

AGENDA # N.1
Scio Township Board of Trustees
Authorization to Purchase a Property for Establishment of a Preserve

FOR MEETING DATE OF: November 25, 2025

PREPARED ON: November 19, 2025

PREPARED BY: Kristy Aiken

SUBMITTED BY: Manager

ITEM TYPE: Possible Action

BACKGROUND: The 5 acre property is located in Scio Township and has a mixture of mature and scrub trees. This is the "Arbres Grove" property that was proposed for development by Innovant Group, LLC. The Township Board denied the development and Innovant appealed the denial to the Circuit Court. The Township participated in facilitation and ultimately entered into a Consent Judgment which includes Scio Township purchasing the property for perpetual preservation. The Township is planning to close on this purchase in December.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$1,500,000 split between Fund 232 (Tree Fund), Fund 233 (Open Space Fund), and commitment of Fund 101 (General Fund).

RECOMMENDATION: The Land Preservation Committee recommends approval of funds from the Farmland and Open Space fund to purchase application number 2025-5.

Finance Director will provide recommendation on proposed funding split as soon as recommendation is finalized.

Reviewed by Township Attorney on 11/18/2025.

MODEL MOTION: To adopt Resolution 2025-XX to Amend FYE27 Budget and to Authorize Purchase of Property to Establish a Township Preserve [as discussed and amended].

ATTACHMENTS:

[Entered Consent Judgment.pdf](#)

[2025 Resolution to purchase property case 24 1314 AV.pdf](#)

QUESTION: Shall this Motion be APPROVED?