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Minutes of New Russia Township Regular Meeting

HELD **June 2, 2026**

Chairman, Scott Justin, called the June 2, 2026 Regular Meeting to order @ 6:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees: Cynthia Breda, Scott Justin, Michelle Tyner were present, as well as Fiscal Officer, Lisa Akers. Staff and Public: Justin Mott, Barbara Tamas, Deputy Plemons, DeAnna & Nick King, Don Case, Judy Walker, Jay Roman, Devin Roman, Kim Polen, Charlie McKinley II, Brittany Castillo Morales, Sharon Mickelson, Andrea Barlow, Tara Henes, Steve & Diane Jackson, Erin Mason, Bill Doane, Geoffrey Kudlo

Motion to Approve 2027 Budget

Motion was made by Scott Justin to approve the 2027 Budget as presented, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Scott Justin—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye.
MOTION CARRIED **2026-06-413**

Motion to Approve May 19, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Scott Justin to approve the May 19, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Scott Justin—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** **2026-06-414**

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The Financial and Investment Reports were reviewed and found in order.

Motion to Approve Warrants

Motion was made by Scott Justin to approve Warrants totaling $96,710.44, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Scott Justin—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye.
MOTION CARRIED **2026-06-415**

Motion to Approve Additional Warrant

Motion was made by Scott Justin to approve an additional Warrant #37411 to Tracey Weller in the amount of $450.00, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Scott Justin—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye.
MOTION CARRIED **2026-06-416**

Fiscal Officer reminded Trustees since there will only be one meeting a month in June, July, August, she will send a text when bills are paid later each month and warrants need signed. Payments will be officially approved at the next scheduled meeting following signature.

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PUBLIC CONCERNS AND REQUESTS

Kim Polen: -How does soliciting permits work in NRT. There has been kids on segways going door-to-door selling pesticides. They have nothing with them, ie, no business cards or any form of identification which is bothersome. How can this be fixed or changed? This needs to be looked at in the future regarding permitting solicitors. *Deputy Plemons stated this has been reported in various areas.*
-Inquired if there are updates from any topics discussed at past meetings?

James Roman: -Inquired if there is an update on ditch cleaning? *Trustee Tyner stated letters are being mailed to property owners and Mr. Romancak is requesting a meeting with owners for discussion and possible signing of easement.*

Bill Doane: -Would like suggestions on how to put pressure on County in order to get repairs made to the Dudley Ditch? He has dealt with 25 years of drainage issues with no resolve. Mr. Romancak will no longer answer emails sent to him. *Trustee Tyner stated she will add to the list of concerns and will speak to Mr. Romancak at the next Lorain County Township Association meeting.*

Kim Polen: -Has there been any discussion regarding the Zoning Board of Commission getting things moving? She is concerned about how the ZBC operates or how it does not operate. *Trustee Tyner stated the moratorium has been written. She would like to create a study group regarding impact of data centers on the community and how to proceed with ZBC to make changes to Zoning. The moratorium is for six (6) months with the ability to extend if needed. The Zoning Board of Commission has to go thru their process for changes and then to the Board of Trustees for their process.*
-Has an alternate been determined for the ZBC yet? *Trustee Tyner stated "not yet", if interested send an email.*

Andrea Barlow: -She has concerns that Mr. Griner will not follow thru with process.

James Roman: -Any updates from the developer. *Trustee Tyner stated she met with developer two weeks ago and has another meeting on June 13, 2026. They are willing to take data centers off table.*

Kim Polen: -Asked Geoff Kudlo if the ZBC voted regarding email comments? *Mr. Kudlo stated they are expected to vote on 7/12/2026.*

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STAFF REPORTS

Deputy Plemons: ***Calls for Service***

-April 28th, 45000 block of Parsons Rd., reference a unwanted persons/harassment complaint.
-April 29th, 43000 block of Oberlin Elyria Rd., reference a suspicious male who came to a home and claimed to be a "traveling exorcist from the Roman Church". This male had left prior to deputies arrival.
-April 29th, 43000 block of Oberlin Elyria Rd., reference a child custody complaint.
-May 4th, 12000 block of Quarry Rd., reference a trespassing complaint.
-May 4th, 45000 block of Butternut Ridge Rd., reference a violent patient who was attacking other patients and staff. Deputies responded and this subject was transported to the hospital for evaluation.
-May 6th thru the 9th, reference checking a barking dog complaint from the Hale Rd area which was not substantiated.
-May 11th, 12000 block of Quarry Rd., reference a complaint of someone revving an engine past 9 pm. Deputies responded to and determined it was a person hauling dirt with a bull dozer.
-May 12th, Deputies assisted a person who got their vehicle stuck in a yard in the 45000 block of Parsons Rd., while picking up a Facebook Marketplace item.
-May 13th, 14000 block of RT.58, reference a 911 call from an unknown female threatening to jump off a bridge. Deputies checked the area and were unable to locate this person who was suspected as being in a car and passing thru the area at the time.
-May 13th, 44000 block of Oberlin Elyria Rd., reference a suspicious vehicle stopped in the road, with a male hanging inside it from the passenger side. Witnesses then said the male then fled into the woods and the car sped off. Neither the car or the person on foot was located afterwards.

