

Village of Waldron
102 S. Main St.
Waldron, MI 49288
April 8, 2025

The 2025 April meeting was held on April 8, 2025, at the Wright-Waldron Municipal Building. President Shawn Barnhart called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. All stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call was taken with Trustees Brian Bernath, Emil Gravelle, Allison Harwood, Stacie Shamplo and President Shawn Barnhart present, and trustee Dakota Potter absent.

Public Comment

None.

Emil Gravelle made a motion to approve the agenda. Brian Bernath supported the motion, and it carried with a voice vote.

Emil Gravelle made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 11, 2025. Allison Harwood supported, and it carried with a voice vote.

Brian Bernath moved to approve the special meeting minutes of March 18, 2025. supported, and it carried with a voice vote.

Stacie Shamplo moved to approve the special meeting minutes of March 20, 2025. Allison Harwood supported, and it carried with a voice vote.

Reports to Council

Trustee Allison Harwood reported for Fire Board. They had a total of 15 calls for the month of February.

Street Administrator Shawn Barnhart reported for maintenance. They have been working on weekly brush pickup, cleaning drains, assisting with the sewer main plug, and fixing holes along street berms.

Street Administrator Shawn Barnhart reported that the new tires have been mounted on the GMC dump truck, and he assisted with the sewer main plug.

President Shawn Barnhart briefly went over the written water and sewer reports.

The written utility billing report was provided.

No report for code enforcement.

Emil Gravelle reported for the Planning & Zoning Commission. They did not meet in April due to extenuating circumstances. Their next meeting is May 6, 2025, at 5 p.m.

There were no committee meetings, but Trustee Allison Harwood stated she would order the new trash cans and flowerpots soon.

Treasurer Bill Hall reported on the accounts.

Clerk Casey Gravelle reported the tax correction with Michigan Gas was completed and credited, Consumers Energy will be working on tree maintenance in the village and township, the USDA reports were submitted, the office will be closed April 18, working the special election May 6, and a free virtual class for water and wastewater financial management. She also provided a letter submitted by resident Amanda Jaqua and that she was researching the concerns.

No presidents report.

Emil Gravelle moved to accept the budget modifications for the water fund. Allison Harwood supported, and it carried with a voice vote.

Account Description	Budget Amount	YTD Actual	Difference	Recom. Increase	Recom. Decrease	Revised Budget	Budget Balance
Contingency	\$25,000.00	-----	\$25,000.00	-----	\$2,200.00	\$22,780.00	\$22,780.00
Staff Development/ Training	-----	\$1,280.00	\$(1,280.00)	\$2,000.00	-----	\$2,000.00	\$720.00
Miscellaneous	-----	\$219.98	\$(219.98)	\$220.00	-----	\$220.00	\$0.02

Emil Gravelle moved to accept the budget modifications for the local street fund. Stacie Shamplo supported, and it carried with a voice vote.

Account Description	Budget Amount	YTD Actual	Difference	Recom. Increase	Recom. Decrease	Revised Budget	Budget Balance
Contingency	\$35,000.00	-----	\$35,000.00	-----	\$20.00	\$34,980.00	\$34,980.00
Winter maintenance and repairs	\$2,000.00	\$2,018.09	\$(18.09)	\$20.00	-----	\$2,020.00	\$1.91

Discussion regarding an invoice from Kennedy Industries followed. Allison Harwood moved to pay the bills with Kennedy Industries invoice for \$3,454.50 omitted. Emil Gravelle supported the motion, and it carried with a voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no letters of interest for the open trustee position.

The Village Attorney drafted an agreement for the cleanup at 402 W Center, but it was different than the motion made at the March 20, 2025 special meeting. The agreement was presented and discussed. Emil Gravelle moved to accept the Settlement Agreement as drafted by the attorney. Allison Harwood supported the motion. A roll call vote was held with the following results: Brian Bernath – yes, Emil Gravelle – yes, Allison Harwood – yes, Stacie Shamplo – yes, Shawn Barnhart – yes. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Policies regarding the park rental were discussed by the board.

Clerk Casey Gravelle presented an offer from David Garretson of GLCAP to GPS locate and set up a GIS system for the water system under a grant program. Discussion followed. Emil Gravelle moved to accept the offer. Stacie Shamplo supported the motion. It carried with a voice vote.

President Shawn Barnhart reported that Dakota Potter had not clocked in for code enforcer since January 10, 2025, and has not provided any reports. A brief discussion followed. Brian Bernath moved to remove Dakota Potter from the code enforcer position. Allison Harwood supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Brian Bernath – yes, Emil Gravelle – yes, Allison Harwood – yes, Stacie Shamplo – yes, Shawn Barnhart – yes. Motion Carried.

Allison Harwood asked to schedule the shop inventory review with President Barnhart, Dennis McNett, herself, and one more trustee on April 25, 2025. Trustee Emil Gravelle volunteered.

Assistant Fire Chief Levi McNett notified the board of a parking issue on the north side of the fire department. Discussion followed. Emil Gravelle moved to survey 121 East Street. Brian Bernath asked for three quotes for surveying gathered first. Motion died for lack of support.

The floor was opened back up for public comment. None followed.

Emil Gravelle made a motion to adjourn. Stacie Shamplo supported the motion, and it carried by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m. until May 13, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,
Casey Gravelle
Village Clerk

**Subject to approval at the May 13, 2025, meeting.