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**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2025 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Nelson, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: D. Brown, A. Wagner, S. Nelson, R. Valentine, J. Church Members absent: None

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS None

5. AGENDA

Motion, J. Church, supported by R. Valentine CARRIED to approve the agenda.

7. MINUTES

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by S. Nelson CARRIED to approve the Township Board meeting minutes for November 17, 2025

8. CONSENT TO AGENDA

- a. Assessor report
- b. Fire report
- c. Water Systems report
- d. Water billing register
- e. Financial reports
- f. Payment of bills

Motion, R. Valentine, supported by J. Church CARRIED to approve the Consent to Agenda items.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Fire Department minutes November 2025
- b. Ford River Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes November 2025
- c. Zoning Administrators report. November 2025
- d. Delta County Clerks Association Meeting November 2025
- e. Notice of Work Session Meeting of the Central Upper Peninsula Materials Management Planning Committee.

10. FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

- a. Fire updates. Fire Chief Nelson gave updates.
- b. Old trailer pump update.

Motion, R. Valentine, supported by J. Church CARRIED to accept the bid from Drummond Island Fire Department in the amount of \$7,150.00 for the trailer pump.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by D. Brown CARRIED to accept the fire chiefs recommendation to add John Bourdeau and Samantha Roshak to the fire department.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by R. Valentine CARRIED to approve up to \$200.00 for marker lights.

11. WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. Water operator updates.
Water Operator T. Rodman was absent.

Motion, R. Valentine, supported by J. Church CARRIED to pay C2ae \$1500.00 to do a grant application.

12. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR BUSINESS

- a. Zoning update.
The Zoning Administrator was present and gave updates.

13. COUNTY COMMISSIONER BUSINESS

- a. Christine Williams, District #3 was present and gave County updates.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Policy update: Tabled
- b. Junk update. Able to write citations
- c. Cemetery Sexton. TABLED.
- d. Planning commission appointments/term expiration dates.

Motion, S. Nelson, supported by R. Valentine CARRIED to reappoint K. Mineau and to appoint J. Hoffmeyer to the Ford River Township Planning Commission.

Motion, S. Nelson, supported by A. Wagner CARRIED to reappoint R. Scott to the Ford River Township Board of Appeals.

- e. MDOT. The supervisor will contact the Sheriffs Dept and DCRC about a meeting to discuss safety on M35.

15. CURRENT LITIGATION UPDATES.

- a. Bateni.
 - i. Accessory Building. No update.
 - ii. Recovering of fees. No update.
 - iii. New civil rights complaint.
- b. Tryan.

Motion, R. Valentine, supported by J. Church CARRIED to transfer attorney fees of \$6,912.00 to Tryan's tax roll if not paid by November 1, 2026.

16. NEW BUSINESS

- a. 2026 Meeting date Resolution. Changed December 21, 2026 date to December 14, 2026 (second Monday instead of third)

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by S. Nelson CARRIED to adopt Resolution #12-15-2025-01 with changes noted. A roll call vote was taken.
AYES: Wagner, Valentine, Brown, Church and Nelson. NAYS: None ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

- b. CUPPAD membership renewal.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by R. Valentine CARRIED to renew the CUPPAD membership in the amount of \$425.25

- c. Damaged emergency sign. The supervisor will check on the County's policy.

17. PUBLIC COMMENT.

R. Fettig: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Also, private roads and fire signs when the sign isn't on your property, and it gets damaged, are we still responsible?

18. BOARD COMMENT.

Board Members Wish everyone A Merry Christmas.

19. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by J. Church CARRIED to adjourn at 8:34pm.



Debbi R. Brown, Township Clerk

1-19-2026
Date