

St. Albans Township

PUBLIC HEARING

The June 9th 2026 Public Hearing was called to order by Chairman, Mike Washington.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The purpose of this public hearing is text amendments to the St. Albans Township Zoning Resolution regarding PUD standards as well as the agricultural district Application Z-26-5.

There were no public comments made.

#6/9/26 A Mike Washington made a resolution adopting text amendments to 1302 (C)(7), 1304 (A)(1) and 1704 of the St. Albans Township Zoning Resolution as proposed in application Z-26-5.

2nd by Tad Vanness.

Roll call: Mike Washington -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes, Tad Vanness -yes.

~~Resolution passed.~~

Mike Washington made a motion to adjourn the public hearing.

2nd by Tad Vanness. Roll call: Mike Washington -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes, Tad Vanness -yes.

Public hearing adjourned 6:36 P.M.

The June 9, 2026 meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Mike Washington.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved as read.

The fiscal officer read fund balances to date.

Woody Fox gave the May zoning report. Woody presented trustees a google doc for the month and this will be updated for each month.

He has been watching a property at 4077 Castle Rd. There are several vehicles, commercial trucks, boats and campers being parked there. He believes maybe the property is being rented out for parking. He will be in contact with the owner.

Woody said he rec'd an email from Jacob Brooks wanting the setbacks changed from 35 ft to 20 ft. Woody will let him know he is welcome to come to a zoning commission meeting.

Dave Sapp gave the May road report.

Mary Fitch, Chairperson for the zoning commission said they will be having meetings for type B PUD and type C PUD and would like to invite the trustees to the next meeting to discuss how type C would work in the township.

Mike Washington said the zoning commission would like to become affiliate members with the OTA so they can have access to trainings.

Mike Washington made a motion to approve the cost of 5 affiliate members for OTA membership.

2nd by Randal Almendinger. Roll call: Mike Washington -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes, Tad Vanness -yes. Motion carried.

Randal Almendinger will be taking care of getting them enrolled.

Shackelford Rd. improvements were discussed.

Mike Washington said at the May meeting it was approved to use Bid Express for the 2026 road improvements, however Woody Fox contacted Bid Express and they have changed their fee structure. It was free and now it costs \$2500.00 for an annual subscription for anyone not enrolled by January 1st. We will be going back to a newspaper advertisement.

Woody Fox and Tad Vanness discussed some details for the bid. Tad Vanness would like to have a walk through on June 23rd at 9:00 A.M. at the site, bid advertisement date will be June 16th and bids are due by 7:00 P.M. July 14th and they will be opened at our regular meeting.

Joe Hickey of Jersey Mill rd. said for the bidding process it should be mandatory that contractors attend the bid walk through so they know they job they are bidding on.

Tad Vanness said he has went back and forth on making in mandatory, because if a contractor can't make that date and time they are excluded from the bid, however if it is mandatory then all contractors bidding know exactly what the project is. The more people you have bidding the more competitive it is.

Tad Vanness talked about the box culvert on Legend Lane. Since the township has no road right of way that is a problem from a contractors stand point. The County Engineer has to acquire a section to create a right of way and they need a temporary right of way for vehicles to get through. Tad said he has been monitoring it weekly and it has not gotten any worse in the last week. Tad stated his hands are tied until he gets information needed from the Engineers office.

Mike Washington presented proposals from 3 contractors for the roofing and vinyl siding issues at the firehouse. Proposals from: Lawn/Land Legends, Near Me Roofing and Martin Roofing. Mike will contact each contractor and talk to them about the specifications needed.

Tad Vanness said the deeds are done for Maple Grove Cemetery and the dumpster from Waste Management has been removed.

Tad said they will be calling around to neighboring communities to get up to date pricing info for cemetery plots, etc and that information will be put on the website. Tad also mentioned putting new signage at the entrance to include contact information.

Mike Theisen gave the May Fire and EMS report.

Mike reminded trustees that they still have approx. \$100K in gear replacement that needs to happen so he would like trustees to be thinking about which direction they want things to go with the dept.

Mike Washington said the Fritz Drumm park transfer has hit a brick wall. Nothing has moved forward so Mike will be reaching out to Jenny Wells to push hard to move it along.

Mike Washington talked about purchasing a vehicle for the road dept, a ½ pick up to save the F550.

Tad Vanness said it just doesn't make sense to drive the F550 to do small jobs or drive roads that can be done with a smaller vehicle. It will be a big savings in gas and save the F550 to last longer. He has priced a new basic truck for \$40k -45K. Mike Theisen mentioned possibly looking on Gov Deals or surrounding townships for not a new vehicle but looking at other opportunities.

The fiscal officer is concerned about spending money on a new truck when Shakelford road is falling apart and the bridge on Legend Lane needing replaced or repaired. Both projects being rather pricey.

Trustees and Dave Sapp discussed further.

6/6/26 B Mike Washington made a resolution to advertise the Shackelford Rd. improvement project in the newspaper on June 16th, bids being due by 7:00 P.M. on July 14, 2026 and to be opened at the regular July 14th meeting.

2nd by Tad Vanness. Roll call: Mike Washington -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Resolution passed.

Randal Almendinger talked about Win Waste and a residents tote disappearing and being told by their representative that they were no longer allowed to used personal totes. Randy will be contacting WIN Waste on Wednesday.

Mike Washington presented information from LC Forward, which is a continuation of Frame Work. They are trying to put together a visual plan for Licking County going forward. Mike feels it is important we are all involved in this and concerned if we don't voice what we want in St. Albans Township they are going to try to push things on us. We need to be well represented at these meetings. They are all open to the public.

Tad Vanness said this started in January as the Licking County Comp plan. Tad said this is vitally important and we need to be diligent on this. It is made up of a board of 34 and only 4 are township trustees, with 90% of the property being located in townships.

Mike Washington talked about a couple complaints he has had from a resident regarding Martin Trucking. Mike stated that the township does not have a lot of control over this but he told the resident he would bring it up in a public meeting but the resident needs to handle it at a legal level or EPA level.

Woody Fox said he has also been contacted by the resident regarding this and the EPA needs to be involved. There is nothing he can do to stop them. They are under the old M1 district and are doing nothing wrong. He would need support from the trustees and the Ohio EPA in order to issue them a violation.

David Lees said Martin Trucking is doing nothing wrong and if they go after them they need to go after Brookside as well. He stated Martin Trucking waters and sweeps the road multiple times a day.

Dave Sapp said Martin Trucking has bent over backwards doing everything the township has asked them to do to be in compliance and feels they are doing nothing wrong.

Meeting was adjourned 8:49 P.M.