

Board Meeting

February 23, 2026 6:30 PM

Kawkawlin Township Board

Call to Order – Eddy called the meeting to order with Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call – Present: Whalen, DeShano, Eddy, Waldee, Campbell

Eddy Motion to amend the agenda: Planning Commission requested to make data center moratorium for one year (item J under New Business) Amend Planning Commission appointment of board member (item K under New Business) Add tax exemption feature to item C under New Business for the Parks and Rec Easter Egg Hunt. Waldee: add to agenda, order voting bags (item L under New Business).

- Eddy motion to approve amended agenda through item L.
- 2nd: Whalen
- All in Favor: Yes **MOTION PASSED**

Public Comment (agenda items only): none

Old Business:

- a. Storm water station
 - o DeShano: asked about price estimate (\$62,000) would be on next years budget. Asked about long term maintenance.
 - o Eddy: includes electrical and weekly inspection. Money couldn't come out of this current years sewer budget.
 - o Eddy motion: to assure water and sewer that we will be moving forward.
 - o Waldee: will this be in FY 26-27 budget?
 - o DeShano: The cost is split with Fraser on the consumers bill for the pump itself. Asks if this cost could be split with them. Would like to confirm with Fraser that 50% of the expenses are to be split.
 - o Eddy: Motion to table until a conversation can be had with Fraser
 - o Whalen: 2nd
 - o All in favor: Yes
 - o **MOTION PASSED TO TABLE**

New Business

- a. ZBA Appointment
 - Whalen: spoke with current alternate and will be moving up. Will need to find a new alternate.
 - Eddy: motion to place ZBA appointment on website to get interest.
 - 2nd: Whalen

- All in favor- yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
- b. Board of Review Appointment
- Eddy: Dave MacArthur said class would not be needed because the appointed person would be new.
 - Campbell: had mentioned to Deb Knochel
 - Whalen: motion to place Board of Review post on website and Facebook page to gather interest.
 - All in favor: Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
- c. Parks and Rec Easter Egg Hunt Budget (amended to add tax exemption form)
- Eddy: budget request is for \$400 to purchase egg stuffing.
 - DeShano: stated they were over budget last year, at about \$450-500
 - Whalen: motion for \$600 for Budget
 - Eddy: 2nd
 - Roll Call: Campbell-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Whalen-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
- d. Current Budget Amendment
- Eddy: emailed and provided copies to all board members
 - DeShano: questions. Revenue and Expenditure reports are different references. Provided spreadsheets to board members. Shortfalls: \$122,139.09. Overages that are available within the budget: \$474,361.35. Road Patrol has surplus where money can be moved. Restricted Funds: have a small surplus, have to be handled differently. Some “shifting” has to be done based on what is approved for bills. Numbers also need to be updated related to payroll. Several that have exceeded and some that will exceed by end of FY. Have been running budget deficits in relation to office help (GL: 101 and 249). Fireworks subscription currently coming out of: 101-339-957 can come out of: 205-336-801.
 - DeShano: Fund 219 is tax revenue, special assessment. Tax funds have not been moved yet. Spoke with Darcy, misapplied bill which could be related to Consumers bill. Fund 212, misapplication of road patrol bill. Budget amendments have to be done with full GL (fund, dept, and account)
 - DeShano: still waiting on report from Angie.
 - Eddy: table the current budget amendments until next meeting.
 - 2nd: Whalen
 - Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED TO TABLE**
- e. 2026/2027 Budget Draft
- Eddy: still a lot to sort out, will have emails sent out to review
- f. Fire Chief Resolution

