

**WELDON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING**

June 9, 2026

Tuesday

7:00PM

The meeting was called to order by C. Aldrich, Supervisor, at 7:00PM.
The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

GUESTS: Jim Franke, Gary Sauer, Jesse Wolff, Lisa Radtke, Vicki Schwartz, Jean Hughey, Rob Aldrich, C. Kraus,

CHANGES/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: S. Williams motioned to approve the agenda with a change to add under New Business-mattresses. S. Bobek seconded. All ayes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: S. Meredith motioned to approve May 12, 2026, meeting minutes. S. Williams seconded. All ayes.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT: S. Bobek gave a report on CD renewals. S. Meredith motioned to approve the CD renewals for 6 months 3.75%. S. Williams seconded. All ayes. Report on State Revenue of \$473 for safety. Seventy-five percent to go to the County and \$118 used by Township for fire and/or safety. Campground tax (\$3 per site) was discussed. Treasurer will send a formal letter to the campground owners with explanation. S. Williams motion to approve. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

GUEST INPUT (up to 3 minutes per guest): G. Sauer gave an update on the County Millage request, and other County business, POMH anniversary, Emergency Manager submitted reports to FEMA/State, Undersheriff Hubers to retire in January. New Animal Control Officer, Joe Duncan is hired. Rachel Watson is filling in as 911 Director. BCRC bonding proposal 18 mil is getting lowest interest rate. Rob Scott, Benzie Bus, was absent. Jesse Wolff, Homestretch, gave an update on the Crystal Commons project. Still looking for funds/grants to get started. Discussed. Will be asking for an extension since the approval for the project was contingent on the project being started within two years. Would like to start the 12 units by fall of 2026. Discussion. Homestretch will be coming back with changes and requests. Lisa Radtke suggested Homestretch try for infrastructure grants, EPA, EDA, DTE. She took this time to give the Zoning Report. They are taking care of complaints, permits, and Natural Rivers. Needs address for the towing company being run out of residence in Weldon Township. Was asked about the maintenance building being built at Crystal Mountain. Supposed to be for the Ski Patrol also.

REPORTS:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: on file.

DAY USE PARK: on file. Discussion. Scott is working on it.

PLANNING COMMISSION: May 27th was a PC Public Hearing on the Parks and Rec Ordinance.

LIQUOR INSPECTOR REPORT: on file.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: on file. An email from him stated that the July BOR will be July 21? Clerk asked that she be given the specific information in time for it to be published.

BUDGET REPORT: Clerk is requesting a budget amendment to correct the absence of the ZA salary not in the original budget. Would like to transfer \$12,000 from Elections (191-000) to PZ Contracted Services (410.801). S. Bobek motioned to make this transfer. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS: Furnace/plumbing needs repair. Attended PC Public Hearing for Parks and Rec ordinance. Tim Figura provided information and a sample Zoning Ordinance amendment regarding Moratoriums on Data Center/Battery Storage centers. She spoke to Greg Kraft regarding blight issues in Colfax/Weldon. Quote (26-0149) for furnace/plumbing repair with Westshore Plumbing was presented for \$941. S. Bobek made the motion to move ahead with the repair. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

CLERK COMMENTS: Everyone had a copy of the 2025-2026 Audit from UHY in their basket. No response to the ad for Roof Bids. Discussion. Board members to contact roofers to see if they are interested. MTA membership is due. Discussion. S. Williams motioned to go with the Essential package in addition to the dues. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes. GFL sent the Township a notice of a quarterly charge for trash bag pickup in addition to the cost of the bag. Clerk advised GFL that the Township has not used their bags for years. They will remove us from their list. County millage was discussed in relation to the Township millage.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: DUP lease-Supervisor has been unable to get information from anyone in the State on whom she can contact to get the lease renewed. She will contact our Senator or Representative for assistance. Roof bid discussed again. The Supervisor will present the Moratorium Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to the PC at their July meeting. Jean Hughey property-Zoning Issue. She is looking for direction on where to go from here. She has filed her paperwork with Marvin Radtke, Zoning Admin. She will attend the next PC meeting on July 6th. She has been working with Marvin since March trying to resolve the issues. C. Aldrich, Supervisor, stated that she will be her point of contact. C. Kraus, PC Chair, asked Mrs. Hughey to send the ten copies to the Zoning Administrator, and he can present to the PC. Request needs to go to the PC then Public Hearing then to PC Board and finally to Township Board for approval. Sue will hand out petition copies to the PC members. It is felt by the Board that this needs to be moved forward.

Alley vacating—Ken Pasanski, Village President, is supposed to be contacting an attorney for process. Flag lanyard has been repaired by C. Bobek.

NEW BUSINESS: Instant360 Tour/Josh Rixey requested by email approval to put the DUP on Google viewing. Discussion. C. Aldrich motion to allow this. S. Williams seconded. All ayes. Clerk asked that S. Meredith be reimbursed the \$50 Northern Disposal charged her for the mattresses she and Chris Meredith picked up from public land and took to Cleanup Day. S. Bobek motioned to reimburse \$50 to S. Meredith. S. Williams seconded. Four ayes, S. Meredith abstained.

BILLS: June 9, 2026

(Between Meetings)

Elan Financial	\$614.37
Jerry Wickham	\$250.00
Plumber's Paradise	\$6900.00
Mika Meyers Attorneys	\$133.00
EFPTS67 IRS 941 Fed Tax	\$1165.58
Board Pay	\$5415.00
Assessor Pay	\$1824.67
Julie Lonn	\$125.00
PC-Public Hearing P&R	\$525.00
ATI Consulting	\$36.00
MR Consulting	\$1000.00
Acentek	\$244.32
S & S Property	\$200.00
Cherryland Electric (est)	\$90.00
Wood Commander	\$250.00
Chris Bobek-reimburse-parts	\$29.65
Michigan Media Group	\$444.29
Chuck Kraus-reimburse flowers	\$251.14
AFLAC	\$316.15
Sally Bobek-per diem/mileage	\$118.56
Total.....	\$19,932.73

S. Meredith made the motion to pay the bills. S. Williams seconded. All ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE: BVDL April Board Minutes, Constitutional/Statutory Revenue Sharing Payment 2026-27, Benzie Chamber of Commerce email re: Millage.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: G. Sauer commented on the battery storage centers having potential for huge fires.

ADJOURNMENT: C. Aldrich adjourned the meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:44PM

Respectfully submitted:
Fran Griffin
Weldon Township Clerk