



ADAM W. FOWLER, P.E., P.S.
FRANKLIN COUNTY ENGINEER

RESOLUTION SUMMARY
VACATION OF UNNAMED ALLEYS
IN ROME MANOR SUBDIVISION

On April 9, 2025, the Prairie Township Board of Trustees filed a petition with the Board of Commissioners requesting the Board to vacate certain unnamed alleys within the Rome Manor Subdivision. The alleys are unimproved.

The Franklin County Engineer has reviewed the petition and has determined it to be valid.

This resolution will set a hearing date of May 20, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. for the consideration of this request.



April 4, 2025


Adam W. Fowler, P.E., P.S.
Franklin County Engineer
Franklin County Engineer's Office
970 Dublin Road
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Engineer Fowler,

On behalf of the Prairie Township Trustees, I am contacting the Franklin County Engineer's Office to initiate the vacation of an alleyway in Prairie Township. At the March 19, 2025 Trustee Meeting, our Board of Trustees approved vacating an undeveloped alleyway between Woodlawn Avenue and Hiler Road, north of Sullivan Avenue and south of Owen Street.

Township does not have any plans for the use of this alleyway, and it is currently undeveloped. We have received complaints that property owners are using this right-of-way for their own use. We would like to move forward with vacating this alleyway to abutting property owners.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any assistance from the Township with this vacation process.

Sincerely,

James Jewell
Township Administrator

Prairie Township
23 Maple Drive / Columbus, OH 43228
phone: (614) 878-3317 / fax: (614) 878-0566

prairietownship.org
Board of Trustees: Rod Pritchard, Cathy Schmelzer, Doug Stormont
Fiscal Officer: Alec Wilam / Township Administrator: James Jewell

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Resolution No. 0303-25

April 29, 2025

Petition filed for the vacation of unnamed alleys located in the Rome Manor Subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio. (Engineer)

WHEREAS, the Prairie Township Board of Trustees has filed a petition with the Board of County Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio, requesting said Board to vacate unnamed alleys located in the Rome Manor Subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio, the general route and termini thereof to be as follows; and

WHEREAS, situated in the State of Ohio, County of Franklin, Township of Prairie; and

WHEREAS, all being of an unimproved unnamed 7.5' alley running in a northerly and southerly direction, east of Woodlawn Avenue and running from Owen Street southerly to the northerly line of Lot 338; and

WHEREAS, the first and second unimproved unnamed 15' alley north of Sullivant Avenue running easterly from Woodlawn Avenue to the west line of a 7.5' unimproved unnamed alley; and

WHEREAS, said lots and unimproved unnamed alleys are delineated and shown in the recorded plat of Rome Manor as recorded in Plat Book 16, page 4, Recorder's Office, Franklin County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the description contained in this document was prepared in the office of the Franklin County Engineer by Ferdinand Anthony Rettke, P.S., Ohio Registered Surveyor No. 8103, from available courthouse records and not an actual field survey; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. That Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., is hereby fixed as the time and date for the final hearing of said petition and proposed vacation in the Commissioners' Hearing Room on the 1st Floor of the Franklin County Judicial Services Building, 369 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

Resolution No. 0303-25

April 29, 2025

Petition filed for the vacation of unnamed alleys located in the Rome Manor Subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio. (Engineer)

2. That the Franklin County Engineer is hereby directed to send notice of the hearing to the abutting property owners on behalf of the Board.

AWF:WFC:nas

Prepared By: Nick A. Soulas, Jr.
c: Engineer



ADAM W. FOWLER, P.E., P.S.
FRANKLIN COUNTY ENGINEER

SIGNATURE SHEET

Resolution No. 0303-25

April 29, 2025

PETITION FILED FOR THE VACATION OF UNNAMED ALLEYS LOCATED IN THE ROME MANOR SUBDIVISION, PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO.

(ENGR - Engineer)

Upon the motion of Commissioner John O'Grady, seconded by Commissioner Erica C. Crawley:

Voting:


Erica C. Crawley, President
John O'Grady
Kevin L. Boyce

Aye
Aye
Absent

Board of County Commissioners
Franklin County, Ohio

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio on the date noted above.


