

**Board Meeting**  
**April 13, 2026 6:30 PM**  
**Kawkawlin Township Board**

1. Eddy called meeting to order with Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30PM
2. Roll Call: Whalen, DeShano, Eddy, Waldee, Campbell
3. Approval of Mins
  - a. 3/9/26: DeShano - public comment, 2<sup>nd</sup> speaker wrong address
    - i. Campbell: Motion to approve minutes with adjustment to the address
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Waldee
    - iii. All In Favor: Yes
    - iv. **MOTION PASSED**
  - b. 3/23/26: Eddy – public comment, 2<sup>nd</sup> round, need address for Lisa Eurich
    - i. Eddy: Motion to approve minutes with 2<sup>nd</sup> public comment to have address added
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Whalen
    - iii. All In Favor: Yes
    - iv. **MOTION PASSED**
4. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Eddy: amend to add Parks & Rec Report 7-D (Reports)
  - b. Campbell: Linwood Metro Water District, move to 10-D(Communications)
    - i. Eddy: read letter presented during New Business, no change
  - c. DeShano: Add modifications to resolutions – Old Business B: Modify resolutions. Spicer contract to be addressed under 9A.
  - d. Whalen: add 10-F Supervisors Recall Letter to lawyer, for discussion.
  - e. Tom Reif: request to add Zoning report to Department/Committee
    - i. Whalen: add 7-E
  - f. DeShano: 11-A has to be voted on, should be under 10-G
  - g. DeShano: Motion to approve agenda with the changes
    - i. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Campbell
    - ii. All In Favor: 4-Yes 1-No (Eddy)
    - iii. **MOTION PASSED**
5. Public Comment:
  - Jeff Klass, 1371 E Beaver Rd
  - Ken McConnell, 760 S Mackinaw Rd
6. Treasurer's Report
  - DeShano: nothing to add
  - Whalen: Motion to approve treasurer's report
    - o 2<sup>nd</sup>: Eddy
    - o Roll Call: Campbell-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Eddy-Yes

○ **MOTION PASSED**

7. Department/Committee Reports

a. Fire Department

i. Chief Bernreuter: leadership symposium at Double Tree on 5/14 I'd like to attend, all day, for \$79. Bangor is renovating their hall, would like to use ours for their academy graduation, 5/21 at 6pm, Thursday. Five of us attended a live burn at Saginaw City, about 4 hours long. Chief Ramsay, Pinconning had their annual meeting and blessing of aerial truck, Ramsay looking for \$120-125k to replace mobile radios (us, them, Garfield Township, Gibson Township, and Mount Forest Township) if this goes through, we don't have to spend 80k of our budget to replace radios. Station lighting: got quotes from Bach. \$1,350 for 8 hours of troubleshooting, \$1,850 to replace every lighting apparatus in the bay, radio room, bathroom, living quarters, and boiler room. Originally \$2,250, but \$400 consumers rebate = \$1,850. Jaws for training (cutters) not working, sent them in, have a spare set to use, have to be fixed. AFG Grant, working with DeShano just about done on her end of it. Dave put in for AFG grant for handheld radios for us, cost about \$2,000 for our portion when he sends in the grant to pay for the grant writer, approx. \$80-100k in radios for us, not out of our pocket. Staffing proposals: need to do something, Kurt is coming on to help a bit. Last year, Captain Bouchard and myself spent 7,054 hours here just the two of us. Can hire full time (2 more) to maintain current coverage. Amy (Schalk-Lieutenant) just got hired at Bangor FD full time, will cover when she can, leaves a weekend and one day open-need covered. Put in proposals for staffing and if I dropped back down to 40hrs/wk what my pay would be, best option is to hire two more full time. Last year 800 runs, when I started we were only running 250.

b. Sheriff's Report – next meeting

c. Building Report – next meeting

d. Parks and Recreation

i. Eddy: from Lisa Eddy (chair) 2<sup>nd</sup> Egg Hunt, great turn out. Moved indoors due to rain had 4,200 eggs divided by age group, 4 golden egg baskets, 1 per age group. Total 120 kids, estimated 250-300 people attended. Collected community donations valued at \$1,000 (including candy, gift cards, signs, and money) \$200 in checks submitted, \$123 worth of receipts submitted to Township for reimbursement. Leaving \$77 left for next event, \$0 used from Township budget. Sponsors: Garber Linwood, Village Towing, Bloom-Venix Family, Kawkawlin FD, Fulsinger Manufacturing, Linwood Hotel, Thrivent, Klender Design

