Huntington Township Special Meeting
June 15th, 2026

President John Cottrill called the June 15th, 2026, Special Meeting to order at 6:00 pm at the Fire House.

Roll Call:	John Cottrill	Present
	Blake Kellough	Present
	Bud Lytle	Present

The pledge of allegiance was then recited.

Motion by John Cottrill, second by Bud Lytle to approve May payments.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

President Cottrill then discussed the idea of having a company called Diesel Direct do all of the Twp's fuel servicing instead of RJ Wright, who we currently use. Cottrill went on to mention that Diesel Direct would replace the Twp's fuel tanks as well; no decision was made.

Cottrill then mentioned the idea of chip and sealing Skiver Road at a price of between $45,000-$50,000 a mile; the other trustees discussed it further, and decided to bid it out.

Motion by Bud Lytle, second by Blake Kellough to accept bids for the chip and seal of Skiver road until July 9th at 4:30 pm.

Vote:	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes

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Next Cottrill discussed the purpose of a resolution, and read/explained the resolution he'd drafted in appreciation to the Blue Ribbon 4-H Club for all of their work putting flags at on graves at the township cemeteries for memorial day.

Motion by John Cottrill, second by Bud Lytle to approve the resolution commending the Blue Ribbon 4-H Club for their work at the Township cemeteries.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Cottrill then spoke about recent vandalism at Floral Hills, where someone stole/damaged 77 vases. He said that our insurance policy will cover up to $10,000 worth of damage at the cemetery, and mentioned that the Twp is in the process of filing a claim. Lytle gave kudos to Cottrill and Jeremy Cochenour for their work at Floral Hills, and next spoke about the possibility of getting a new piece of equipment for Floral Hills to aid with the work, but no decision was made.

Motion by John Cottrill, second by Bud Lytle to accept the contract termination given to the Board from Guardian Vault for services at Floral Hills, effective immediately.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Cottrill next mentioned that the Twp still has not received the deed for FH cemetery, and Lytle added that he would follow up with Assistant Prosecutor Chase Carter about the issue.

Haines mentioned that he'd heard back from the Auditor's office about the 1 mil renewal levy, and that the Auditor's office projected that it will bring in $85,079 annually.

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Motion by Bud Lytle, second by Blake Kellough to authorize the 1 mil renewal tax levy, projected to bring in $85,079 annually.

Vote:	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes

Motion by Bud Lytle, second by John Cottrill to reschedule the July Regular Meeting for July 10th at 7pm.

Vote:	Bud Lytle	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Motion by Blake Kellough, second by John Cottrill to set the 2027 budget hearing for July 10th at 5:30 pm.

Vote:	Blake Kellough	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes

Resident Brett Clark then addressed the board on behalf of another resident that could not make it to the meeting; Clark asked the board about the process of getting a driveway culvert installed along a township road. The Trustees stated that if the resident buys the culvert, the township will install it for them.

Chief Depugh then addressed the board, mentioning that 916 (squad) was involved in a minor accident near the school, and that the FD was at fault. He then went on to explain that runs are down, and that they have the new FD cell phone, so that Haines can go ahead and work on switching the phone services from GloFiber to T-Mobile. He continued on to present the board with several purchase requestions including $150 from convenient pest control, 2 phones + service through T-

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Mobile for $55.76 per month, an Ice maker and brooms for $333.98 (broom cost to be split with FD and RB funds), two reimbursable fire transition classes for $2,102 (total), Uline table top impulse sealer $210, Arrowhead Forensics for evidence collection $242.14. He continued to propose that the board approve 5 new sets of turnout gear for $24,895 from Citizens First Fire Training.

Motion by John Cottrill, second by Bud Lytle to approve the purchase of five sets of new turnout gear from Citizens First Fire Training for $24,895.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Motion by John Cottrill, second by Blake Kellough to approve the presented purchase requisitions totaling $3,457.06.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes

Cottrill then brought up the nuisance property on 772, and Lytle said that there's a "Mosquito Grant" through the Ross County Health District that should cover our costs. The Trustees confirmed that this cleanup will in no way set a precedent, and Cottrill added that he is ready to take action on the issue.

Haines and Cottrill discussed that they feel we are overpaying Rumpke for trash services at Floral Hills, the FD, and the RB; both citing attempts to have the Rumpke bill lowered that proved unsuccessful. Both mentioned that they would look for other quotes in search of a company that would charge less.

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Haines then gave an update on the tractor/mower loan, mentioning that he'd closed on the loan at the bank on the previous Friday and that the process was now completed.

Motion by Bud Lytle, second by John Cottrill to approve the addition of two phones with service to the FD's T-Mobile plan for a total of $55.76 per month.

Vote:	Bud Lytle	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Haines next went over and explained the reallocations he'd made since the last meeting.

Motion by John Cottrill, second by Blake Kellough to approve the reallocations made by Haines.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes

Haines then explained a $5,000 supplemental reallocation he'd made since the last meeting.

Motion by Bud Lytle, second by John Cottrill to approve the supplemental reallocation made by Haines.

Vote:	Bud Lytle	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

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Motion by John Cottrill, second by Bud Lytle to go into executive session for personnel matters at 7:43 pm.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Motion by John Cottrill, second by Bud Lytle to resume the meeting from executive session at 8:12 pm.

Vote:	John Cottrill	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Motion by Bud Lytle, second by John Cottrill to hire Zachary Baldy to the FD part-time crew as an EMT-B/FF2.

Vote:	Bud Lytle	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

Motion by Blake Kellough, second by Bud Lytle to hire Ryan McCann to the full-time crew as a Paramedic/FF2/Investigator beginning 6/22.

Vote:	Blake Kellough	Yes
	Bud Lytle	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes

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Motion by Bud Lytle, second by John Cottrill to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 pm.

Vote:	Bud Lytle	Yes
	John Cottrill	Yes
	Blake Kellough	Yes

ATTESTED:

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President

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Vice President

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Trustee

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Fiscal Officer