hearing for zoning cases ZA-06-25 and ZA-07-25

**OLD BUSINESS:**

***Administration***

1. Cybersecurity policy
2. Budget – 5 year plan
3. Inventory

***Zoning***

4. GIS updates
5. Updates to zoning resolution text
6. Engaging outside attorney to handle a couple of nuisance cases
7. Offering zoning compliance for legacy zoning/spot zoning

***Fire/EMS***

8. Training program for new recruits

9. Expired helmets – waiting on County prosecutor for waiver
10. Surplus equipment sales – list is prepared, will combine with road dept surplus
11. Fire Dept discussion with Elizabeth Twp

#### **Road Dept/Cemeteries**

12. Scarff Rd sink hole – obtain quotes
13. Wiley Industrial Park storm sewer system – obtain quotes
14. Eastland Dr. stolen speed bumps – reported to Sheriff
15. Fence at West Charleston & Bethel West cemeteries
16. National Pavement Analysis
17. Tractor and side mower – obtain additional quotes
18. Semi-trailer parking issues in Wiley Industrial Park in right of ways
19. Surplus equipment sales – old mowers – will work with Fire Dept to create a complete list
20. Friendship Park digital mapping

#### **Fiscal Office**

21. None

#### **Trustee Items**

22. Short-term rental lodging tax
23. Meeting room / shelter
24. House Bill 113 – amend ORC regarding annexation and add section 3311.222
  - a. Introduced Feb 18, 2025, refer to committee Feb 26, 2025
  - b. Proponent testimony provided April 30, 2025.
  - c. Opponent testimony provided June 11, 2025.
25. Position for an anti-annexation employee – no new news
26. Trustee goals and objectives – no new news
27. Review/update our Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual – no updates at this time

#### **OTHER DISCUSSION TOPICS:**

1. None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS on any topic**

#### **MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, provided that both of the following conditions apply:

(a) The information is directly related to a request for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered under any provision of Chapter 715., 725., 1724., or 1728. or sections 701.07, 3735.67 to 3735.70, 5709.40 to 5709.43, 5709.61 to 5709.69, 5709.73 to 5709.75, or 5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Revised Code, or that involves public infrastructure improvements or the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project.

(b) A unanimous quorum of the public body determines, by a roll call vote, that the executive session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or the possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project.

If a public body holds an executive session to consider any of the matters listed in divisions (G)(2) to (8) of this section, the motion and vote to hold that executive session shall state which one or more of the approved matters listed in those divisions are to be considered at the executive session.

Motion to enter executive session, which is necessary to consider negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance.

Motioned by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Trustee Dick: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee vanHaaren: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Reese: \_\_\_\_\_

Time in Executive Session: \_\_\_\_\_  
Return to regular session time: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADJOURNMENT** motioned by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote: Trustee Dick: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee vanHaaren: \_\_\_\_\_ Trustee Reese: \_\_\_\_\_  
Time: \_\_\_\_\_



**RESOLUTION #25-09-080**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2026 OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES  
ALONG WITH THE TAX YEAR 2025 RATES AND AMOUNTS CERTIFICATION  
FROM THE MIAMI COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION**

The Bethel Township Board of Trustees, Bethel Township, Miami County, Ohio met in special session on the 30th day of September, 2025 with the following Trustees being present: Kama Dick, Julie Reese, and Beth vanHaaren.

Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ **moved for the adoption** of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Miami County Budget Commission has presented the Fiscal Officer of Bethel Township, Miami County the 2026 Official Certificate of Estimated Resources and the tax year 2025 Rates and Amounts Certification; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of Bethel Township, Miami County are requested to approve the 2026 Official Certificate of Estimated Resources and the tax year 2025 Rates and Amounts Certification from the Miami County Budget Commission. **THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Trustees of Bethel Township, Miami County that the 2026 Official Certificate of Estimated Resources and the tax year 2025 Rates and Amounts Certification from the Miami County Budget Commission be approved.

Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ **seconded** the motion and the Board voted as follows upon roll call:

<b>Vote:</b>	Trustee Kama Dick	_____	_____
	Trustee Julie Reese	_____	_____
	Trustee Beth vanHaaren	_____	_____

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Rhonda Ross, Fiscal Officer  
Bethel Township, Miami County, Ohio

**OFFICE OF THE MIAMI COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION**

To the Board of Trustees:

The Miami County Budget Commission hereby certifies the following rates of tax to be levied in the **BETHEL TOWNSHIP** for township purposes on the general duplicates of **2025**. Rates are subject to any additional levies approved by vote.

<u>FUND</u>	<u>MILLS</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
<b>Ten Mill Limitation:</b>		
General Fund	.20	\$ 39,682.57
Road/Bridge	.70	138,249.55
Health	.20	39,682.57
<b>No Limitation:</b>		
General – Exp TY'27	3.80	753,578.12
Fire Levy - Cont	1.50	203,756.29
Fire Levy - Exp TY'26	4.90	774,161.08
Police Levy - Cont	1.00	172,487.68

Please examine the above rates carefully. If there are questions, information in detail may be secured from the County Auditor.

Approved: AUG 21 2025

Matthew W. Gearhardt  
MATTHEW W. GEARHARDT, SECRETARY

Paul M. Watkins  
PAUL M. WATKINS, PRESIDENT  
Jim Stubbs  
JIM STUBBS, MEMBER

[MIAMI COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION]

**TO THE MIAMI COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION:**

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of **BETHEL TOWNSHIP** held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, a motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, that the rates of tax as determined by the Miami County Budget Commission for the year **2025** be accepted.

The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ with the following vote being recorded:

\_\_\_\_\_  
President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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