

Regular Meeting
September 21, 2026 @6:30 pm

Meeting location: 6699 Buffham Rd, Seville OH 44273

James Likley called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Roll Call: James Likley, Kent Patterson, Joseph Doty
Others in attendance: Julie Carr, Tera Seiwerth

Moment of prayer and reflection

Comments from the floor- Rick Robbs and Greg Oaks asked about the joint district levy campaign committee having a designated area to campaign during the Village bicentennial event. The levy committee proposed area is a church yard who has granted permission for this. The village has a designated area in front of old fire station for this purpose. The village representatives shared their concern about the proposed location in the village. Joe Doty asked why this is an issue and wants to look into their concerns. Robbs said his concern is that it's a joint fire district and this is happening in the village. Likley added that no funding is being contributed by the village or the township for the levy committee. Likley added that he understands their concerns and stressed that this is set up on private property with permission. Greg asked the committee to not set up there. Doty said he would address the concerns with the other members of the levy committee.

Chiefs Report- Not at meeting- only attends first meeting of the month.

No missed calls for service.

Minutes to be approved

September 8, 2026 minutes have been reviewed.

Doty made a motion to approve the minutes of Sept 8, 2026

Patterson seconded the motion.

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

Fiscal Officer Report, Tera Seiwerth (FO)

No new correspondence.

No updates from the IRS.

Financial Reports

Checking balance: \$71,684.38

Saving Acct balance: \$100,487.97

Bills/Warrants- \$44,273.14

Doty made a motion to approve the payment listing of \$44,273.14

Patterson seconded the motion.

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

Doty made a motion to approve the contract with Medina County

Sheriff's Department for 2026, 27, 28 dispatch fees.

Patterson seconded the motion.

This is to be paid out of the Westfield Fire and Rescue District budget.

Discussion: Doty shared he reviewed the contract and the township trustees feel that this should be paid for out of fire department budget. He added that you cannot pay for any part of this out of the road and bridge funds. You should also not be using the township general fund to pay for these expenses. He shared his concerns that this is how it was done in the past and that going forward it needs to be done correctly out of the fire department budget. Patterson said he placed a lot of trust in the Fiscal Officer and while it made sense at the time. Tera added that in 2022 the dispatch fees were paid out of the fire department budget.

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

Old Business

Phone service- Verizon and AT&T have sent in the quote. Doty reviewed the devices used by the fire department. He reviewed the quotes from First Net/AT&T- \$116.98 would be the monthly cost. \$1,051 is the upfront cost with a refund.

FrontLine/Verizon's cost would be \$133.98 as a monthly cost. \$244 is the upfront cost. Doty reviewed the perks of each plan with new devices, cases for devices, and the one-time fees involved with each. 3 ipads and 2 cell phones are quoted for each plan.

Trustees discussed the current plan. The new quotes will be saving money.

Doty made a motion to enter into a contract with Verizon Business, at \$133.98 for a three-year contract for devices and cellphone services.

Likley seconded the motion.

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

New Business

Announcements

Oct 5, 2026 6:30 pm regular meeting.

Sept 24th at 7:00 pm at the fire station to recognize past and current members of the fire station.

Comments from the floor- none

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Executive Session- none

Motion to adjourn at 7:30pm. Likley made motion to adjourn. Doty seconded.

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

Meeting minutes prepared by Julie Carr.

James Likley

Kent Patterson

Joseph Doty

Date Approved