

Westfield Fire and Rescue District

Regular Meeting
January 19, 2026 @6:30 pm

Meeting location: 6699 Buffham Rd, Seville OH 44273

James Likley called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm

Roll Call: Joseph Doty, James Likley, Kent Patterson

Others in attendance: Julie Carr, Tera Seiwerth, Chief Hall, Asst Chief Young

Moment of prayer

Comments from the floor- none

Chiefs Report- no updates at this time

(First meeting of Month)

Minutes to be approved

Jan. 5 minutes have been reviewed.

Doty made a motion to approve the minutes of January 5, 2026

Patterson seconded the motion.

Roll Call- Doty- aye, Patterson- aye, Likley- aye. Motion passed.

Fiscal Officer Report

Correspondence- received bank statement for fire levy committee. \$113.10 balance is in account. This is the first time receiving this statement. Doty asked who the authorized users are. Seiwerth does not know but will investigate it. Doty is glad we have a landing place for the money raised by any fundraisers in the future.

2026 Permanent Appropriation status- Likley asked what the next steps are to move forward. Seiwerth said she has sent everything to the auditor and is waiting for response of estimated resources and is creating a spreadsheet to show line items for the year.

Outstanding checks to clear- Seiwerth said we have to notify the recipient of the check and give them 30 days to claim. Then they will go to the state for unclaimed funds.

Primary checking status \$12,809.75

Savings status \$100,000.00

Payment listing total \$26,113.02

Doty made a motion to approve the payment listing of \$26,113.02

Patterson seconded the motion.

Roll Call- Doty- aye, Patterson- aye, Likley- aye. Motion passed.

Old Business

Firefighters Dependence Fund Info- we received the property value for the community of service area. Carr created a profile with cfp.com and once the profile is approved it will submit the board members and value of the area.

5 year Budget Plan- this is being worked on by FO Seiwert.

Website discussion from 1/15 special mtg- Shannon Colonna attended this special meeting and discussed what she can provide with updates on the new website. A drafted copy was sent to the trustees where they provided notes and feedback. Doty suggested even looking into the color of the background. This continues to be a work in progress.

New Business

Communication from AP. Nathan Kott- regarding the solid waste policy on what we can and cannot get funding for. An email from Kott was sent Jan 2nd to the trustees. A transfer facility was identified for funding. Likley went and talked to Barb Walters from the Solid Waste District, where she said we can bill them for fire calls. Likley followed up with the fire chief and asked how many calls since 2023- 13 calls. He was later told by Steve Hambley (Medina County Commissioners) that we could not charge/bill them. Doty followed up with Steve Hambley, and Doty feels the information provided to him wasn't correct as the information came from a consultant. He asked about the five year plan of the solid waste district and if we are going to get any funding it will be pursuant to that plan. Doty explained this is his opinion. On Feb 5th a draft will be worked on by the Solid Waste District. Then this can be reviewed by the Trustees. He will look at statutes that pertain to Ohio Revised Code 3734.57 (G)(11). He is unsure what funds we are getting at this time, but that Patterson and Doty will be advocating for the township. Doty is aware they are representing all townships on this board. Patterson shared that the only two townships impacted by this are Liverpool and Westfield Townships. Doty said we will have plenty of opportunities to make sure that in the new plan created by the Solid Waste District that townships are represented to receive funding.

Chief Hall drafted a letter, dated January 12th, offering his suggestion on cost recovery forms. He also explained the billing and prices if the fire department was called to the Solid Waste District. The board reviewed and added that pricing can be amended. Likley will discuss pricing more with the Chief. The board discussed previous calls and time spent on those calls.

Doty made a motion to approve the cost recovery form for direct billing.

Patterson seconded the motion.

Roll Call- Doty- aye, Patterson- aye, Likley- aye. Motion passed.

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Resolution 2026-07 to the Solid Waste District- WHEREAS The Trustees to Westfield Fire and Rescue District in compliance with ORC Section 3734.57 (G) (11) hereby request financial assistance for mitigating impacts to public health, safety, and welfare of solid waste disposal or transfer facilities within Westfield Township.

Likley made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-07.

Doty seconded the motion.

Roll Call- Doty- aye, Patterson- aye, Likley- aye. Motion passed.

Comments from the floor- none

Announcements

Feb. 2 @ 6:30pm regular meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

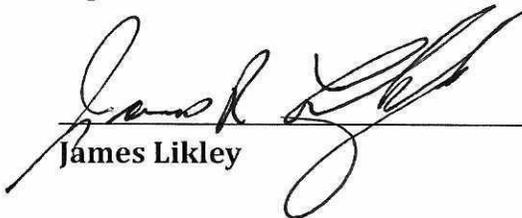
Likley made a motion to adjourn at 7:12pm

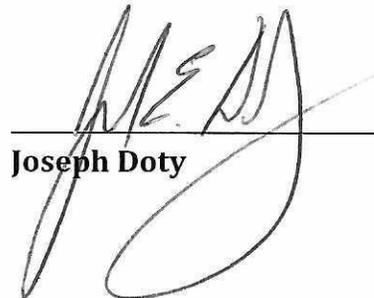
Doty seconded the motion.

Roll Call- Doty- aye, Patterson- aye, Likley- aye. Motion passed.

Minutes prepared by Township Administrator, Julie Carr.

Signed:


James Likley


Joseph Doty


Kent Patterson

Date Approved 2/2/2024