e. Zoning Report

- i. Tom Reif: issued 5 zoning permits since February. Have 4 zoning permits pending, a couple waiting for possible amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (Planning Commission still working on it-meeting Thursday.) Approved sign replacement at Beaver Rd Jerky Outlet. Been working with Bay County on blight violation maps, floodplain maps, and Platt maps. Attended Planning Commission meetings, two ZBA meetings, worked with supervisor to identify possible zoning blight violations, created two notices of violation letter templates (blight and ordinance violations), researched alleged violations on GIS. Visited, investigated, and photographed total of 20 alleged violations – drafted 20 notice of violation letters, sent via certified mail to 13 addresses along with photos, pages from ordinance, and GIS photos. Received five green cards back from certified mail so far, spoke with 5 property owners all intend to comply. Collaborated with Whalen to identify areas of Zoning Ordinance that caused ZBA to meet more frequently, worked on language to amend Zoning Ordinance, Zoning map, and multiple revisions and graphs along the way. Collaborating with Mr. Hamilton (Don Hamilton) 4 requests:
  - a. 1-problem with R-1A district: draft amendments to put in front of Planning
  - b. 2-permission to research and draft tall grass/weeds ordinance
  - c. 3-requesting the board hold a special meeting 4/23 to consider recommendations from Planning regarding proposed amendments
  - d. 4-personal favor, to be excused from meeting.
- ii. DeShano: you sent 20 violations to 13 addresses, can those things be provided to the office to help us be able to help answer questions when they call?
- iii. Don Hamilton: working with Planning to solve problems caused by Zoning Ordinance, after the last month or so: it's an "impossible document to deal with." Charts and things that don't correspond. Have Zoning amendments being proposed. Request, per Tom, to hold special board meeting to make decisions before Tom leaves. Master Plan being worked on, should have working draft by next meeting.
  - a. Whalen: will put Toms above requests on the Special meeting on 4/23
- iv. Eddy: Motion to accept reports
  - a. 2<sup>nd</sup>: DeShano
  - b. All in Favor: Yes

c. **MOTION PASSED**

8. Bill Pay

- a. Fahey Schultz 25-26
  - i. Campbell: Motion to approve the check \$25,066.50
  - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Whalen
  - iii. Roll Call: DeShano-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Eddy-Yes
  - iv. **MOTION PASSED**
- b. Waldee: current bills = \$105,564.64
  - i. DeShano: EMCOG Invoice (\$220)
    - 1. Eddy: membership, for grant writing. Approved our energy ordinances for solar, wind, and battery storage with County
    - 2. DeShano: Not an invoice for grant writing?
    - 3. Eddy: Grant writing is done for free
  - ii. Campbell: Consumer's bill Linwood Rd, will call to check on it because it seems high
  - iii. Campbell: Motion to approve bills less the EMCOG Invoice for \$220 to be addressed later
    - 1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Whalen
    - 2. Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, Waldee-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Campbell-Yes
    - 3. **MOTION PASSED**

9. Old Business

- a. Linwood Beach Drainage Project Updates
  - i. Christian (Spicer): Mark sent proposal for contract that gets through final design, 3 components (Easement solicitation and preparation, environmental permitting, and final design). Timing: ready to start, still largely unknown. 40+ easements, coordination is complex. 3-4 months from the start of coordination with EGLE, could be longer. Some things can be done in parallel, biggest driver of the schedule is the easements. Easements timeline, hard to say exhibits and preparation possibly 1-2 months depending on how much research has to be done.
  - ii. DeShano: Grant period is from October 2025 to September 2030. Application has been completed, along with timeline. Application approved, in the agreement phase waiting for a call from the state.
  - iii. Campbell: Motion to accept the proposal for the \$175,000
  - iv. Eddy: 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - v. Roll Call: Waldee-Yes, Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Campbell-Yes
  - vi. **MOTION PASSED**

b. Modify Resolutions

- i. Waldee: the difference is .0005 of a cent. Resolution is to give each of the Trustee's .0005 of a cent on their pay rate to make sure the books balance.
- ii. Eddy: reads proposed resolution for Trustee Whalen (Support from DeShano) \$5,293.08
  1. Roll Call: DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes / Whalen-abstained
  2. **MOTION PASSED**
- iii. ED: reads proposed resolution for Trustee Campbell (Waldee) \$5,293.08
  1. Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Waldee-Yes / Campbell-abstained
  2. **MOTION PASSED**

