

# *Weare Township*

## **Board Meeting Minutes Monday, January 12th, 2026**

### **A. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Larry Doran.

### **B. The Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **C. Roll Call**

Board members present included Mrs. Sayles, Mr. Miller, Mr. Stotler, Mr. Doran. Mrs. VanDerZanden arrived at 7:10pm

### **D. Attendance**

Audience members present included Richele Anderson, Julia Lauber, Andrew Clark, Jason Miller, Dean Holub.

### **E. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Byron and 2nd by Melanie to approve last month's minutes.

### **F. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Melanie and supported by Byron to approve the agenda with the addition of Old Business to letter C for Bind Insurance update.

### **G. Treasurer's Report**

Mrs. VanDerZanden reported as follows:

- \$31,884.43 in the General Fund Checking
- \$7,528.01 in the Road Fund Checking
- \$3,911.22 in the Fire Fund Checking
- \$1.00 in the Escrow Account
- \$1.00 Bond Debt Retirement Account
- \$420,714.66 in the Michigan Class General Fund Surplus Account
- \$712.91 in the Michigan Class Road Fund Surplus Account
- \$20,851.19 in Michigan Class Fire Fund Surplus Account
- Totals: \$485,604.42

### **H. Old Business**

1. Red Barn -Paul Erickson and Keith Edwards are working on land exchange.

2. A discussion took place on the battery storage moratorium. A motion by Larry and 2nd by Byron to have Marc Daneman write the battery storage moratorium with a 9 month deadline for 9/30/2026.
3. Bind Insurance Lane contacted Acrisure on our Bind insurance to get some clarification. He went over the big items at this time to check on our liability and to add Cyber insurance to the police and what it would cover. Melanie will talk with Mark Shotwell the IT person and we will revisit at the next meeting.

#### **I. New Business:**

1. Pentwater transfer station contract is due Dean Holub from Pentwater attend stating it is gaining popularity and they themselves have written 110 permits for Weare themselves, we have written 99 permits. A motion by Larry for another year at \$5000 and 2nd by Lane. Role Call Vote: Byron-yes, Jill-yes, Lane-yes Melanie-yes, Larry-yes motion passed
2. Larry discussed paying Ken Adams for plowing and what amount should we pay; they have not asked for anything. With this winter being worse they are coming more frequent. The board would like to know a total of how many times before deciding on a price. Larry will check this item table next month.
3. The board discussed extending the Solar ordinance and updating the moratorium extending its date to 5/31/2026. A motion by Larry and 2nd by Byron to go ahead with this. Role Call Vote: Byron-Yes, Jill-Yes, Lane-Yes, Melanie-Yes, Larry-Yes motion passed.
4. The board discussed sending the Solar Ordinance back to the Planning Commission for more review and corrections. Lane's concerns are the grey areas that the lawyer could work on. A motion by Larry and 2nd by Byron to return the ordinance to the Planning Commission. Role Call Vote: Byron-Yes, Jill-Yes, Lane-No, Melanie-Yes, Larry-Yes motion passed.
5. At this time we will hold off on the camper ordinance as the planning book needs some revisions but the solar ordinance is most important right now.
6. Election Coordinator discussion has taken place to move this position back to the clerk and or housed in the township hall. There is no rush at this time and with all the new software and systems the clerk and deputy clerk are learning we will table this next month.

**J. Correspondence:** Lane is working on his Pension with John Hancock and more forms needed updated with them by Melanie. The Hart fire board minutes came in if anyone wants a copy see Melanie. Also there is MTA training for the Board of Review.

#### **K. Public Comments- None**

**L. Zoning Administrator's Report-** Andrew wrote 2 commercial permits in the last month and mentioned he sent the letter to the Marijuana place that their fees are due by 1/15/2026.

**M. Board Member Comments-** None

**N. Supervisor's Comments-** Larry praised everyone on all the boards and all their hard work and time given to the township.

**O. Approval of the Bills:** Motion by Larry and 2nd by Lane to pay bills, motion carried.

**P. Adjournment:** Motion by Larry and 2nd by Lane to adjourn. motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm , minutes were recorded by Mrs. Sayles