Brittany Razek, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Franklin County, Ohio

RESOLUTION SUMMARY FOR THE VACATION OF UNNAMED ALLEYS IN ROME MANOR SUBDIVISION, PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP

April 9, 2025, the Prairie Township Board of Trustees filed a petition with the Board of Commissioners requesting the Board to vacate certain unnamed alleys within Rome Manor subdivision. The alleys are unimproved.

On April 29, 2025, the Board of Commissioners determined the petition to be valid and set May 20, 2025, as the date for the final hearing of the proposed vacation. The Franklin County Engineer's Office made a survey and plat that are hereby submitted for the vacation of unnamed alleys in Rome Manor subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio, showing the proposed vacation of the following:

Situate in the State of Ohio, County of Franklin, Township of Prairie, and being: all of an unimproved unnamed 7.5' alley running in a northerly and southerly direction, east of Woodlawn Avenue and running from Owen Street southerly to the northerly line of Lot 338; also the first and second unimproved unnamed 15' alley north of Sullivant Avenue running easterly from Woodlawn Avenue to the west line of a 7.5' unimproved unnamed alley; said lots and unimproved unnamed alleys are delineated and shown in the recorded plat of Rome Manor as recorded in Plat Book 16, page 4, Recorder's Office, Franklin County, Ohio.

It is the recommendation of the Franklin County Engineer's Office that the above-described unnamed alleys in Rome Manor subdivision in Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio, be vacated.

Resolution No. 0382-25

May 20, 2025

Prayer of petition to vacate unnamed alleys located in Rome Manor subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio, granted. (Engineer)

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Prairie Township has petitioned for the vacation of unnamed alleys in Rome Manor subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Ohio, by resolution duly adopted, did set this matter for final hearing on this date; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has submitted a report in the manner and form set forth and required by Section 5553.04 of the Ohio Revised Code, which report contained the following description, to-wit:

Situate in the State of Ohio, County of Franklin, Township of Prairie, and being:

All of an unimproved unnamed 7.5' alley running in a northerly and southerly direction, east of Woodlawn Avenue and running from Owen Street southerly to the northerly line of Lot 338; also the first and second unimproved unnamed 15' alley north of Sullivant Avenue running easterly from Woodlawn Avenue to the west line of a 7.5' unimproved unnamed alley; said lots and unimproved unnamed alleys are delineated and shown in the recorded plat of Rome Manor as recorded in Plat Book 16, page 4, Recorder's Office, Franklin County, Ohio.

The description contained in this document was prepared in the office of the Franklin County Engineer by Ferdinand Anthony Rettke, P.S., Ohio Registered Surveyor No. 8103, from available courthouse records and not an actual field survey; and

WHEREAS, no objections to the vacation of the unnamed alleys in Rome Manor subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio were filed, and no claims for compensation or damages on account thereof were filed; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Ohio finds that the utilities now within the said vacation, and the easements granted by the subdividers for utilities are not to be vacated; now, therefore,

Resolution No. 0382-25

May 20, 2025

Prayer of petition to vacate unnamed alleys located in Rome Manor subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio, granted. (Engineer)

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That the unnamed alleys in Rome Manor subdivision, Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio, as described and recommended by the County Engineer in his report and shown on the submitted plat, are hereby declared vacated, excepting however, the utilities that are now within the vacated area and the easements granted by the owners, present or past, for utilities.

AWF:WFC:nas
Prepared By: Nick A. Soulas, Jr.



RESOLUTION NO. 28-25
A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE VACATION OF A
PORTION OF TOWNSHIP ROAD

May 20, 2025

SIGNATURE SHEET

Resolution No. 0382-25

**PRAYER OF PETITION TO VACATE UNNAMED ALLEYS LOCATED IN
ROME MANOR SUBDIVISION, PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN
COUNTY, OHIO, GRANTED.**

(ENGR - Engineer)

Upon the motion of Commissioner John O'Grady, seconded by
Commissioner Kevin L. Boyce:

Voting:

Erica C. Crawley, President
John O'Grady
Kevin L. Boyce

Aye
Aye
Aye

Board of County Commissioners
Franklin County, Ohio

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct
transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County
Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio on the date noted above.