10. New Business

a. Printer – Clerks office

- i. Waldee: specifically needed for voter ID cards, requires specific paper size. Prefers Brother MCF L3780 CDW wireless.
- ii. DeShano: \$639.62 with high yield toner
- iii. Eddy: how much do you think it should cost?
- iv. Waldee: \$750-800 to be safe
- v. Eddy: Motion to purchase printer for clerks' office for up to \$800
  1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Whalen
  2. Roll Call: Campbell-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes Whalen-Yes
  3. **MOTION PASSED**

b. Linwood Metro Water District

- i. Eddy: reads letter from treasurer of Linwood Metropolitan Water District, intention to dissolve water district.

c. Lawncare Bid Openings (Eddy reads bids)

- i. Great Lakes Landscape
- ii. Nuffer's Property Maintenance
- iii. Desired Lawncare
- iv. R Lawn Maintenance LLC
- v. Redline Lawncare
- vi. Pro-Scape Landscaping
- vii. Eddy: Motion to hire Desired Lawncare LLC for 2026 and pay in full for cash discount (\$14,040)
  1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Whalen
  2. Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-abstained
  3. **MOTION PASSED**

- d. EMCOG Invoice
  - i. Eddy: Motion to pay EMCOG (\$220) Invoice for Kawkawlin Township
  - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Campbell
  - iii. Roll Call: Waldee-Yes, Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Campbell-Yes
  - iv. **MOTION PASSED**
- e. MI Class Resolution
  - i. DeShano: investment vehicle to keep funds liquid, compliant with public act 20, highly recommended by other municipalities. Less than 24 hours for money to move into account. Being explored as an option, need to find a place to put the grant proceeds.
  - ii. Eddy: is the proposal to put the \$1.9m into MI Class?
  - iii. DeShano: starting to look into for that purpose, needs to be kept separately. Proposing as an option, not a final destination.
  - iv. Whalen: would this just be for the grant?
  - v. DeShano: can be used several different ways.
  - vi. Eddy: wanting to pass for an option?
  - vii. Waldee: this is preemptive move while still doing research?
  - viii. DeShano: this is authorization to complete paperwork to move towards this but not ready to “pull the trigger.”
  - ix. Eddy reads proposed resolution
  - x. Whalen: Motion to look deeper into MI Class and insurance for \$1.9m grant and to create the account, not approving resolution until treasurer is confident in MI Class
    - 1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Eddy
    - 2. DeShano: if not comfortable/willing to sign resolution, table it
  - xi. Eddy: Motion to table
    - 1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Whalen
    - 2. Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Waldee-Yes, Campbell-Yes
    - 3. **MOTION PASSED**
- f. Supervisors Recall Letter to Lawyer
  - i. Whalen: not okay with 12pg+ letter going to the township lawyer for personal recall.
  - ii. Trent Cunningham (Township attorney): as township attorney, we do not represent or bill for any one person in the township
- g. Fire Department Wagner Recommendation Letter
  - i. Eddy: Motion to hire Kurt Wagner
  - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Campbell

iii. Roll Call: Campbell-Yes, Eddy-Yes, Whalen-Yes, Waldee-Yes, DeShano-Yes

iv. **MOTION PASSED**

h. SIDE BAR, not added to agenda:

i. DeShano [to Chief Bernreuter]: do you need authorization to move forward on LED install?

ii. Campbell: Motion to replace LED Lighting for \$1,900

iii. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Eddy

iv. Roll Call: Whalen-Yes, Campbell-Yes, Eddy-Yes, DeShano-Yes, Waldee-Yes

v. **MOTION PASSED**

#### 11. Communications

a. Lapham Associates

i. Eddy: Contract for information

b. Email regarding February 23

i. Whalen: as of this morning, there were two emails

ii. Campbell: reads email from Alexa Halberg on 4/10/26

iii. Campbell: refers to 2<sup>nd</sup> email

1. Eddy: states this is an anonymous person, not a “real” person

2. 2<sup>nd</sup> email not read

#### 12. Public Comment

a. Ken McConnell 760 S Mackinaw Rd

b. Jeremy Blohm 2110 Fraser

c. Jeff Klass 1371 E Beaver Rd

d. Sandy Raffa 874 Fraser Rd

#### 13. Adjournment

a. Eddy Motion to adjourn at 8:24 PM

b. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Whalen

c. All in Favor: Yes

d. **MOTION PASSED**

**Next Scheduled Meeting: June 8, 2026 6:30 PM**