

Draft Minutes of Regular Meeting, June 15, 2026

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, June 15, 2026 at 5:00 pm in a Regular Meeting at Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne St, in accordance with rules of Council and applicable law with President Schweikhardt presiding.

Those present were: Council Members, Ron Boxell, Michelle Schweikhardt, Megan Thompson; Scott Canady absent; Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Dustin Fortney; Doug Karst of Utility Supply, Linda Smith- Salamonie Township Trustee; Others.

Special Order of Business: Doug Karst of Utility Supply presented options to improve data collection from Neptune radio read water meters to the data collection center. After review, a quote of \$21,374.12 for updating of 83 old type radio read meters to improve the Neptune reading system was considered. The remaining 500 meters are a newer model. Thompson moved, seconded by Boxell, to accept the quote. Approved by Thompson, Boxell, Schweikhardt.

Minutes of May 11 Regular Meeting minutes, and May 19 Executive and Special Meeting minutes approved by consensus.

Linda Smith, Salamonie Township Trustee, reported on State Law changes regarding certain requirements regarding Volunteer Fire Departments, need for a Resolution to set fees and charges within the Department, and need for update to the Jackson Township, Wells County, contract amount for fire protection. Special meeting set for Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup> to meet with Advisory Board and Town Council and Fire Chief for discussion of issues. Meeting to be at 5:00 pm., Town Annex.

Fortney submitted May Utility Activity Report. By consensus, a request for extended employment of the part time employer of the Utility/Street Department until October for two days a week was approved by consensus.

Ordinance 2026-11, Second Deputy Salary/Benefit Ordinance submitted setting wage at \$24.04 per hour with \$2000 increase after 60 day probation period and additional \$2000 following completion of Law Enforcement Academy – September to December. Schweikhardt moved, seconded by Boxell to suspend rules to allow for consideration of adoption at the same meeting as introduction as the date of hire is this date. Motion carried. Boxell moved, seconded by Schweikhardt seconded, to adopt Ordinance 2026-11. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2026-10, Placement of Stop Sign at VanMalson and Halliday Drive, submitted for consideration of adoption as was introduced. Schweikhardt moved, seconded by Thompson, to adopt Ordinance 2026-10. Motion carried. Ordinance will be published within two weeks.

Discussion held concerning sale of Scout Cabin which had been approved by a previous Council. By consensus, approval given to move forward with steps to prepare for sale.

American Legal Publishing contract for codification of Ordinances was submitted at the cost of \$6645 including update on Warren Webpage. Schweikhardt moved, seconded by Thompson, to accept the contract. Motion carried.

Work Session Reminder – June 22, 4:30 meeting with grant administrator and engineer.

Real Estate Attorney has confirmed availability for the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Ordinance 2026-13, Apprentice Training Wage .25 per hour Increase, submitted as Wade (Water) and Farr (Sewer) have completed second phase of training. Thompson moved, seconded by Boxell to suspend rules to allow for consideration of adoption at the same meeting as introduction as the notice from AWWA was official ten days prior. Motion carried. Schweikhardt moved, seconded by Boxell, to adopt Ordinance 2026-13. Motion carried.

Warren Service and Supply preparing quotes for repair/replacement of two air conditioning units at the Warren Boys and Girls Club Building as one is not operational and one is leaking freon. Quote not received as yet.

Claims Register in the amount of \$461,595.10 submitted for Council consideration. Following review, approval by consensus.

Payroll Accounts Payable Register submitted in the amount of \$37,467.01. Approval by consensus following review.

2027 Budget Calendar set. Meeting with Department of Local Government Finance set for July 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am.

Announcements : July 13 Regular Meeting, 5:00 Real Estate Attorney

Work Session June 22, 4:30 Grant Admin, Engineer

July 20 Special Meeting, 5:00 Township, Town, FireDepartment

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Submitted \_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn Morrison Clerk-Treasurer

Warren Town Council:

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Michelle Schweikhardt  
President

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Ron Boxell  
Vice President

Absent \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Canady  
Member

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Megan Thompson  
Member