

Essex Township- Minutes of the Monthly Meeting

April 24, 2026 @ 12:00pm

Members Present: Supervisor Eric Verlinde, Clerk Tim Karasek, Treasurer Kathy George.

Visitors: Beth Botke- Assessor.

Call to Order: Township Supervisor called the meeting to order at 12:01pm followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion: Approval of the March 2026 minutes as presented.

M. Eric Verlinde, S. Kathy George: MCU

Approval of the Agenda:

Additions to the Agenda:

- Maple Rapids village notes from Paul Sora.
- New roads millage information.

Motion: Approve the additions to the agenda.

M. Eric Verlinde, S. Kathy George: MCU

Motion: Approve the agenda as amended.

M. Eric Verlinde, S. Kathy George: MCU

Trustee Report: Gabe Warnke (provided by email):

- Discussion on Jen Cobb report related to CAASA hiring practices and complaint.

Treasurer Report: Kathy George

- Discussion on Transaction Detail by Account Report.
- Discussion on Cemetery CD and prevailing interest rate.
- Return of incorrect posting of NSF fee.

Motion: Accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

M. Tim Karasek, S. Eric Verlinde: MCU

Clerks Report: Tim Karasek

- Presented FY2025-2026 and proposed 2026-2027 Budget Reports.
- Discussion on the year end account fund transfer recommendations as provided by the Treasurer.

Motion: Accept the year end account transfers as recommended by Treasurer George.

M. Kathy George, S. Eric Verlinde: MCU

Motion: Accept the Clerk's report as presented.

M. Eric Verlinde, S. Kathy George: MCU

FINAL: April 24, 2026 Meeting

Supervisors Report: Eric Verlinde,

- Discussion on the new web site design as required by the American Disabilities Act deadline. Everyone liked the new layout which will be “tweaked” when the final draft is presented.
- Maple Rapids CAASA update with discussion on plans on how to move forward.

Motion: Accept the supervisors report as presented.

M. Gabe Warnke, **S.** Tim Karasek, **MCU**

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Roads and Bridges Milage renewal discussion.
- Resolution presented as provided by the township attorneys.
 - o Rate will be .5mil/\$1000 of taxable value.
 - o Length of time : 4 years (2026-2029)
 - o Expected to generate \$45,158 annually.

Motion: Accept the Essex Township Road Milage renewal resolution as presented at a rate of .5mil per \$1000 of taxable value for a period of 4 years beginning in 2026.

M. Tim Karasek, **S.** Kathy George: **Roll Call Vote, MCU**

AYE:

Eric Verlinde

Kathy George

Tim Karasek

NAY:

None

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn 12:49pm.

M. Kathy George, **S.** Tim Karasek. **MCU**

Next Meeting June 17, 2026 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Timothy Karasek

Essex Township Clerk