Brittany Razek, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Franklin County, Ohio

WHEREAS, the Prairie Township Board of Trustees (the "Board") may petition the Franklin County Board of Commissioners (the "Commissioners") to vacate some or all of a township road pursuant to the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 5553.045; and

WHEREAS, At the March 19, 2025, Board of Trustee meeting, this Board approved petitioning the Commissioners to vacate an unnamed alley in the Rome Manor Subdivision located within Prairie Township and submitted a vacation letter and approve minutes to the Commissioners for their action; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners held a public hearing on the vacation of the roadway on May 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS, following the public hearing, the Commissioners determined by Resolution No. 0382-25 that the vacation of the roadway would be for the public convenience and/or welfare, and certified that Resolution to this Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it to be in the best interest of the Township to order the roadway vacated as petitioned by the Board and determined by the Commissioners.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees of Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio that the following resolution be, and it hereby is adopted:

RESOLVED, the Board hereby orders the unnamed alley located in the Rome Manor Subdivision as described in the Township and Commissioners' Resolutions identified above, vacated subject to and in accordance with the provisions of R.C. 5553.045, including subsection (E)(1)-(3), as applicable; and

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby appoints, authorizes, and directs the Township Administrator, or his designee, to take any actions necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution; and

RESOLVED, this Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including but not limited to, Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted thereby; and

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

ADOPTED: 28th day of May, 2025

Attest:

**PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
TRUSTEES, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

Alec Milam, Fiscal Officer

Doug Sigmond, Trustee

Rod Pritchard, Trustee

Cathy Schmeizer, Trustee

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PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 19, 2025 – REGULAR MEETING 7:00 PM 23 Maple Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43228

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Doug Stormont called the Prairie Township Board of Trustees regular meeting to order on March 19, 2025, at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall. In attendance were Trustee Rod Pritchard, Trustee Cathy Schmeizer, Trustee Doug Stormont, Fiscal Officer Alec Milam, Township Administrator James Jewell, Assistant Township Administrator/Roads Superintendent Dave McAninch, Zoning Director Dana Scott, Recreation Director Michael Pollack, Fire Chief Allen Scott, and Franklin County Sheriff's Office Deputy Adkins and Wood.

Mr. Stormont led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes – March 19, 2025 Regular Meeting

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve the March 5, 2025 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Pritchard seconded. Votes: Mr. Pritchard, Aye; Ms. Schmeizer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye. Motion passed.

Updates from the Franklin County Sheriff's Office

Total Calls for Service/Self-Initiated Runs: 525
 Total Reports Taken: 70
 Total Arrests/Citations: 40
 Thefts: 6
 Suspicious activity stops/calls: 68
 Traffic Stops: 77
 Stolen Vehicles: 3 (4600 W Broad; 5000 Block of Palmetto; 4700 Block of Hilton)
 Drug-Related Arrests: 11
 Overdose: 2
 Burglaries/B&E: 1 (400 Block of Cole)
 OVI: 1

Deputy Wood provided details from incidents over the last few weeks.

Calls of Note from Deputy L Wood T-36

- In February 2025, Township Deputies, along with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office Drone Team, began "Operation Maytag." This operation consisted of concentrated patrols involving marked cruisers and deputies operating in an undercover capacity in the area of Galloway Rd, specifically around the homes in Chase Landings that had been under construction. Deputies have received complaints of individuals entering houses under construction and stealing appliances and other materials. This operation took place on various weekends throughout February and March.
- On February 22, 2025, deputies were working the area of Chase Landings when they observed a vehicle enter the condos under construction at the intersection of Galloway Rd and Hall Rd. This vehicle exited the complex quickly and was loaded with lumber. Deputies conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle, and one individual was taken into custody. It was later determined the wood was stolen from the complex. This individual was arrested and slated on active warrants for their arrest. Since this location was in the City of Columbus Jurisdiction, the Columbus Division of Police took over the investigation. FCSO detectives were notified, and it was determined the individual apprehended was a

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PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Spring Clean-up Announcement: Ms. Scott shared the dates and times of the 2025 Spring Clean-up event. This event will be over two weekends and will give the residents the opportunity to dispose of trash, tires, and electronics. There will also be a one-day three-hour shred event and a Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District education event.

