

# *Antioch Township*

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## *Officers:*

Tom Williams, Supervisor  
Darby Terpstra, Clerk  
Kathy Soerries, Treasurer  
Bruce Jewett, Trustee  
Joseph Gardner, Trustee

## **Minutes---Regular Board Meeting March 5, 2026**

Called to order: 7:01 PM

Present: Tom Williams, Darby Terpstra, Kathy Soerries, Bruce Jewett, Joseph Gardner  
Absent: None

Guests/Public: Cliff Buell had questions about rentals, which department he should speak to about his zoning, and the Board of Review.

Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Joe, to approve the agenda. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Motion presented by Joe, seconded by Bruce, to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2026, meeting. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Kathy brought forth the Treasurer Report, sharing how tax season went, a notice about the QuickBooks update, and reconciliation issues for this month. She also brought forward her thoughts on CDs and will look at what is offered at the institutions we are with. Motion presented by Darby, seconded by Bruce, to approve the financial report as presented, knowing the report is not reconciled, but will be worked on. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Kathy brought bills to be paid. Motion presented by Darby, seconded by Bruce, to approve paying the bills. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Darby updated everyone on the May elections and the required training for MOVE and UOCAVA ballots.

Bruce gave an update on NWEA, sharing that it is the second anniversary of the Authority Board. He also shared the number of calls made and where they took place, interviewing paramedics, and looking at pay increases for the new fiscal year.

The board reviewed the statutory duties of elected officials and deputies. Tom will contact Cathrine with MTA to determine what we can do to interview and shadow someone for an employee or deputy without officially appointing them. Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Joe, to accept the letter from Kathy to relinquish statutory duties in relation to the business of the township to Darby. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Tom shared that McCurdy, Wotila & Porteous have looked at the Blight Ordinance. Cynthia Wotila will have their recommendations for changes to us by April.

Darby shared that the website, antiochtownship.org, is live.

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Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Kathy, to appoint Sharon Ream as an alternate for the Board of Review. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Motion presented by Joe, seconded by Darby, to appoint Jim Fuller as Antioch Township Representative for the Wexford Joint Planning Commission. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Tom brought forth the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027, and the board went through and suggested changes. Motion presented by Kathy, seconded by Bruce, to accept the proposed budget with the changes discussed. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Joe, to open public comment session for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 at 10:01 pm. No public present, no comments made.

Motion presented by Joe, seconded by Bruce, to close public comment session at 10:02 pm.

Resolution 2026-03 - Motion presented by Joe, seconded by Kathy, to approve Resolution 2026-03 to levy 4mil for NWEA. Upon a roll call vote the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

Resolution 2026-04 - Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Darby, to approve Resolution 2026-04 for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

Resolution 2026-05 - Motion presented by Darby, seconded by Kathy, to disperse funds. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the motion adopted 5-0-0.

Resolution 2026-06 – Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Joe, to approve Resolution 2026-06 to increase the salary of the Supervisor to \$9000.00 for the Budget of Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

Resolution 2026-07 – Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Kathy, to approve Resolution 2026-07 to increase the salary of the Clerk to \$10,500.00 for the Budget of Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

Resolution 2026-08 – Motion presented by Joe, seconded by Darby, to approve Resolution 2026-08 to increase the salary of the Treasurer to \$8500.00 for the Budget of Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

Resolution 2026-09 – Motion presented by Joe, seconded by Bruce, to approve Resolution 2026-09 to keep the Trustee Per Diem at \$82 per meeting for the Budget of Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

Resolution 2026-10 – Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Kathy, to approve Resolution 2026-10 to pay the offices of deputies and employees \$20.00 per hour, and Chair positions \$25.00 per hour for the Budget of Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

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Resolution 2026-11 – Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Joe, to approve Resolution 2026-11 to keep the dates of board meetings to the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Upon a roll call vote, the Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted 5-0-0.

Tom reminded everyone that the dates for the Board of Review are March 10<sup>th</sup> and March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Darby, to look into the Geek Squad at Best Buy for computer tech support and security with a max amount of \$500.00. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Darby, to approve a QuickBooks refresher with UHYs. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Motion presented by Bruce, seconded by Darby, to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Adjourned: 10:12 PM

**Next regular meeting: April 2, 2026**

\_\_\_\_\_, Supervisor

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk