

**Wheatland Township Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 8, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Crouner at 8:27 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Crouner led the pledge of allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Board Members: Trustees Jones, Rotkis and Tyson attended the meeting. Trustee Krzywinski was absent.

Board Officers: Supervisor Crouner, Clerk Liskey, Assessor Katzberg, and Highway Commissioner Wieser attended the meeting. Tax Collector/Cemetery David Scriven-Young was absent.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.1. Approval of March 13, 2025 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes

- Trustee Rotkis motioned to open discussion/approval of the minutes from the February 13, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, and Trustee Jones seconded the motion.
- The minutes from February 13, 2025, Regular Board Meeting were approved 5-0 via roll-call vote.

5.2 Approval of January 9, 2025 – Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes

- Supervisor Crouner motioned to open discussion/approval of the January 9, 2025, Executive Session meeting minutes which had been deferred from the February Board Meeting. Trustee Rotkis seconded the motion.
- Minutes from the Jan 9 Executive Session Meeting were approved 5-0 via roll call vote.

6. NEW BUSINESS

7. APPROVAL OF BILLS & CLAIMS

7.1 Town and Road District Fund Bills & Claims

- Trustee Rotkis motioned to open discussion/approval of the April 2025 Town and Road District Fund Bills and Claims and Trustee Jones seconded the motion.
- Trustee Krzywinski asked for clarification of a ComEd bill included in the bill that was an overcharge due to previous billing issue.
- Monthly bills and claims of \$214,701.06 were unanimously approved by the Board 5-0 via roll-call vote.

8. REPORTS

8.1 Administrator/Deputy Clerk Green

- Reported he is going to Metro Township Association to discuss the bill to eliminate townships.
- Noted Narcan continues to be used provided by Wheatland Township; noting the supply is donated from Will County Health Dept.

8.2 Assessor Katzberg

- Updated several new construction assessments were in process and noted the assessor's staff had begun assisting residents prepare for the appeals process that will begin on August 6.
- Trustee Rotkis asked about a payroll increase of \$34k on March 31 (up from \$19k on March 15). Assessor Katzberg explained the increase was for bonus payments awarded to four employees to compensate for significant amounts of extra work that is due to staffing challenges. She also noted the increase was still below the \$40k budgeted for salaries during that timeframe.

8.3 Road Commissioner Wieser

Updated that the easement and right-of-way plans Gorman facility, which were presented to the Board at the March meeting, are under legal review and informed a resolution will be presented for Board vote in a special meeting.

8.4 Trustees Reports:

Trustee Jones

-No report

Trustee Krzywinski

-Absent

Trustee Rotkis

-No report

Trustee Tyson

-Informed the first Senior Lunch of 2025 would be held on Wednesday, April 16 at the Wheatland Salem Church and feature a presentation by Tara Neff, Executive Director of the Nature Foundation.

8.5 Clerk Liskey

- no report

8.6 Tax Collector/Cemetery David Scriven-Young

- Via written report, updated that no grave sales or burials in March.

8.7 Supervisor Crowner

- Declined further comment noting extensive report provided at the 2025 Annual Town meeting which took place prior to the April Board meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- Trustee Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Trustee Rotkis seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m. via voice vote.

**Next Regular Township Board Meeting:
May 8, 2025, at 7:30 PM**

Approved by: Anita Liskey
Clerk, Wheatland Township