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Osceola Township Meeting Minutes  
July 9, 2025, 6:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Mark Halkola on July 9, 2025, at 6:15 PM at the Osceola Township Board Room. Board members present were Mark Halkola, Christa Gardner, Christina Gardner, Aaron Janke, and Don Wareham.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke, to approve the agendas presented. AVIF

Motion by Christina Gardner, supported by Janke, to accept the minutes from June 11, 2025, Meeting Minutes; June 26, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes. AVIF

Motion by Wareham, supported by Christa Gardner to approve the financial reports for: General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC Utility, and OT utility funds. AVIF

Motion by Wareham, supported by Christina Gardner for payment of the bills: General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC utility, and OT utility funds to also include a bill from Wuebben Construction as presented for \$13,112.00 (increase of \$1,500). Roll call vote: 5 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 6:25 PM. No public comment was offered. Public Comment closed at 6:25 PM.

Reports:

- a. Assessor: Written report submitted. July BOR will be held on July 22 at 12:00 PM.
- b. Maintenance: Written report submitted.
- c. OT Utility Board Action items: No action items.
- d. DBVFD: No report submitted. Ron reported that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July went well – there were no issues.
- e. First Responders: Written report submitted.
- f. TCVFD: Written report submitted.
- g. TC Utility Board: Written report submitted. Feedback is being received by members on the draft ordinance. A concern about unauthorized use of hydrants was brought up. A request has been made by the TCUB to do a second flushing of the hydrants prior to fall. TC Utility Board members voted: Steve Klein, Chairperson; Don Wareham, Vice-Chairperson; Charlie Westphal, Secretary.  
Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke to have the hydrants in Tamarack City checked, turning off and back on.  
Motion passed with one dissenting vote.
- h. TLASA: Written report submitted.
- i. NHCWSA: No report submitted.
- j. Community Compost Site: Evan Lanese, WUPPDR gave an update on the status of the project. A \$50,000 grant was submitted; results will be out by the end of July. Still examining running as a for-profit venture, or looking into running it through a non-profit, such as WUPPDR. CCRI will be hosting a composting initiative at the Orpheum Theater on August 28 at 6PM. Mark has followed up with the township attorney about the use of public land by a “for-profit” entity. There are options such as leasing the land, and the group having tax obligations that the township can seek. More information is being worked on by the township attorney.

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- k. Supervisor report: The dredge ad-hoc committee meets tomorrow. Many letters of support have been received. TL Pac letter is included in the packet. The Vet ad-hoc committee met recently, more information is in the packet, including a diagram with the idea of pavers around the Honor Roll. Additional KIA honor display is also being discussed. Blight control, with junk cars and garbage being the focus, will begin next week. Spoke with the landowner that has property partially in Osceola and Franklin Townships about the possibility of a land swap. Meeting with township attorney about multiple items, including a trailer near the wells, composing, the need for a heavy truck ordinance, and the bankruptcy issue. Waiting on Franklin Township to meet with the Coast Guard to decide on a Town Hall meeting about a sewer line. Road work is mostly done, Elm and Fir are done except the shoulder work to taper in. Dust control is also done. UPPCO lighting phase 3 is next. Possible new light list being worked on, not completed yet.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Township Road Projects – Mentioned in Supervisor’s report.
- b. TES Offer for TC Water System – discuss at possible upcoming special meeting?

Tabled Business:

- a. Town Hall Meetings – leave on table

New Business:

- a. Audit is beginning.
- b. Preparation for August 5, 2025, election.
- c. Special Meeting/Work Session – Budgets – review, amendments, etc. July 28, 2025, at 5:30 PM at the township office.

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 7:18 PM. Jim Siira mentioned the need for sewer line includes a property owned by Moyle. Also questioned the class of road that logging trucks are driving on. Public comment closed at 7:19 PM.

Adjourn: Motion by Christina Gardner, supported by Wareham to adjourn at 7:19 PM. AVIF

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 6:30 PM at the Osceola Township office Board Room.