

TOWN OF WORCESTER
Regular Town Board Meeting
July 21st, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Worcester Town Hall.

Present: Chairman Jim Michler
 Supervisor Jeremy Pesko
 Supervisor Russ Long
 Clerk/Treasurer Regina Damjanovic
 11 Visitors

Approve the Minutes

Motion is made and seconded to approve June 16th, 2026, town board meeting minutes.
Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Report

- Financial report - Started the month of June with \$408,848.92. Total non-tax income was \$116,332.90. \$93,000 was transferred to cover written checks, payroll taxes, and IRA. There was \$476.40 in outstanding checks leaving the ending cash balance totaling \$418,072.88.

Chair Report

- ARIP preconstruction meeting – Preconstruction meeting is scheduled for July 27th at 1:00 pm. This will be a posted, special town meeting with all board members in attendance. Construction to start August 3rd.
- Red Pines subdivision (25 acres) – Listed lots for approx. \$265,000, sold for \$275,361. Expenses are approx. \$25,000.
- Need to schedule first working budget meeting – July 28th at 11:00 am.

Road Crew Report and Transfer Station Report

Cleaning out and making ditches on Hicks Landing Rd, hills have washed out because no ditch. Took off high shoulders on Big Elk Rd. Continuing to mow ditches, needed to repair rear tire rim. Patched potholes on Old 13. New front brakes on one ton. Changed oil on Peterbilt truck and JX Truck fixed a broken wire. Weather permitting, trying to continue to grade roads. Discussion with the Board about culverts, mowing, and the skid steer tires.

Transfer Station – running well, been busy.

Items for Discussion and possible action:

Musser Lake/Woodland Lane boat landing

The Board updates the Day family on the progress, waiting on the surveyor.

Discussion on doing our own crack sealing

The Board discusses having our road crew do crack sealing. Material cost is approximately \$0.75/lb., we would need to purchase a router (30-year life, \$7-10,000), blower (\$21-

22,000), line driver (\$8-9,000), 200gal wand melter (\$350/day, rent for around 3 days/yr). 10,000lbs/3 days. Will discuss more during the budget meeting.

Salt shed location

The Board discusses the future location for a salt shed and how they'd like it constructed.

LRIP SMA grant for \$25,886.45

The Board announces we officially were awarded an LRIP grant. The LRIP grant is for Cottage Grove, but considering doing a 1/2" overlay on E Solberg Rd. instead because of the new gravel pit going in. Would need to make a change order on the LRIP grant and would need the new approved SMA before putting out for bids. Thinking about starting this project in 2027. Motion is made and seconded to table discussion of the road change LRIP SMA grant to next Budget meeting. Motion carried.

Voucher List

Motion is made and seconded to approve checks on the July voucher list totaling \$32,987.80. Motion carried.

Public comment

A question was asked about S Loop Rd. gravel piles. A question was asked about putting a center line on E Solberg Lake Rd because of the new gravel pit, a change of speed limit, and a no Jake's brake sign. Will ask the County about line painting. A question was asked about when the meeting notice was sent for the Town Elector meeting. A comment was made about the scrap culvert metal being given to the County. A comment was made about the road crew, S Loop Rd, grading roads, and crack sealing.

Adjourn

Motion is made and seconded to adjourn at 8:04 pm, motion carried.

Regina Damjanovic, Clerk/Treasurer