

Deerwood Township
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Deerwood Town Hall
December 8, 2025
7:00pm

Board of Supervisors:

Scott Brix-Supervisor

Josh Thompson – Vice-Chairman

David Gray – Chairman

Carol Pundt– Clerk

Amy Donovan - Treasurer

Steve Reilly – Road Overseer

Present: David Gray, Amy Donovan, Steve Reilly, Josh Thompson, Scott Brix, Carol Pundt

Absent: None

Attendees: Dennis and Mary Leisten, Gloria Bordwell, Brad Bordwell, Debbie and Jim Campbell, Dan Haqgerstein, Robert Pesola, Chris Lindeman

David Gray called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded Scott Brix to approve the agenda. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by Scott Brix to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2025, Regular Monthly Board meeting. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by David Gray and seconded by Josh Thompson to approve the Treasurer’s Report, subject to audit, for the month ending November 30, 2025. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Claims: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by Scott Brix to accept and approve the claims for the month of December totaling \$91,937.28 (ck# 10791-10808, EFT-F-12-2025, EFT-P-12-2025, and EFT-W-12-2025). All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Roads:

Road Overseer’s Report/Steve Reilly: Steve reported to the Board \$319,552.00 out of an approved budget of \$425,990.00 has been spent on roads in the Township so far this year. Steve is working on the proposed 2026 budget in the amount \$342,165.00.

Cascade/Black Lake Road Improvement Project: The project has been completed except for additional shouldering in a couple of locations.

Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP): Steve told the Board after much research this grant program has little if any application to Townships.

Emergency Preparedness Grant Discussion: Steve has applied for a grant in the amount of \$3,800.00 for cots bedding and a safe place to store the equipment.

Deer Trail Drive: Steve updated the Board regarding the approximate cost of the project to move the intersection where Deer Trail connects with Agate Lake Road. It was discussed by the Board that a site meeting would be necessary this spring (April) to include residents, landowners (living along Deer Trail), surveyors and the road construction company hired to do the project. Gloria Bordwell is willing to sell a piece

of her property (possible ¼ acrea) to the Township for the road and right of way for what an appraiser would value the property. Both the Township and Gloria want the roadway to be safe for public use. The Township will pay for all costs involved with the purchase of the property.

Vision Drive: Mary Leisten and several others living along Vision Drive signed a petition regarding a request to repair the cul-de-sac in either 2026 or 2027. The Board will consider their request when preparing the levy for 2027.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to set the date and time for a 3-year contract for road maintenance and snow/ice control for March 9, 2026, at 7pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

Dust Control: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to approve dust control for Deer Trail in 2026. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

John Deer Tractor: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by Scott Brix for Steve to try to sell the tractor for parts. If that is not possible in the next couple of weeks to have the tractor scrapped. All voted in favor of the motion. It would cost approximately \$9,000 to fix the tractor which is not worth the cost of fixing since the tractor is 36 years old. Steve will discuss and get direct approval from David Gray on what options should be taken.

Bituminous Seal Coating Projects for 2026: More discussion at the January Board meeting

Variance Request: A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to take no action regarding the variance request for Lakes Premier Storage, LLC. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to recommend approval of the after the fact variance request for Robert and Monica Pesola. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Town Hall Plant Update: Nothing to report.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to set the date and time of January 12, 2026, for the Reorganization meeting. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Josh Thompson and seconded by David Gray to set the date and time of February 3, 2026, for the budget/Audit meeting. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Other Business to Come Before the Board: Nothing Discussed by the Board.
All emails/correspondence received by the Township were reviewed by the Board.

A motion was made by David Gray and seconded by Scott Brix to adjourn the meeting at 8:07m. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Attest:

Supervisor: _____ Dated: _____

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