

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
SPECIAL TRUSTEE MEETING MARCH 27, 2026**

The Fairfield Township Trustees held a Special Trustee Meeting Friday, March 27, 2026, at the Administration Building, 6032 Morris Road, Fairfield Township, OH 45011, for conducting Township business. Meeting was called to order by Mr. Berding, Board Chairperson at 8:01 AM.

**Motion** made by Mr. Berding, second by Mr. McAbee to appoint Chuck Goins as clerk pro tem.  
All in favor.

**ROLL CALL:** Chuck Goins, Clerk Pro Tem

Trustee Chairperson, Michael Berding	Present
Trustee Vice Chairperson, Shannon Hartkemeyer	Present
Trustee, Joe McAbee	Present

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**, Mrs. Kim Lapensee

Resolution 26-38 – A Resolution to approve the renovation of the Heroes Park Tennis courts by Gamechanger at a cost not to exceed \$61,356.00 and paid from the general fund. The roll call vote was as follows: Mrs. Hartkemeyer made a motion to approve Resolution #26-31, Mr. Berding seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. McAbee – ‘aye’, Mr. Berding - ‘aye’, and Mrs. Hartkemeyer - ‘aye’. Motion passes.

Mrs. Lapensee stated we’ve been successful in raising money for this project. We’re going to get \$34,000 from ODNR funds, \$25,000.00 from the Community Foundation and \$5,000.00 from Energy Alliances. She stated that we are also working on the secondary project to raise money for the other part of the court. Mr. Goins stated this is a project that the trustees have been talking about for a couple of years. We applied and were successful at receiving Nature Works grant from ODNR. We were rewarded with a portion of what we requested which ended up being \$34,035.00. To reduce the impact to the Township’s budget we were creative in seeking alternative resources for funding. The Fairfield Community Foundation has raised \$25,000 currently to date and that’s dedicated to our portion of the project. Energy Alliance has promised \$5,000.00 for the project. To just keep the project moving we have worked with Community Foundation a little bit more and they’re going to take on, as Administrator Lapensee mentioned, the second phase of the renovation which is right around \$45,000.00. So today is to just give the Administrator permission to move forward with this first phase. It’s not going to be a cost to the township’s funds once these funds are reimbursed. The \$34,000 and the \$25,000.00 are both reimbursable grants that will help fund this project. Those funds will be used to reimburse the township once the project is complete.

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Mr. Berding – So it’s possible to get the Community Foundation money before its 100% complete but the ODNR grant is when it’s 100% complete. When it’s all said and done all the Township dollars will be reimbursed.

**Motion** to move to Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G) (2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding, or the sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property in accordance with section 505.10 of the revised code.

Michael Berding made a motion to go into Executive Session, Mrs. Hartkemeyer seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Berding – ‘aye’, Mrs. Hartkemeyer ‘aye’, and Mr. McAbee – ‘aye’.

Motion passes.

Action may or may not be taken.

President convenes Executive Session at 8:06 AM.

President resumes meeting at 8:16 AM.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Berding	Yes
Mrs. Hartkemeyer	Yes
Mr. McAbee	Yes

No action will be taken at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** made by Mr. Berding, second by Mr. McAbee to adjourn at 8:16 AM. All in favor.

Minutes submitted by:

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Shelly Schultz, Fiscal Officer

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Michael Berding, Trustee Chairperson

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Shannon Hartkemeyer, Trustee Vice-Chairperson

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Joe McAbee, Trustee