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The Granger Township Board of Trustees met in Special Session on Monday, October 27, 2025, at 6:00 PM at the Granger Township Administration Building, 3717 Ridge Road. In attendance were Trustees: Richard L. Pace, Chair, John H. Ginley, Jr., Vice Chair, and Teri A. Berry and Fiscal Officer Donald L. Baker.

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to Discuss 2026 Appropriations.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Pace.

REVIEW OF 2026 APPROPRIATIONS: Mr. Baker commented that many of the proposed amounts are constant from previous years. Additionally, the Board was reminded of discussions that occurred at the meetings of October 13th and 20th. He then reviewed several reports (on-file with the Fiscal Officer). He offered the following additional comments regarding proposed 2026 Appropriations:

- 1. Estimated Amounts Available were calculated by reviewing the current Fund Balance, estimating additional receipts and projected expenditures for the remainder of 2025 and anticipated property taxes and other sources from the 2026 Official Certificate of Estimated Resources.
- 2. Salaries were increased by five percent; however, the Board will set actual increases at a future meeting. This also affected OPERS, Social Security and Medicare calculations. The Trustees and Fiscal Officer salaries are established by the ORC.
- 3. Most utilities were maintained at the same level as the current year.
- 4. Within the Road Funds Road, repairs were increased to \$400,000.00 and the OPWC match was decreased to \$40,000.00 after additional discussion with Service Director Mark Novak. Within the Capital Accounts \$200,000.00 was allocated for a new Salt Dome and \$130,000.00 was budgeted within the Equipment Reserves.
- 5. Within the Fire Funds all of the proposed "operating" appropriations were scheduled. Capital Appropriations include \$1million for a new truck.
- 6. The General Fund was discussed. Mr. Baker noted an error on the worksheet Communications, Print and Water and Sewer line items—both should be \$500.00 each not \$5,000.00 each.
- 7. Mr. Novak has suggested \$100,000.00 be allocated for septic repairs. Mr. Baker also suggested \$50,000.00 be allocated for miscellaneous repairs within the General Fund.
- 8. The Cemetery fund may appear to have a low estimated carryover, but it needs to be remembered there is a capital expenditure scheduled that will likely not be realized.

Mr. Baker then reviewed the Fund Summary Report noting estimated ending fund balances for 2025 and 2026 are likely on the low side because receipts and expenditures were conservatively estimated.

It was the consensus of the Board that further refinement will be necessary before 2026 Permanent Appropriations can be adopted.

Mr. Baker then requested the Board adopt Temporary Appropriations of \$1,495,000.00 at the Regular Meeting of October 27, 2025.

With no further business to discuss a MOTION was set forth and moved for adjournment.

We, the Granger Township Board of Trustees do hereby certify the foregoing Minutes to be a true and correct copy of the proceedings before this Board at its Special Meeting on Monday, October 27, 2025.

Richard L. Pace, Trustee Chairperson

Teri A. Berry, Trustee

John H. Ginley, Jr, Trustee Vice Chairperson

Donald L. Baker, Fiscal Officer