Comments/Issues: None

ADMINISTRATION

Nuisance Resolutions: State for the record any addresses that will not be declared (if any).

Declared	Address	Parcel ID
✓	42 Pasadena Avenue	240-001249
✓	5128-5130 Beacon Hill Road	240-003276
✓	263 Deerfield Road	240-003258
✓	396 Celina Road	240-004631
✓	99 Darien Avenue	240-004329
✓	39 Evergreen Terrace	240-002310
✓	124 Fernhill Avenue	240-002340
✓	331 Hiller Road	240-004183
✓	4669 Hilton Avenue	240-004320
✓	240-001448 Emmitt Avenue	240-001448
✓	240-001595 Emmitt Avenue	240-001595
✓	240-001597 Emmitt Avenue	240-001597

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board adopt Resolution NU-06-25, "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at properties with refuse and debris." Mr. Pritchard seconded. ROLL CALL Votes: Mr. Pritchard, Aye; Ms. Schmeizer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye. Motion passed.

Land Acquisition Request: Mr. Jewell presented to the Board a Land Acquisition packet for consideration of approval at the April 2, 2025, Trustee meeting.

Comments/Issues: Ms. Schmeizer asked why this resident is interested in this property. Mr. Jewell stated he wants to clean up the trees and that it is very scenic.

Alley Vacation: Mr. Jewell requested the Board approve vacating an undeveloped alley between Woodlawn Avenue and Hiller Road, north of Sullivant Avenue and south of Owen Street. There is currently approximately 7.5 feet between the parcels along the north-south portion of the alley. We would like to vacate to each parcel along the alleyway. We would like to divide this equally between the parcels along Woodlawn Avenue and Hiller Road. The alleyway entrances are approximately 15 feet wide. We would like to divide this parcel equally between the abutting parcels.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve moving forward with the vacation process for the undeveloped alley between Woodlawn Avenue and Hiller Road, north of Sullivant Avenue and south of Owen Street, as presented, and

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PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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authorize the Township Administrator to execute the necessary documents. Mr. Pritchard seconded. Votes: Mr. Pritchard, Aye; Ms. Schmeizer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye. Motion passed.

Nuisance Assessments: Mr. Jewell asked the Board to execute a "Return and Statement to County Commissioners" requesting the assessments totaling \$17,800.88 for removal of trash and debris at eleven (11) properties from December 2024 – March 2025 as well as execute a "Return and Statement to County Commissioners" requesting assessments totaling \$381.80 for removal of junk motor vehicles at one (1) property in March 2025.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board execute a "Return and Statement to County Commissioners" requesting the assessments totaling \$17,800.88 for removal of trash and debris at eleven (11) properties from December 2024 – March 2025 as well as execute a "Return and Statement to County Commissioners" requesting assessments totaling \$381.80 for removal of junk motor vehicles at one (1) property in March 2025. Mr. Pritchard seconded. Votes: Mr. Pritchard, Aye; Ms. Schmeizer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye. Motion passed.

Permanent Appropriations: Mr. Jewell presented the 2025 permanent appropriations for adoption.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve the 2025 permanent appropriations as presented and authorize the Fiscal Office to file with the County Auditor. Mr. Pritchard seconded. Votes: Mr. Pritchard, Aye; Ms. Schmeizer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye. Motion passed.

Letter to Budget Commission: Mr. Jewell asked the Board to approve sending a letter to the Budget Commission increasing revenue in the Community Center Fund (2905) to \$1,823,957.18 and in the Clover Estates Lighting Fund (2407) to \$1,717.08.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve sending a letter to the Budget Commission increasing revenue in the Community Center Fund (2905) to \$1,823,957.18 and in the Clover Estates Lighting Fund (2407) to \$1,717.08. Mr. Pritchard seconded. Votes: Mr. Pritchard, Aye; Ms. Schmeizer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye. Motion passed.

A resident asked who will be responsible for cutting the grass at Galloway Village. Mr. Jewell stated that they have reimbursed us for the fencing. Mr. McAninch said they have hired their own landscaping company to care for the grass.

