

Standish Township Board
Meeting Minutes
~~1/13/2025~~
2026

1. Call to Order

Supervisor Sajdak called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:32 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present: Melissa Jennings, Connie Proulx, Amy Buttrick, Dustin Cardinal, Corey Sajdak

Absent: None

3. Agenda as Presented.

- Motion to accept the agenda
 - Motion made by Buttrick and seconded by Jennings
 - Voice Vote - Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
 - Motion Carried

- Motion to approve Minutes from 12/9/25 with correction to add "residents" under 8. Announcements. Corrected minutes will read "Aquatic Weed Assessment for Whites Beach must be initiated by residents."
 - Motion made by Cardinal and seconded by Proulx
 - Voice vote - Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
 - Motion Carried

- Motion to approve full month of December 2025 bills.

- Motion made by Buttrick and seconded by Jennings.
- Voice vote - Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
- Motion Carried

4. Reports

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- ❖ Met with Bay County DWS and Pinconning Township to discuss water distribution contract and water system maintenance.
- ❖ Attended the Road Commission quarterly supervisor's meeting.
- ❖ Attended the Standish Fire Authority special meeting.
- ❖ Met with Jonathan Edwards from Michigan Rural Water Association to discuss our sewer and water projects.
- ❖ Working with Warren Creamer from MFCI to determine water rates for Whites Beach.
- ❖ Talked with Dan Robb about the requirements of operating the Township's water system. He will be able to do everything we need from an operation standpoint.

CLERK'S REPORT

- ❖ Trees/branches down at cemetery
- ❖ Training on BS&A
- ❖ Verbal breakdown of

payroll \$8,090.63

book of bills \$25,376.01

Water/Sewer bills \$33,308.46 construction, engineering, permit and attorney costs

Total = \$95,723.80 with tax disbursement \$268,580.36

TRESURER'S REPORT

- ❖ Received check from the State of Michigan for \$30,768.00 for Constitutional Revenue Sharing for the months of September and October Tax Collections. ($1701 \times \$18.0881 = \$30,768.00$)
- ❖ Received check from the State of Michigan for \$88,525.20 for watermain extension and an EFT for same amount.
- ❖ Received check for \$27.50 from Arenac Auto Recycling for 2026 Junkyard License.

- ❖ We have a Resolution to make changes for some parcels regarding garbage assessment – some need to be removed some added.
- ❖ We have a Resolution authorizing the use of a computerized database as the tax roll for the Arenac County Treasurer’s Office.

❖ Bank Balances as of 12/31/2025 are as follows:

• General Fund	\$1,618,217.19
• Payroll	\$38,402.92
• Tax	\$202,658.30
• Water Fund	\$533,151.11
• Sewer Fund	\$67,991.87
• WB Con	\$28,349.20
• CD	\$280,157.14

TRUSTEE CARDINAL’S REPORT

- ❖ Two Hall rentals in December
- ❖ Zero scheduled for January and one rental in February

TRUSTEE BUTTRICK’S REPORT

- ❖ Briefed on Planning Board meeting held on 1/6/2026

ASSESSOR’S REPORT

ZONING REPORT

- ❖ One land use permit at 5290 Liberty. House to be removed.
- ❖ The usual calls concerning Twp matters and real estate questions.
- ❖ No complaints.

5. Unfinished Business

- ❖ Noxious Weed Ordinance – Explained ordinance and changes made and the fact that it can be adjusted if issues arise.

