

**OXFORD TOWNSHIP, SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA  
OCTOBER 29, 2025**

**9 AM**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Leber

Trustees Leber, Miller, and Parker were present.

Residents Miriam and Don Tommas, and Tim Dunlap were present. Also, Perkins Township Trustees Jim Lang, Jim Ommert, and Perkins Township Administrator Gary Boyle and Perkins Township Fire Chief Dave Murphy.

The chairmanship of the meeting was yielded to Mr. Parker by Mr. Leber for the purpose of conducting this meeting as Mr. Parker had been previously nominated by the Board to research the feasibility of an EMS contact with Perkins Township. Mr. Parker led with opening remarks for those present of the current state of EMS with Fisher-Titus Chief Operating Officer proposing to either form an EM district or re-negotiate contracts. Either way, as proposed by Fisher-Titus, payments to North Central EMS would result in an increase from current \$17,389 in 2025 to \$72,340. At the meeting of October 15, 2025, Trustees considered the cost, response times, and other service complaints in deciding to pursue an option of service being provided by Perkins Township. Therefore, the meeting purpose was to review a proposal from Perkins Township & discuss potential contract details for EMS services with Perkins Township officials.

Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Tommas posed a concern with response time due to railroad crossing blockages. Chief Murphy described that dispatch directions would be based on location of request and that Perkins could respond via Kelley Rd. or US 250 underpass routes for locations south of the railroad. He stated he had personally run response times at normal legal speeds and stops to various locations in the townships. His maximum time on these trial runs was around 13 minutes.

Also discussed were response times from the new station to be completed on Woodlawn Ave. Chief Murphy stated 25-30 seconds additional time could be expected versus the current stations' locations. It was noted that Perkins has 20 full-time paramedics on staff and 3 squads. Mutual aid is available with Margaretta and Huron Townships who also have paramedics. Groton Twp. and Milan Twp. EMT's can also be called to assist, but only paramedics can transport.

Trustees proceeded in reviewing the proposed rate basis from Chief Murphy with Chief Murphy and Administrator Boyle and an agreement of an annual payment of \$45,000 with a 3% annual increase was agreed upon. It was noted that Oxford Twp. residents would be "soft billed" for services like Perkins Twp. residents, as required by law. Which means that Perkins will attempt to collect from residents' insurance. If no insurance payment is made, residents will not be responsible for any payment.

A proposed draft contract submitted by Mr. Parker for an agreement for EMS with Perkins was then reviewed with the above rates included because of the above discussion. The draft contract is tentative and would be effective January 1, 2026, pending approval of both Boards after review and input by the Erie County Prosecutor and agreement by Fisher-Titus to terminate the contract December 31, 2025.

Motion: Mr. Miller moved to approve a resolution, second by Mr. Parker, all voted in favor of proceeding with finalization of a draft EMS Ambulance agreement with Perkins Township:

**Resolution 2025-10-29-1**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Oxford Township Trustees in Special Session open to the public October 29, 2025 at 9 AM has reviewed and developed with the Perkins Township Administrator and Fire Chief a draft document for Perkins Township to provide an Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Ambulance Service Agreement (“Agreement”),

“**WHEREAS**, the Oxford Township Trustees consider the services and rates proposed in the draft Agreement are reasonable and acceptable,

**WHEREAS**, it is recognized that the implementation date of the contract is dependent on the termination of the current EMS Ambulance contract with the current provider,

**WHEREAS**, the details of the draft Agreement will be submitted for legal review by the Erie County Prosecutor (“Counsel”) for both townships,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Oxford Township Trustees agree to submitting the draft Agreement to Counsel for the purpose of finalizing the Agreement with the Board of Trustee of Perkins Township,

**DULY ADOPTED**, this 29thday of October 2025, by the Oxford Township Board of Trustees, Erie County Ohio in lawful session duly assembled.”

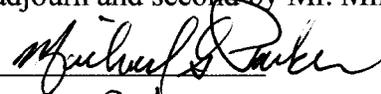
Motion: Mr. Miller moved, and Mr. Leber provided a second, all voted in favor of Mr. Leber contacting Mr. Mattner and initiating termination of the current agreement with North central EMS effective December 31, 22025, if possible.

Mr. Parker yielded the chair to Mr. Leber.

Mr. Leber requested final comments, and the Board of Trustees thanked residents for their attendance and expressed gratitude to Perkins Township officials for their cooperation.

Mr. Leber requested a motion to adjourn and second by Mr. Miller. Meeting adjourned at 0945.

Submitted by Michael G. Parker



Approved by Scott Leber