Mr. Pritchard asked if there have been any updates on the Galloway Village bankruptcy/foreclosure cases.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

VACATION OF UNNAMED ALLEYS IN ROME MANOR

SITUATE IN THE STATE OF OHIO, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, TOWNSHIP OF PRAIRIE,
BEING PART OF VIRGINIA MILITARY SURVEY NO. 1474

BEING LOCATED IN ROME MANOR AS SHOWN & DELINEATED UPON THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF IN PLAT BOOK 16,
PAGE 4, RECORDER'S OFFICE, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

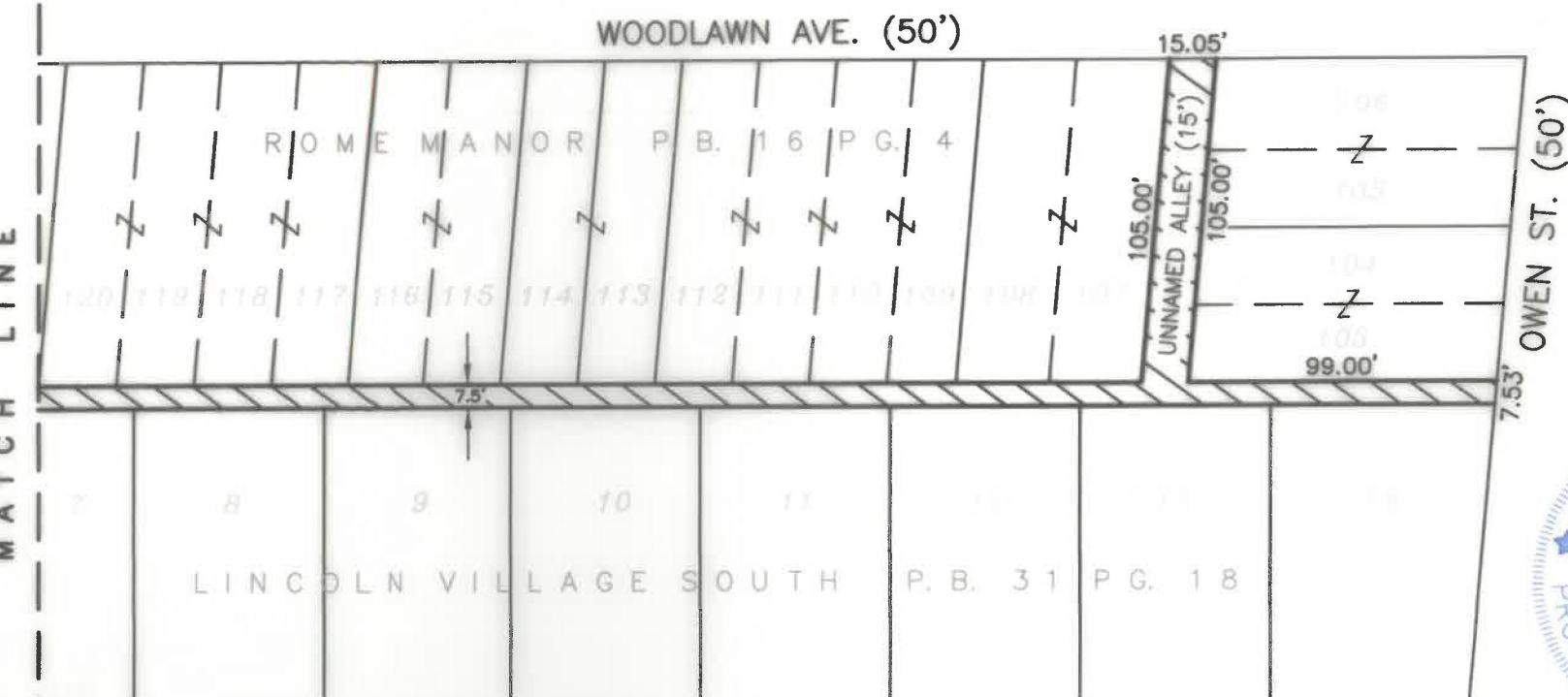
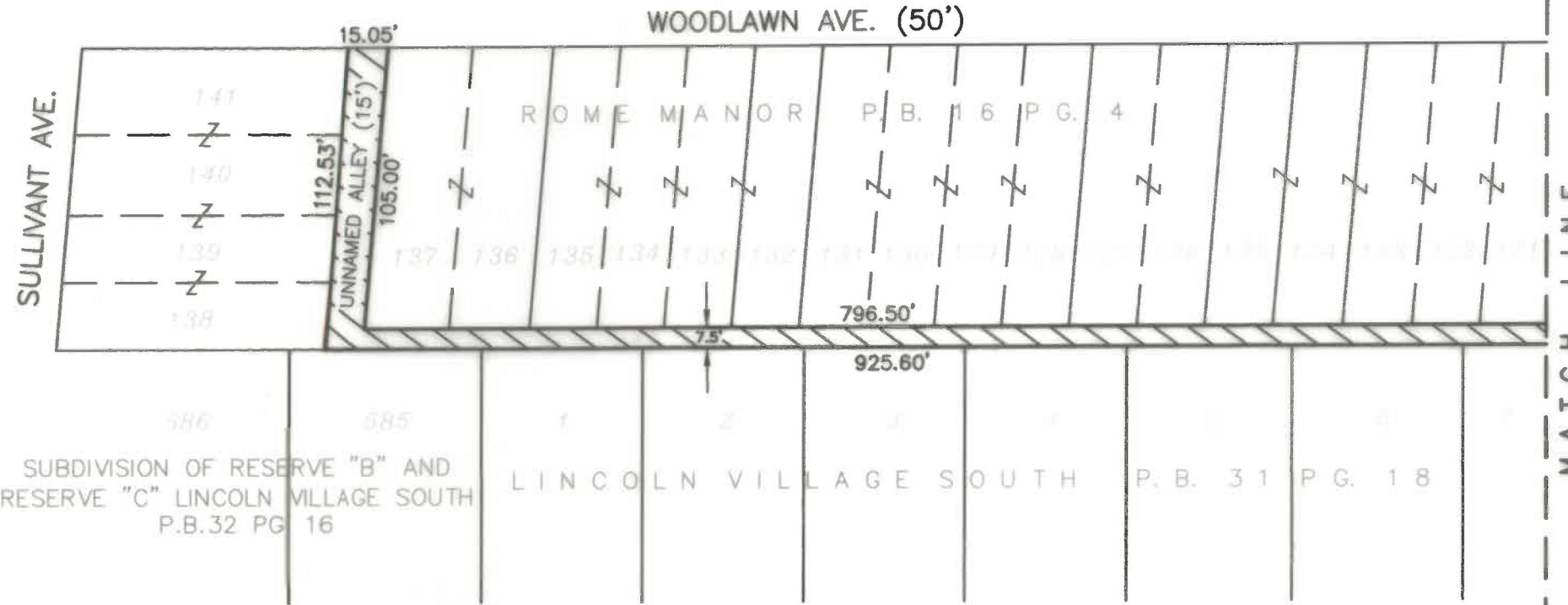


