

Warsaw Township
Township Board Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Clerk Darla Frandrup called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Duwain Egland, Larry Madsen, Emery Maher, Diane McCorkell, Darla Frandrup and Road Supervisor: Bob Flom

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Supervisor Maher to approve the minutes as read; Supervisor Madsen seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Chairperson

Motion made by Supervisor Egland to elect Supervisor Madsen as the new Town Board Chairperson; Supervisor Maher seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Swearing-In

Duwain Egland was sworn in as a supervisor for a 3-year term.

Pat and Elizabeth Otterness – Shed with Temporary Living Quarters

The Otternesses proposed building a pole shed with temporary living quarters on their property at 38080 County 14 Blvd., Dennison. Emery consulted with a MAT attorney about filing paperwork to designate the building permanently as a shed, with a provision that Pat Otterness may live there until his passing. Dewey raised concerns about enforcement, noting similar shop spaces in the township. Motion to approve the building permit made by Duwain Egland; seconded by Larry Madsen. Motion passed.

Sheriff's Visit

A deputy stopped by to ask if the township had any questions or concerns. The Township has been relatively quiet and no questions or concerns were raised.

37350 County 14 Blvd. – Property Review

Darla received a phone call from a realtor concerning the sale of this 52 acre property. The property received a permit for a replacement dwelling (top of hill) and the permit was extended in 2019 as they ran into issues while building. When researching the history of this property, the minutes from June, 2000 read that the lower home (yellow house) could be kept as an office as long as it was never used as a dwelling. The township's permit was for a replacement home and the lower home should never be used as a dwelling.

Emery will research with the County, and he and Dewey will follow up with the owners for clarification.

Road Tour Update

- Rock was found in several ditches due to loose conditions during plowing.
- Overall road conditions are good.
- Roads noted for rocking:
 - Intersection at 345th
 - Warsaw Trail
 - 53rd Ave Way
- Trees noted around the box culvert on 30th Ave.

Bob Flom reported that 10 miles of township roads are scheduled to be rocked this year.

Columbus Day Resolution

A resolution was signed making Columbus Day an optional holiday to avoid moving the October township meeting in future years.

Motion to approve the resolution made by Emery Maher; seconded by Duwain Eglund. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Cannon Falls Fire Contract Review

- 2024: \$14,680
- 2025: \$15,267
- Increase of \$587

Motion to accept made by Duwain Eglund; seconded by Emery Maher. Motion carried.

Fund Transfer

Motion made by Duwain Eglund to transfer \$50,000 from Road & Bridge to Revenue; seconded by Emery Maher. Motion carried.

Town Hall Interior Renovation – Wood Doc Bid

Bid includes scraping old paint, filling holes, painting trim and interior, replacing south flooring, adding chair rail, and six window shades – total cost: \$8,468.

Motion to accept bid made by Duwain Eglund; seconded by Larry Madsen. Motion carried.

Town Hall Parking Lot

Dewey will obtain a bid for concrete installation on the Town Hall parking lot.

ACCEPT BILLS AND SIGN CHECKS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made Duwain to adjourn the meeting; seconded. Emery All in favor; motion carried.

Approved on May 12, 2025

Larry Madsen, Chairman

Darla Frandrup, Clerk

Reorganization Meeting

April 14, 2025

1. Adopt a schedule of board's regular meetings and post. The Warsaw Township Board will continue meeting regularly on the **2nd Monday of the month at 6 PM.**
 - a. It is optional to meet on October 13, 2025 - Columbus Day. A resolution was signed to allow the Board to meet on this day.
2. Designate an official newspaper - **Kenyon Leader and Cannon Falls Beacon**
3. Set compensation
4. Designate one or more posting places in township – **Township Hall Board**
5. Designate a bank as the township depository – **Heritage Bank Dennison**
6. Confirm the Town Financial Reporting Form has been completed and returned to the State Auditor's office. Diane McCorkell confirms the form has been mailed to the State Auditor's office.
7. Set the person responsible for lawn care at the Town Hall. **Bob Flom** will continue the lawn care responsibilities at the Town Hall.

Motion made by Supervisor Emery Maher to accept the Reorganization minutes as stated above; Supervisor Duwain Egland seconded. All in favor; motion carried.