

NORWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: March 11, 2025

Board members present: Don Byczek, Supervisor; Joyce Giuliani, Clerk; Dave Solda, Trustee. Absent: Jeff Edwards, Treasurer, Brian Pellegrini, Trustee

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Pledge was recited.
2. Approve/amend agenda: Motion was made by Solda, second by Giuliani to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Passed 3-0.
3. Citizens' Time: Chris Moore, Circle Power Renewables – update on Groveland Mine Solar Project
4. Approve minutes for last month's meeting: Motion was made by Solda, second by Byczek to approve the minutes from the February 10th meeting as presented. All ayes. Passed 3-0.
5. Assessor's Time: None
6. Financial reports for last month: financial reports were reviewed and discussed.
7. Bills for approval: Bills were reviewed. Motion was made by Byczek, second by Solda, to approve the bills as presented. All ayes. Passed 3-0.
8. Guest Time: None
9. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a) Road work for summer 2025: still trying to work out details with the Dickinson County Road Commission regarding resurfacing projects for Oak Crest Drive and Palmcooks Rocky Top Road.
 - b) Blight update:
 1. Johnson/Carlson case: Judge Barglind ruled in favor of the township in the blight case against Todd Johnson. Fines and court costs have been levied against his property and he was order to clean up his property. At this time, Mr. Johnson has not removed the debris and the township does not have the authority to begin removal on their own.
 2. Varda case: Supervisor Byczek has been working on getting Varda to clean up his property for many months. Repeated visits to the property have produced no results. The township lawyer has been contacted to proceed with bringing this issue to court.
10. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a) Resolution for Friends of the Dickinson County Fair raffle: non -profit organization, Friends of the Dickinson County Fair, are requesting approval to hold a raffle to raise money towards funding improvements in the barns and agricultural building at the fairgrounds located in Norway Township. A resolution was offered by Joyce Giuliani, second by Dave Solda, to recognize the Friends of Dickinson County Fair as a nonprofit organization operating in Norway Township for the purpose of obtaining charitable gaming licenses. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0. Absent: 2. Resolution was adopted 3-0.

- b) Resolution to apply for Par Plan security grant: a Risk Reduction Grant is available through Michigan Township Participating Plan for an amount up to \$5,000. A resolution was offered by Don Byczek, second by Dave Solda, to submit an application to the Michigan Township Participating Plan in the amount of \$5,000 to be used to help fund the purchase of a security camera system at the East Vulcan Recreation area. Ayes: 3. Nays: 0. Absent: 2. Passed 3-0.
- c) Summer help: we will be hiring 3 students for the summer. We already have three applications turned in from students who worked here last year so consensus agreement was not to advertise for help this year.
- d) Spring clean-up: dates will be Tuesday, May 20th through Friday, May 23rd at noon. Plans will be finalized next month.

11. Citizens' Time: None

12. Committee Reports: **Solda** – from the Central Landfill Authority, GLF is losing money on the way that recyclables are being handled at the county landfill site. Changes will need to be made. Solda will keep us informed as more information becomes available.

13. Board member comments: **Giuliani** – reminded members of the DCTA meeting to be held at the Breitung Township Hall on March 17th at 6:30 p.m. Social time begins at 6:00 p.m. Hosted by Sagola Township.

14. Adjournment: Being no further business, motion was made by Solda, second by Giuliani, to adjourn. All ayes. Passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m. Next regular board meeting meeting is on Monday, April 14th at 5:30 p.m.

Joyce Giuliani