

**WELDON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

October 14, 2025

7:00PM

The meeting was called to order by S. Bobek, Treasurer, at 7:00PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

ATTENDANCE: Carrie Aldrich, Supervisor, abs; Fran Griffin, Clerk, X Sally Bobek, Treasurer, X Sue Meredith, Trustee, X Scott Williams, Trustee X.

GUESTS: Gary Sauer, Vicki Schwartz, Charles Kraus, Becky Sharp, Jim Franke, Chris, Parrish, Phyllis Kladder

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: F. Griffin, Clerk asked to add Ordinance Enforcement to ZA in Unfinished Business. S. Williams motioned to approve the agenda with the change. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: S. Meredith motioned to approve the Regular meeting minutes of September 9, 2025, the meeting minutes of September 23, 2025, Special Meeting-ZA Admin and October 6, 2025, Election Commission meeting minutes. S. Williams seconded. All ayes.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT: The new online payment of taxes was used eighty-seven times. F. Griffin motioned to approve the Treasurer's report. S. Williams seconded. All ayes.

GUEST INPUT: G. Sauer, Commissioner, gave an update on Benzie County business including MAC conference, Health Department/Mental Health, what Benzie Schools used the bond money for and the sinking fund, looking for a new commissioner for Colfax/Inland Townships. Dave Davis has resigned. C. Kraus gave a TARP update and passed out information on the bottle refill station for the park that we had previously considered. TARP is having some holdups. One being a need of EGLE approval septic/campground. P. Kladder has been completing MEDC forms. They will still need \$300,000 once the first million is received. Webber Foundation donated \$10,000 to TARP. Need to have the Downtown Pauley's sign removed. The Fountain/water station was discussed. Total of \$6900.00 for both parts, tax exempt, no shipping charge, and delivery to Village of Thompsonville DPW for storage until installation. Not a winter use item. S. Bobek motioned to approve the purchase of the fountain/water station and the adapter kit by the Township. S. Williams seconded. All ayes. Chris Parrish,

Benzie County EMS, updated the Board on the County EMS and answered questions on ALS/BLS.

REPORTS:

Zoning Administrator: on file.

Day Use Park: on file. No response to the cutting of the wildflowers/grass by BCRC. C. Aldrich is checking.

Planning Commission: n/a

Liquor Inspection: on file.

Nuisance Report: on file.

Assessor Report: on file

Budget Report: S, Bobek motioned to approve the requested budget amendments. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

SUPERVISOR: absent

CLERK: F. Griffin presented a request for a fireworks permit for Crystal Mountain for December 31, 2025. They pointed out that the Certificate of Insurance included will expire in November 2025. Discussion. S. Williams motioned to approve the permit contingent on the Township receiving a valid COI from Pyrotecnico prior to the event. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Carlson property situation is on hold until we have a new Zoning Administrator. Zoning Administrator position discussed. An addition to the initial proposal received from MR Consultants was received today. They have also proposed \$500 per month to do Ordinance Enforcement for the Township. Discussion. F. Griffin motioned to contract with MR Consultants for \$1000 per month for Zoning Administration per year and \$500 per month for Ordinance Enforcement from April through September. S. Williams seconded. Discussion. All ayes. Website ADA Compliance issue is tabled. Discussion. Bird Bath donated by AA in memory of Ron Hitesman discussed. C. Kraus will get it from the shed. The Clerk will clean it and store it in the Hall until next spring.

NEW BUSINESS: S. Bobek presented information on a new computer for the Treasurer. The old one will not upgrade to Windows 11. She would like to purchase an HP Pro for \$800. S. Meredith motioned to approve the purchase of the laptop up to \$900. S. Williams seconded. All ayes. Discussed snowplowing/removal for the coming winter

season. Clerk will put an ad in the paper. LUP checks should be coming from Tim Cypher to the Treasurer. Cleanup Dates for next year 2026 are May 16th and September 19th. Discussion. S. Bobek motioned to stay with Northern Disposal. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes. S. Bobek will check with Cory Brown at Northern Disposal to get in writing/email a quote from him and verify dates.

BILLS:

Between Meetings

Kenneth Gokey-Mowing	\$250.00
Foster & Swift	\$148.43
Elan Financial	\$397.01
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EFPTS59 IRS 941 August	\$1592.72
Board Pay	\$5248.33
Assessor Pay	\$1803.66
Julie Lonn-Pay	\$125.00
Special Meeting pay (ZA)	\$350.00
Election Commission Mtg Pay	\$150.00
PC Pay Oct 2025	\$325.00
PC Sub Committee MP/Parks	\$60.00
Acentek	\$244.16
Sue Meredith-Liq Inspector-qtrly	\$750.00
Fran Griffin-MTA per diem	\$50.00
Fran Griffin reimburse mileage MTA conf and Govt Ctr	\$252.84
Chris Bobek-Nuisance Enforcement	\$400.00
Scott Williams-DUP	\$200.00
Record Patriot	\$501.40
Cypher Group	\$925 .00

Aubrey Kitzmiller-IT/Mileage	\$64.20
AFLAC	\$316.15
Benzie County Road Comm	\$12447.21
Sally Bobek-per diem BVDL	\$50.00
Cherryland Electric-September	\$81.31
Milarch Landscaping	\$95.00
Michigan Labor Law Posters	\$105.47
Foster & Swift	\$107.63
Northern Disposal-fall Cleanup	\$3000.00
Northern Disposal-trash p/u qrtly Haze Rd and DUP	\$170.00
TOTAL.....	\$30,210.52

APPROVAL OF BILLS: S. Williams motioned to pay the bills. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE: BVDL minutes-August 2025

PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

ADJOURNMENT: F. Griffin motioned to adjourn. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.
Meeting at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Fran Griffin
Weldon Township Clerk

