

Board Meeting
March 23, 2026 6:30 PM
Kawkawlin Township Board

1. Eddy called meeting to order with Pledge of Allegiance, 6:30 PM
2. Roll Call: Campbell, Waldee, DeShano, Eddy, Whalen-absent
3. Approval of Agenda:
 - DeShano motion to approve agenda
 - Eddy: 2nd
 - All in Favor
 - **MOTION PASSED**
4. Public Comment (2 min. Agenda Only)
 - Jeremy Blohm 2110 Fraser Rd.
5. Unfinished Business
 - a. Election Support
 - Eddy: proposal from Jerry Putt and his wife Mary
 - Waldee: was in contact, Thursday spoke with Jerry about cost of training for QVF records (500 outstanding), help with mailing permanent ballots, etc. agreed that \$4,000 would be a good start, and would be conducted hourly. Some will be paid at \$50/hr and others would be \$28/hr. If it goes slightly over the \$4,000 limit, it would go before the board. Need WiFi in the hall for election. Mary Putt breaks down the hourly rates for election help. \$4,000 should cover Putt's team and election inspectors. The funds for IT contractor (\$500) would be separate.
 - DeShano: Wi-Fi wouldn't be an election expense. November it was approved to have Wi-Fi fixed in the office. Once this is fixed, there is a plan to send over to the hall from the office.
 - Eddy motion for Clerks office to receive \$6,000 budget for training and to get the election items out
 - DeShano amends the motion: to specifically put in the motion that billing will be itemized.
 - 2nd: DeShano
 - Roll Call: Campbell-Yes, Waldee-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
 - b. 2026-27 Budget Draft #2
 - DeShano: just information since there is a public hearing Wednesday
 - No Vote
 - c. Linwood Storm Water Station Invoice

- Waldee: had meeting Thursday with Pat (Clerk) and Mark (Supervisor) in Fraser going to try and pull a few more bids, 3 more quotes. They got the same info as us
- DeShano: spoke with Carrie Christian, moved the bill out for their [Fraser] next budget year
- DeShano: \$19,400 is for materials so they can get them on hand
- Campbell: only difference is the \$11,000 in labor
- DeShano: due date on invoice of April 8th
- Eddy: Motion to pay this amount out of this year (26-27) budget of \$19,478.77
 - 2nd: Campbell
 - Roll Call: Waldee-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Campbell-Yes, DeShano-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**

6. New Business

a. Bill Pay

- Waldee: \$14,691.81
- Waldee: End of the (fiscal) year, GL's got creative to avoid transferring money between accounts
- Eddy: motion to pay the bills
 - 2nd: DeShano
 - Roll Call: Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Waldee-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
- i. Linwood Civic Improvement Club Bill (LCIC)
 - Eddy: attended LCIC with Charlie last week, Charlie asked if we had the money to pay the bill from last year
 - DeShano: did look with Brian, on par with when we usually get it, climbing significantly every year
 - Campbell: liability at end of the road is different, more lawn, more maintenance, overall bill grew from approx. \$9,000/yr to \$15,000/yr
 - DeShano: concern going forward that it's not so open ended
 - Campbell: they're getting multiple lawn care estimates this year
 - Eddy: paid this bill in June last year, \$3,000
 - DeShano: will require more amending, once things are closed down for this Fiscal Year, will have a few final amendments to make, can't foresee everything, was already approved in Bill Pay

b. Direct Deposit

- DeShano: meeting with several bankers for payroll, got information on how to pivot into direct deposit. Will cost \$25/mo, will save that much in postage. Tentatively aiming for April 20th to be the first date. May have to move it depending on getting the forms in on time.

- Eddy: motion to move forward with direct deposit
 - 2nd: Waldee
 - Roll Call: DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
- c. Amend Bill Pay Resolution
 - DeShano: removing 2nd meeting, cleaning up documentation between two offices (Clerk and Treasurer) open up the ACH and EFT. Finalizing getting things back into the Clerks office.
 - Eddy: Motion to amend bill pay resolution
 - 2nd: DeShano
 - Roll Call: Campbell-Yes, Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Waldee-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
- d. Road Commission Chip and Seal Cost Estimate
 - DeShano: is there time to get comparative quote for chip and seal on Seidler
 - Eddy: need to know by the end of April what we're doing
 - Eddy motion to table until more conversation about budget
 - 2nd: DeShano
 - All in Favor: Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED** to table
- e. Budget Amendments 2025-26
 - Eddy motion to accept budget amendment for 2025-2026 FY
 - 2nd: Waldee
 - Roll Call: DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Waldee-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**
- f. Capacity Study Sewer System
 - Eddy: Fraser not getting cut, Bay County Dept of Water and Sewer gets a cut, Bayview Foods gets a cut, we [Township] get a cut because we own the infrastructure. Went to meeting E Michigan counsel of government in Bridgeport Township, Friday. Spoke with Rep Bierlein. Capacity study funding, sent letters to water/sewer trying to get state and federal funding
 - Eddy: positives with this being an agricultural need. Goal is to get funding from MI Dept of Agriculture and Rural Development.
 - Eddy: capacity study is from Bayview Foods to waste water treatment plant. This is a study for the future. Other municipalities want to tap in.
 - Campbell: cost was over \$1 million to touch that section
 - Eddy: this will not be a cheap project. Should have answers from higher level of government to help with funding.
 - DeShano: our 3rd of this capacity study comes from our sewer fund at DWS?
 - Eddy: believe we can work that out with Carrie
 - Waldee: almost \$10,000?

- Eddy: normally would have \$66,000 payment, paid it off last year
- DeShano: have 2 years left on annual assessment on Bayview
- DeShano: motion to move forward with capacity study
- 2nd: Campbell
 - Roll Call: Waldee-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Campbell-Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**

7. Communication

- Campbell: came in late afternoon, reference to Sandra L Page Trust, 204 Russell Rd Kawkawlin, MI. Submitted change of property lines to Kawkawlin Twp on 3/10/26 to current Township assessor for review and processing to Bay County office for changes. These conversations with assessors started in February 2026, has not been processed. Adjudicated in 2016, was not filed with Township until now. Please bring to the attention of the board as I wish to sell the property and need to have this recorded properly in order for us to proceed. (from David Page-Trustee of Sandra L. Page Trust, 204 Russell Rd)
- Eddy: Motion to accept communication
 - 2nd: Waldee
 - All In Favor: Yes
 - **MOTION PASSED**

8. Public Comment (2 minutes)

- Marty Hogan 885 S Linwood Beach Rd.
- Lisa Eurich Kawkawlin Township
- Chief Bernreuter - \$250 to activate new radios, can pay with credit card. New Kenwood Radios. Will be on new budget year. Spoke with Bach and they plan on coming out.

9. Adjournment

Eddy motion to adjourn at 7:10 PM 2nd: Waldee All in Favor: Yes

Next Meeting: April 13, 2026 at 6:30 PM