

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

IN PERSON MEETING

June 25, 2026 @ 7:00pm

Held at Washington Township Hall, 8989 S. Baldwin Rd. Ashley, MI 48806

- I. Meeting called to order by Howard Whaley at 7:00 pm, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll call- Present: Eric Whitford, Nancy Rogers, Tarry Stahl, Kevin Whaley, Howard Whaley; Absent: None
- II. Motion to approve minutes from May 21, 2026, meeting by Kevin, 2nd by Nancy, all in favor, motion carried.
- III. Motion to approve Agenda, with additions; under IX. f) PAR Plan Resolution, and g) Cemetery by Eric, 2nd by Kevin, all in favor, motion carried.
- IV. Motion to approve budget/financial reports/bills by Eric, 2nd by Nancy, roll call votes, yeas- Kevin, Tarry, Nancy, Eric, Howard, nays- none, Absent- none; motion carried.
- V. Old Business / Open Issues / Visitors: Bob Baxter, Shelly Brown, and Steve Sopocy
 - a. Deputy Treasurer appointed - Carrie Kirkpatrick; sworn in after meeting
 - b. Landscaping around Twp hall - tabled until July's meeting – need to locate septic system; boulders on southside, too many plants; annual maintenance plan quote
 - c. Planning Commission Member – new, Tom Wright as agreed, motion to approve by Kevin, 2nd by Nancy, roll call votes, yeas- Kevin, Tarry, Nancy, Eric, Howard, nays- none, Absent- none; motion carried.
 - d. Fire Authority member needed; Howard is waiting on confirmation from Cody Staley; also, may talk with Keith?
 - e. Playground Equipment Placing – will need to pick a date to set up playground equipment
 - f. Pompeii Sewer Account status – Kevin has put in a CD instead of opening a new account
- VI. Public Comment for old business/open issues: Bob Baxter, Fulton Twp., Pompeii Sewer; Shelly Brown, Greater Gratiot, Millage Proposals on ballot; Steve Sopocy, County Commissioner, Transit Proposal for Alma.
- VII. Zoning Officer Report:
 - a. Permits issued this month:
 1. Cory Arts – Barndominium
 2. RJ Construction – behind Kent Moore's; State & Taft Rd
 3. Trademark Construction – Basement repair; Bridgeville
- VIII. District Library Report:
 - a. No update, next meeting Monday June 29th @ 5pm

IX. New Business:

- a. Pompeii Sewer – a) Will have a meeting with Pompeii residents, i.e. rate increase to \$200 with a 3% rate increase; b) Fulton requests help for westside pump station, Howard suggests reimbursing Fulton for eastside lift station rebuild; c) options include 1) no pay, 2) pay eastside bill, 3) making annual payments, motion to table until July's meeting by Eric, 2nd by Kevin, roll call votes, yeas- Kevin, Nancy, Eric, Howard, nays- Tarry, Absent- none; motion carried.
- b. Preliminary Voting Equipment Test was completed and Tarry reported everything went well.
- c. Audit has been scheduled for Thursday July 23rd, 2026 @ 10am
- d. Gratiot County MTA Meeting update; BS&A spoke about using Cloud vs. .net, and the transportation millage was discussed.
- e. Extending sidewalk for parking lot has been deferred until pavilion is planned
- f. PAR Plan Resolution approved
- g. Cemetery – a) Loving Church are willing to pull out old fence on the 8th at Hufford cemetery, they will get quote for new fence, b) need ideas for Collier Cemetery sign.

X. Letters/Correspondence:

- a. MTA Courses – motion to approve \$1,900 for MTA Premium Package by Kevin, 2nd by Nancy, all in favor, motion carried.

XI. Important Dates of Washington Township:

- a. Public Voting Equipment Test is July 13th @ 2pm, Washington Township Hall
- b. Election Inspector Training is July 13th @ 3pm, Washington Township Hall, Let Clerk know if you would like to attend
- c. Board Meeting – July 16th @ 7pm, Washington Township Hall

XII. Deferred Business:

- a. Patrick Commercial Zoning for Parcel #1 deferred to July 16th, 2026 – phone messages updates from Patrick
- b. Planning for Pavillion deferred to 2027-2028 fiscal year

XIII. Additional Public Comment:

XIV. Motion to adjourn by Nancy, 2nd by Kevin, all in favor. Adjourned at 9:01 pm

Respectfully submitted by Erica Wright, Washington Township Deputy Clerk

Approved July 16, 2026

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Howard Whaley
Washington Township Supervisor

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Tarry Stahl
Washington Township Clerk

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