

**PIERCE TOWNSHIP, CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO
EMERGENCY RESOLUTION # 2025-007**

Whereas, Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio has been or is immediately threatened by a natural hazard and that on April 5, 2025, Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio was above flood stage which left significant portions of Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio with property damage, road closures due to debris, endangering lives and property of the residents of Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio.

Now, therefore, we the Board of Trustees of Pierce Township, declare that a state of emergency exists in Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Ohio Revised Code that are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this Emergency Resolution # 2025-007, to be in full force and effect in Pierce Township for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of the people of Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption.

Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances and resolutions, and particularly to Section 5502 and 505.82 of the Ohio Revised Code, including Attachment A illustrating emergency powers granted.

All public officials and employees of Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives--state and local. The Township Administrator and his designees have the authority to sign any necessary documents and agreements to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster service forces in executing emergency operation plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.

All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the Emergency Operations Center.

The period of the resolution shall extend until Wednesday April 9th, 2025 at 0000 hours.

In witness, whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this 5th day of April, 2025.

Trustee Freeman moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution, being seconded by

Trustee Kambelos. Upon roll call, the following vote resulted:

Allen M. Freeman: yea

Peter J. Kambelos: yea

Nicholas J. Kelly: yea



Nicholas J. Kelly, Chair

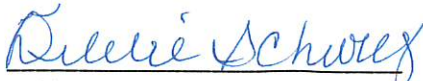


Allen M. Freeman



Peter J. Kambelos

Attest:



Debbie S. Schwey, Fiscal Officer

Attachment A

Emergency Powers Granted to Township Staff During an Emergency Declaration (ORC 5502)

Power/Action	Description
Emergency Procurement Authority	Staff may bypass normal bidding and purchasing procedures to obtain goods and services necessary for immediate response (e.g., barricades, fuel).
Mobilize Township Resources	Township Administrator, Fire Chief, and Public Works officials may mobilize personnel, equipment, and facilities without prior Board approval.
Restrict Access to Hazard Areas	Road closures, curfews, and restricted access may be implemented in collaboration with law enforcement and fire services.
Coordinate with County/State/Federal EMA	Staff may request aid or resources (equipment, personnel, funding) from the Clermont County EMA, Ohio EMA, or FEMA through the established channels.
Temporary Suspension of Non-Essential Services	Township may reprioritize operations and suspend non-critical services to focus resources on emergency response and recovery.
Activate Mutual Aid Agreements	Township personnel may engage mutual aid partners (other townships or municipalities) without additional board action during the emergency.
Communication Authority	Township Administrator, Fire Chief, or designated PIO (Public Information Officer) may issue public statements and emergency alerts.
Expense Tracking for Reimbursement	Staff must maintain clear documentation of emergency expenditures for potential state or FEMA reimbursement.