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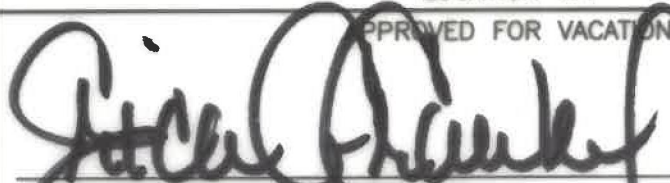






LEGEND

 0.232 AC. TO BE VACATED



LOCATION MAP
APPROVED FOR VACATION

	7-1-25
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	7-1-25
FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER	DATE
	5-7-2025
FRANKLIN COUNTY ENGINEER	DATE
	05/07/2025
FRANKLIN COUNTY CHIEF DEPUTY ENGINEER	DATE

THIS PLAT WAS PREPARED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, M. JAY RHODEN, OHIO REGISTERED SURVEYOR NO. 8163, IN APRIL 2025, ALONG WITH PUBLIC RECORDS ON FILE AT THE FRANKLIN COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE & FRANKLIN COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE INFORMATION OF AN ACTUAL FIELD SURVEY.




M. JAY RHODEN
OHIO REGISTERED SURVEYOR NO. 8163

05/07/25
DATE

VACATION PLAT OF UNNAMED ALLEYS