

**Warsaw Township
Township Board Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2025**

Call to Order:

Chair Larry Madsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present:

Duwain Eglund, Larry Madsen, Emery Maher, Diane McCorkell, Darla Frandrup

Road Supervisor: Bob Flom

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Duwain to approve the minutes as read; Emery seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

New Business

Goodhue County Sheriff Updates

Deputy Mike reported that Warsaw Township has been very quiet and asked if there had been any recent issues. Occasionally, there are complaints about loud motorcycles on County Road #9. A question was raised about traffic in Sogn Valley, but Deputy Mike confirmed there have been no recent calls. He encouraged the board to reach out at any time if concerns arise.

Building Permit

Address: 33930 Hwy 56 Blvd – approximately one mile south of the Stanton airport. Wayne Groth presented a site plan for a proposed addition to their home. Motion to approve the building permit: Emery first, Duwain seconded. The permit was approved unanimously.

Oath of Office

Deputy Treasurer Kari Flom was sworn in. A new signature card for Heritage Bank was signed to add Kari as an official check signer for township banking needs. Motion to approve: Duwain first, Larry seconded. The updated signers at the bank were approved.

Discussion – Jenni Becht Property Use Proposal

Jenni Becht, a florist and floral design instructor, shared her vision for her property located at 36610 County 24 Blvd. She plans to hold small floral workshops that may also incorporate farm animals and photography. The concept includes an immersive, creative experience involving making flower arrangements, student learning, and photography.

Part of her long-term plan includes glamping—a form of upscale camping in pre-rented, elevated tents. The proposal involves a maximum of 5–7 tents and fewer than 20 guests at a time.

Future additions might include a small-scale farm experience, such as feeding baby animals, akin to a petting zoo.

To move forward with these ideas, Jenni would need to apply for an Interim Use Permit, which costs \$900. The permit process would require a detailed proposal, including but not limited to specific information on:

- Number of events and attendees
- Hours of operation
- Traffic and parking plans
- Bathroom facilities
- Potential impact on neighbors

Important Note: If Jenni hosts fewer than four flower educational arranging events per year, no permit is required. This would not include tents or overnight guests.

She was encouraged to speak with neighbors in advance, as they would have the opportunity to weigh in during the permit review process. Maintaining a positive relationship with neighboring residents and minimizing disruption will be key to moving forward successfully.

Gravel Charge – Stanton Township

Road Supervisor Bob Flom reported that he spread 5 loads of rock on 340th Street Way, a shared maintenance road with Stanton Township. The total cost of the gravel was \$637.50. The Board directed Darla to send a bill to Stanton Township for their share.

Certificate of Deposit (CD)

The Township's Certificate of Deposit will mature on May 25, 2025, with a current balance of \$58,239.43. A motion was made by Duwain to cash out the CD; Emery seconded. Motion carried.

Parking Lot Quote Discussion

A quote from Lenny Dohlman was received for resurfacing the township parking lot with concrete for \$38,000. Bill Robinson's Quote for asphalt (tar): \$19,000 for a commercial-grade 3-inch mat. The lot measures 5,850 square feet. The asphalt surface was originally installed approximately 40 years ago.

- Emery and Bob would handle the removal of the existing surface.
- A \$5,000 down payment would be required, with the balance due upon completion from Bill Robinson
- Emery will follow up to request a quote for a 4-inch asphalt mat to compare pricing.
- Bob noted a concern about the slope at the entrance and the potential for the grader wing to catch unless raised sufficiently.
- Concrete would better handle the stress of the grader and truck traffic, but the board questioned whether the higher cost is justified.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Dewey to adjourn the meeting; Larry seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Approved on June 9, 2025

Larry Madsen, Chairman

Darla Frandrup, Clerk