

NORWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: October 13, 2025

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

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Pledge was recited.
2. Approve/amend agenda: Byczek requested to add Under New Business, Item c) Gravel Pit, and under New Business, Item d) Sale of Land In Industrial Park. Motion was made by Pellegrini, second by Solda, to approve the agenda with the additions requested. All ayes. Passed 4-0. Edwards absent at this time.
3. Citizens' Time: None
4. Approve minutes for last month's meeting(s): Motion was made by Solda, second by Byczek to approve the minutes from the September 8th meeting as presented. All ayes. Passed 4-0. Edwards absent at this time.
5. Assessor's Time: working on investigating building permits and that should be done by the end of October. December Board of Review session will be held on Tuesday, December 9th. Time has not been determined yet.
6. Financial reports: reports were reviewed and discussed.
7. Bills for approval: bills were reviewed. Motion was made by Pellegrini, second by Edwards, to approve the bills as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
8. Guest Time: None
9. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a) Adopt Ordinance 2025-1 electrical power franchise agreement: Motion was made by Edward, second by Pellegrini, to adopt Ordinance 2025-2 To Grant Upper Michigan Energy Resource Corp to provide electric power to customers in Norway Township. Roll call vote: Ayes: Pellegrini, Solda, Byczek, Edwards, Giuliani. Nays: None. Passed 5-0. This ordinance renews the franchise agreement with UMERL for 30 years from date of acceptance.
 - b) Flagpoles at cemetery: still waiting on the ropes to be delivered before the flagpoles can be installed. A letter will be drafted to inform residents that we are accepting sponsorships for flagpoles. The letter will be reviewed at the next board meeting and will be sent out with the winter tax bills to all residents.
 - c) Remove oak trees at cemetery: VanOss Forestry is working with area loggers and should have a price for us soon.
 - d) Road project for next year: the Dickinson County Road Commission is putting together a budget for next year's road work. They are not sure of the exact amount of money that will be available at this time. They have asked that the townships let them know an amount that

they would be willing to spend on road work next year. Motion was made by Edwards, second by Pellegrini, to provide up to, but not to exceed, \$500,000 on road project(s) for the upcoming year. All ayes. Passed 5-0.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) County Designated Assessor Opt Out Agreement: motion was made by Pellegrini, second by Giuliani, to sign the County Designated Assessor Opt Out Agreement presented to us by the County Equalization Department.. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
- b) Legal agreement with a different law firm: Byczek has been in negotiations with a downstate law firm to assist the township in blight cases. Details have not been finalized yet.
- c) Gravel Pit on Ball Road: Payne and Dolan has approached the township regarding obtaining a conditional use permit to open a gravel pit on the Butterfield property. This issue will be referred to the Planning Commission.
- d) Sale of land in Industrial Park: the owner of Flivver Electric Vehicles is interested in purchasing land in the Industrial Park to produce customized electric golf carts. More information will need to be reviewed before making a decision.

11. Citizens' Time: None.

12. Committee reports: None

13. Board Member comments: **Byczek** – Dean Varda is hauling debris from the Todd Johnson property. Clay and Donna Ehmer have notified that the apartment building owned by them does not meet blight requirements for the township.

14. Adjournment: being no further business, motion was made by Pellegrini, second by Giuliani, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m. Next regular meeting will be Monday, November 10, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Joyce Giuliani