Deputy Plemons suggested residents display "NO SOLICITORS" sign at their residence, to help with issue.

Justin Mott: -Park pad completed, benches to be installed soon
-Mowing continues
-Thoughts about replacing Clayton's position? Feels he could keep another person busy. *Trustees will consider posting position on Indeed*
-Cemetery foundation install is a 2 person job, feels we have a better process in place now.
-Ortiz Electric changed light on patio.
-Chipping brush tomorrow

Brittany Castillo Morales: -Does Trustees want flower pots replaced? Flats of flowers would be $192.00 est or hanging baskets $270.00. *Trustees agreed to replace with flats of flowers.*
-Additional footers for Cemetery has been ordered. Reviewed potential customer cost for foundation install. Requested Trustees review packet for future discussion.
-Reviewed Erie Janitorial estimate for additional Lodge cleaning, not included in Lodge cleaning or set-up that Dan does currently.
-Reviewed columbarium restoration estimate.

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Motion to Approve Erie Janitorial Additional Cleaning

Motion was made by Michelle Tyner to approve additional cleaning from Erie Janitorial at a cost of $1,675.00 per month, seconded by Scott Justin. RCV: Michelle Tyner—aye; Scott Justin—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye.

MOTION CARRIED **2026-06-417**

Motion to Approve Columbarium Faceplate Repairs

Motion was made by Scott Justin to approve columbarium faceplate repairs from Teck Monument at a cost of $500.00, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Scott Justin—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye.

MOTION CARRIED **2026-06-418**

Charlie McKinley: -Oberlin Fire Chief is concerned about hangers at the airport and when fire suppression is needed. *Trustee Tyner stated the FAA said it would be up to the commercial building inspector for requirements.*

TRUSTEE BUSINESS

Correspondence were reviewed and found in order.

-Trustee Tyner read in it's entirety the Resolution Placing Moratorium on Data Centers to Allow Zoning Commission to Study and Make Recommendations

Motion to Approve Moratorium

Motion was made by Michelle Tyner to approve the Resolution Placing Moratorium on Data Centers to Allow Zoning Commission to Study and Make Recommendations, seconded by Scott Justin. RCV: Michelle Tyner—aye; Scott Justin—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye.

MOTION CARRIED **2026-06-419**

(See Board Referral File for Original)

Kim Polen: -Inquired why was data centers the only focus? Should have included data center suppliers and all major manufacturing. *Trustee Tyner stated it's a start, see where study leads, this is a conservative moratorium.*

Andrea Barlow: -Matt Dolan admitted at the Public Hearing that a small portion will be a data center on the megasite. Trustees should have included a broader scope. She is shocked the moratorium is only for data centers.

Kim Polen: -Can we put a moratorium on industrial zoning? *Trustee Tyner stated she is not sure, this is all new for communities. This moratorium will give us time to think.*
-Can study include more than data centers? *Trustee Tyner stated, "yes", study can include additional items.*
-Moratorium is narrow in scope and she is worried about what may happen.

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Motion to Enter into Executive Session

Motion was made by Scott Justin to enter into Executive Session at 7:25 pm, for pending litigation, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Scott Justin—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Cynthia Breda—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** **2026-06-420**

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session

Motion was made by Cynthia Breda to adjourn Executive Session at 8:17 pm, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Cynthia Breda—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Scott Justin—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** **2026-06-421**

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Cynthia Breda to adjourn meeting at 8:18 pm, seconded by Michelle Tyner. RCV: Cynthia Breda—aye; Michelle Tyner—aye; Scott Justin—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** **2026-06-422**

AFFIRMED by Scott Justin at July 7, 2026 Regular Meeting

ATTESTED by Lisa Akers at July 7, 2026 Regular Meeting

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