- John Hancock Resolution
 - i. Eddy: this is to allow the Fire Chief to move from John Hancock to MERS
 - ii. Chief assured that the resolution only applies to him and no other employee will be moving to MERS, there is a section where this is specified
 - iii. Eddy: reads proposed resolution.
 - iv. Whalen motion to move Chief from John Hancock to MERS
 - v. 2nd: Campbell
 - vi. Roll Call: DeShano-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Eddy-Yes
 - vii. **MOTION PASSED**
- MERS Resolution
 - i. Eddy: reads proposed resolution relating to adopting MERS contribution plan for Fire Chief.
 - ii. Campbell confirms that both resolutions have to be received before MERS can take over.
 - iii. Whalen motion to approve MERS resolution for the Fire Chief
 - iv. Eddy: 2nd
 - v. Roll Call: Waldee-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Campbell-Yes
 - vi. **MOTION PASSED**
- g. Roads 2026
 - Eddy: preliminary numbers from Matt Schultz, have to pick and choose roads to go out for estimates. Have to have information to Road Commission by March 2, 2026 for paving
 - i. Not including chip and seal
 - Whalen asks for list of roads being considered for the estimate
 - Eddy mentions last years road budget: \$280,000
 - Eddy: consider making a 3-5 year plan to address all of the roads that are in the “red”
 - i. Seidler- \$160,000
 - ii. Ernest- \$18,000
 - iii. Boutell- \$105,000
 - iv. Cottage Grove- \$135,000
 - v. River Rd- \$134,000
 - vi. Wetters Rd- \$134,000
 - vii. 5th St (from culvert to curb stop)-need estimate
 - viii. Parishbrook-need estimate
 - Eddy motions for Boutell, River, Seidler, Ernest, 5th Street, and Parishbrook to get estimates from Bay County Road Commission

- i. 2nd: Whalen
 - ii. Roll Call: DeShano-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Campbell-Yes
 - iii. **MOTION PASSED**
 - h. Torka, Michael
 - Waldee: Torka wants to move land into trust. Need board approval first before it can be signed and given to the assessor. Assessor does documentation, I have to sign it again before it gets sent to appropriate people.
 - i. Eddy: motion to pass Laurie and Michael Torka their PA116
 - ii. 2nd: Campbell
 - iii. Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes
 - iv. **MOTION PASSED**
 - i. Amend Agenda Resolution
 - Whalen: motion remove trustee Whalen and put in Clerk Waldee
 - i. 2nd: Campbell
 - ii. All in favor: 4
 - iii. Opposed: 1- Eddy
 - iv. **MOTION PASSED**
 - j. Data Center, Moratorium
 - Campbell: Lapham will create resolution for the board to approve
 - Eddy motion to have Lapham and Associates create data center, moratorium resolution for the next meeting
 - i. 2nd: Whalen
 - ii. All in favor: yes
 - iii. Roll Call: DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Whalen-Yes
 - iv. **MOTION PASSED**
 - k. Planning Commission Board Member Appointment
 - Eddy: Bylaws do not state the supervisor cannot sit on the planning commission
 - DeShano asked if anyone else from the board willing to be board representative on planning commission
 - Whalen offers if Eddy recommends it
 - Whalen motion to table until lawyer is present to ask for clarification
 - i. 2nd: DeShano
 - ii. No Roll Call or call for “All in Favor”
 - l. Election Bags
 - Waldee: only have 2 available for May Election. Every bag has to be certified, and every township/district is responsible for their own bags. Recommendation was to purchase 12 bags to cover this years elections until we can go through and

remove ballots from current bags to be placed in secure storage containers. We can then have those bags re-inspected.

- DeShano motion to purchase ballot bags up to \$800
 - i. 2nd: Eddy
 - ii. Roll Call: Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Whalen-Yes
 - iii. **MOTION PASSED**

Pay Bills

Waldee: \$250 bill came out after the packet was printed. Total: \$12,514

- Campbell motion to approve and pay the bills.
 - o 2nd: Eddy
 - o Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, Waldee-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Eddy-Yes
 - o **MOTION PASSED**

Public Comment:

Jessy Bruske (Parks and Rec)

Jeremy Blohm 2110 Fraser

Brad Eddy 1890 S Huron Rd

Charles Campbell 525 S Huron

Brian Whalen 911 Fraser Rd

Campbell motion to adjourn at 7:31 PM 2nd: Eddy All in Favor: Yes

Next Meeting: March 9, 2026 at 6:30 PM