

Village of Waldron
102 S. Main St.
Waldron, MI 49288
June 10, 2025

The 2025 June meeting was held on June 10, 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, Dakota Potter and President Shawn Barnhart present, and trustee Stacie Shamplo 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 May 13, 2025, as submitted. Allison Harwood supported, and it carried with a voice vote.

Reports to Council

County Commissioner Brent Leininger reported the millage rates for the county for 2025 were approved last month. Combined county millage rates will be nine-tenths higher than last year. Camden Road west of 99 will not be open coming up this summer due to repairs needed. The drain commissioner is still working on the engineering for the Boyd Drain project. Work should begin next year. They discussed the emergency services contract that will end this year.

Trustee Allison Harwood reported for Fire Board. Their meeting is coming up on June 12.

Street Administrator Shawn Barnhart reported for maintenance. They have been working on weekly brush pickup, mowing, spraying weeds, mowed 2 properties in violation of the grass and weed ordinance, cleaning curbs, and installed the new trash cans and flowerpots at the four corners. They have also been completing Miss Dig location requests.

Street Administrator Shawn Barnhart reported that Farrell Enterprises will begin tree work on July 10th, road and safety signs have been delivered, and the S. Main Street ditch will be inspected and spot repaired this week.

Written water and sewer reports were provided.

Angie Lucas reported on utility billing.

Shawn Barnhart reported for code enforcement. He wrote several letters regarding mowing violations. Maintenance mowed 2 properties that failed to comply.

Emil Gravelle reported for the Planning & Zoning Commission. Their next meeting is July 1, 2025, at 5 p.m.

Allison Harwood reported that the trash cans and flowerpots had been delivered.*

Treasurer Bill Hall reported on the accounts. He will pick up the property tax bills once the county notifies him that they are ready.

Clerk Casey Gravelle reported the audit is complete, the pre-onboarding process has begun for the new software system, she and Dennis McNett attended the kickoff meeting with GLCAP for the GIS project, presented a direct deposit authorization form, and discussed the estimate for the property insurance for the coming year.

Emil Gravelle moved to approve the Employee Direct Deposit Authorization form. Dakota Potter supported. It carried with a voice vote.

President Shawn Barnhart reported on the need for park cameras and the destruction on the basketball rims. The metal detector quit working yesterday and will need to be replaced to complete the ongoing water projects.

Emil Gravelle moved to accept the budget modifications for the general fund. Dakota Potter supported, and it carried with a voice vote.

Account Description	Budget Amount	YTD Actual	Difference	Recom. Increase	Recom. Decrease	Revised Budget	Budget Balance
Miscellaneous-Village Property	\$5,000.00	\$0	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay-Equipment	\$0	\$5,348.52	\$(5,348.52)	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$(348.52)
Contingency	\$30,000.00	-----	\$30,000.00	-----	\$400.00	\$29,600.00	\$29,600.00
Professional Fees - Audit	\$2,700.00	\$2,736.34	\$(36.34)	\$40.00	-----	\$2740.00	\$3.66
Office Miscellaneous	-----	\$4.77	\$(4.77)	\$10.00	-----	\$10.00	\$5.23
Capital Outlay-Equipment	\$5,000.00	\$5,348.52	\$(348.52)	\$350.00	-----	\$5,350.00	\$1.48

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

Account Description	Budget Amount	YTD Actual	Difference	Recom. Increase	Recom. Decrease	Revised Budget	Budget Balance
Contingency	\$22,780.00	-----	\$22,780.00	-----	\$820.00	\$21,960.00	\$21,960.00
Professional Fees - Audit	\$2,630.00	\$2,736.33	\$(106.33)	\$110.00	-----	\$2740.00	\$3.67
Travel Expense	-----	\$2,000.00	\$(29.21)	\$150.00	-----	\$2,150.00	\$120.79
Capital Outlay-Equipment	\$0	\$556.95	\$(556.95)	\$560.00	-----	\$560.00	\$3.05

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Account Description	Budget Amount	YTD Actual	Difference	Recom. Increase	Recom. Decrease	Revised Budget	Budget Balance
Contingency	\$24,875.00	-----	\$24,875.00	-----	\$630.00	\$24,245.00	\$24,245.00
Professional Fees - Audit	\$2,670.00	\$2,736.33	\$(66.33)	\$70.00	-----	\$2740.00	\$3.67
Capital Outlay-Equipment	\$0	\$556.95	\$(556.95)	\$560.00	-----	\$560.00	\$3.05

Emil Gravelle moved to pay the bills. Allison Harwood supported, and it carried with voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

One application was received for code enforcement officer. The application from Jerry Tanner was reviewed.

Brian Bernath moved to hire Jerry Tanner as the code enforcement officer. Dakota Potter supported. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Brian Bernath – yes, Emil Gravelle – yes, Allison Harwood – yes, Dakota Potter – yes, President Shawn Barnhart – yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Fletcher Masters presented his plans to build on his property at 108 Davis St. He requested permission to build and stay in a camper on the property while he builds. He plans to start next year spring for demolition. The board wished him well and asked him to keep them in the loop.

Two bids were received. The sealed envelopes were opened by President Shawn Barnhart.

One was received for the Husqvarna mower from Mark Bernath for \$200. Emil Gravelle moved to accept the bid. Allison Harwood supported. It carried with a voice vote.

One bid was received for the sickle mower from Mark Bernath. Emil Gravelle moved to accept the bid. Brian Bernath supported. It carried with a voice vote.

The floor was opened back up for public comment.

Dakota Potter asked about the jetting on the S. Main St. ditch. President Shawn Barnhart replied that he's going to keep working on it to get it fixed.

Allison Harwood made a motion to adjourn. Emil Gravelle supported the motion, and it carried by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. until July 8, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,
Casey Gravelle
Village Clerk

*Edited to add "flowerpots had been delivered."

ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
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