WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

IN PERSON MEETING September 17th, 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, and Howard Whaley

II. Motion to approve minutes from last Board meeting on August 20, 2026, by Nancy, 2nd by Tarry, all in favor, motion carried.

III. Motion to approve Agenda, with addition; under XI. a) Drain Commission, by Kevin, 2nd by Howard, all in favor, motion carried.

IV. Motion to approve budget/financial reports/bills as reported, beginning balance $285,683.18, ending $238,283.78, by Howard, 2nd by Eric, roll call votes, yeas- Kevin, Tarry, Nancy, Eric, Howard, nays- none, motion carried.

V. Old Business / Open Issues / Visitors: T. J. for Theresa of DTE, Howard gave him a copy of the playground estimate to give the Theresa, and Steve Sopocy from GC Commissioner, reported approved budget at county completed.

   a. Public Funds Premium Money Market Account – Kevin talked with Karla, but needs to call her for more money transfer information.
   b. Landscaping around Township Hall – On schedule for starting week of October 5th, will touch base when date gets closer.
   c. Audit Update – Kevin has not heard from Auditor, will contact them tomorrow.
   d. Playground Equipment Update – can be painted but not put in place yet.
   e. Septic System – Howard called Jason Akers to inspect and cleaned once Howard locates and opens tank.

VI. Public Comment for old business/open issues:

VII. Zoning Officer Report:

   a. Permits issued – SLUP for Dustin Crumbaugh for 2.974 acres turned over to Planning Commission

VIII. District Library Report:

   a. Update from Kevin, meeting on Monday.

IX. Cemetery Report:

   a. New sign for Collier Cemetery is up, waiting for chains to hang name and phone number

X. New Business:

   a. Moratorium on Data Centers – Eric has no update

XI. Letters/Correspondence:

a. Drain Commissioner about #50 drain, the township will be responsible for $10,287.19. Motion to pay off in one lumpsum by Eric, 2nd by Kevin, roll call votes, yeas- Kevin, Tarry, Nancy, Eric, Howard, nays- none, motion carried.
b. A bill was presented for one mile of chloride, paid by the individual, not to be paid by the township and agreed by individual. Discussion was had about 3 potential chloride applications per year on roads that might need extra, investigate for next year's budget.

XII. Washington Township: Important Upcoming Dates

a. Hall flooring starts Monday September 21st
b. Township Cleanup Event October 3rd @ 9-1pm Washington Township Hall
c. Ashley Fire Authority Meeting October 6th @ 6pm Village of Ashley
d. Board Meeting October 15th @ 7pm Washington Township Hall
e. Public Accuracy Testing October 23rd @ 4:30pm Washington Township Hall

XIII. Deferred Business:

a. Planning for Pavillion deferred to 2027-2028 fiscal year
b. Extend sidewalk for Parking lot deferred until Pavillion plans are finalized

XIV. Additional Public Comment:

XV. Motion to adjourn by Nancy, 2nd by Kevin, all in favor. Adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Erica Wright, Washington Township Deputy Clerk

Approved October 15th, 2026

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Howard Whaley
Washington Township Supervisor

Tarry Stahl
Washington Township Clerk

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