- Motion to approve Noxious Weed Ordinance 2026-01 made by Cardinal and seconded by Jennings
 - Roll Call Vote – Jennings, Proulx Cardinal, Buttrick, Sajdak all Aye votes
- Motion carried Noxious Weed Ordinance 2026-01 is adopted

6. New Business

❖ Resolution 2026-01: Regular Meeting Schedule 2026

- Motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 made by Proulx and seconded by Cardinal
 - Roll Call Vote – Jennings, Proulx, Cardinal, Buttrick, Sajdak all Aye votes
- Motion Carried, Resolution 2026-01 adopted

❖ Resolution 2026-02: Garbage Removal or Additions from Special Assessment Roll

- Motion to approve Resolution 2026-02 made by Buttrick and seconded by Jennings
 - Roll Call Vote – Jennings, Proulx, Cardinal, Buttrick, Sajdak all Aye votes
- Motion Carried, Resolution 2026-02 adopted

❖ Resolution 2026-03: Authorizing the Use of a Computerized Database as the Tax Roll

- Motion to approve Resolution 2026-03 made by Cardinal and seconded by Jennings
 - Roll Call Vote – Jennings, Proulx, Cardinal, Buttrick, Sajdak all Aye votes
- Motion Carried, Tax Roll Resolution 2026-03 adopted

❖ Tax Collection at Independent Bank: Tabled to February meeting

- Motion to Table to February meeting by Buttrick and seconded by Proulx
- Voice Vote – Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
- Motion Carried

❖ **Resolution 2026-04: Poverty Exemption 2026-04**

- Motion to approve Resolution 2026-04 made by Cardinal and seconded by Jennings
 - Roll Call Vote – Jennings, Proulx Cardinal, Buttrick, Sajdak all Aye votes
- Motion Carried, Poverty Exemption Resolution 2026-04 adopted

❖ **Roads**

- The Supervisor went over the details from the quarterly supervisor's meeting at the Arenac County Road Commission. The Township's 60/40 match will remain the same. Other funding is still undetermined. More to come when the information becomes available.

❖ **Heritage Route: Membership dues to the local Heritage Route Authority**

- Motion to pay \$851.00 for Standish Twp's Annual membership to the Arenac County Heritage Route Authority made by Proulx and seconded by Jennings
 - Roll Call Vote – Jennings, Proulx, Cardinal, Buttrick, Sajdak all Aye votes
- Motion Carried to pay membership dues

❖ **Cemetery: Tree removal**

- Motion to Table to February meeting by Buttrick and seconded by Cardinal
- Voice Vote – Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
- Motion Carried

❖ **Miss Dig Membership: Membership dues**

- Motion to allow Supervisor to sign membership with Miss Dig on behalf of Standish Twp made by Cardinal and seconded by Buttrick
 - Roll Call Vote – Jennings, Proulx Cardinal, Buttrick, Sajdak all Aye votes
- Motion Carried approve Supervisor to sign membership

❖ Whites Beach Sewer and Water Update

- Discussed over payment to Lake State Railway
- The City of Pinconning is reaching out wanting to know Standish Township's plans for sewer. The Supervisor went over the options and mentioned that the township is currently pursuing a lagoon system. There was a consensus of the board to have the Supervisor bring the options with the associated costs to the board to make a determination at a future meeting.

Watermain Update

All connections have been made. Testing still needs to be completed from the railroad crossing to the Whites Beach site.

Sewer Update

Correction request on NPDES permit application was received, corrections have been made and resubmitted on January 6th. Reviewing preliminary construction estimate and funding. Continuing discussions with USDA and EGLE regarding the lagoon option.

Site Update

The aboveground piping, insulation, and concrete floor have been installed in the pole barn. Consumers are working on installing gas line to the building this week. Waiting for Consumers electrical installation to be scheduled. Wall sheeting, electrical, booster pumps and chem feed installation will be starting this month.

7. Public Comment

The purpose of the public comment period is for members of the public to inform the governing body of their views. Public Comment was held.

8. Announcements:

- Need Zoning Board of Appeals alternates
- Need Board of Review Alternates

- Aquatic Weed assessment for Whites Beach (Point Wenonah) must be initiated by residents

9. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn Meeting
 - Motion made by Cardinal and seconded by Buttrick
 - Voice vote of Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
 - Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Melissa Jennings



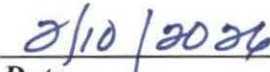
Corey Sajdak, Supervisor



Date



Melissa Jennings, Clerk



Date