

Wauponsee Township Board Meeting February 11th, 2026 Minutes

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wauponsee Township of Grundy County, the State of Illinois, was held in person for the purpose of conducting normal business. Supervisor Hastings opened the meeting at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

Trustees:	David Benson	Present
	Jeff Carr	Present
	Andy Chandler	Present
	Gary Lowery	Not Present
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Present
Road Commissioner:	Bucky Phillips	Present
Township Clerk	Russ Higgins	Present

Residents Present

None

Public Comment/Statements

None

Approval of Minutes

Meeting minutes for January 14th were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Trustee Chandler and seconded by Trustee Carr.

Trustees:	David Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Approval of Claims

Road Commissioner Phillips reviewed the list of claims totaling \$12,614.02 with the Board. Expenses included \$7807.50 to Chamlin and Associates for survey work within the township. A motion was made by Trustee Benson and seconded by Trustee Chandler to file the claims for the Wauponse Township Road and Bridge Fund claims for audit.

Trustees:	David Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Supervisor Hastings reviewed the claims with the Board including \$5740.59 for payroll and \$414.00 for printer expense. Following audit recommendations, \$45,000 was transferred from the checking to the savings account. A motion was made by Trustee Carr and seconded by Trustee Chandler to file the Wauponse Township Fund claims for audit.

Trustees:	David Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Supervisors Report

Supervisor Hastings presented the following report:

Financial status, transactions and reconciliation of Road and Bridge, Town and General Assistance Fund. A motion was made by Trustee Benson and seconded by Trustee Carr to place the Supervisor's report on file.

Trustees:	Dave Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Clerk's Report

Clerk Higgins gave an update on Economic Interest statements from the County. He also shared the March 1 deadline for 15 or more registered voters in the Township to request agenda items for the Annual Township Meeting which will be held **April 14th**. A motion was made by Trustee Chandler and seconded by Trustee Benson to approve the Clerk's report as submitted.

Trustees:	Dave Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Old Business

Supervisor Hastings shared an available opportunity to attend the Annual Township Lobby Day in Springfield.

New Business

Road commissioner Phillips provided purchase information for a 2024 John Deere P Backhoe Loader replacing the 2008 Cat 420E Backhoe Loader which will be included as a trade in the negotiation. Bids are not required because West Side Tractor Sales is part of the Sourcewell network. Sourcewell in Illinois is a cooperative purchasing organization that allows government, education, and nonprofit agencies in Illinois (and nationwide) to buy equipment, products, and services through pre-negotiated, competitively solicited contracts. After

discussion it was decided to move forward with the purchase, paying ½ at purchase and the remainder in 4 annual installments through John Deere finance.

A motion was made by Trustee Benson and seconded by Trustee Chandler to approve the capital purchase of the 2024 John Deere 320 P Backhoe Loader.

Trustees:	Dave Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Road Commissioner Phillips requested a Transfer of Appropriation from Road and Bridge Contractual Services to Road and Bridge Capital Outlay to accommodate the purchase of the Backhoe Loader.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandler and seconded by Trustee Benson to approve the transfer of \$71,333 from Bridge Contractual Services to Road and Bridge Capital Outlay.

Trustees:	Dave Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Road Commissioner Phillips requested authority to distribute funds (\$71,333) to accommodate the Backhoe Loader purchase prior to the Township March meeting if necessary.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandler and seconded by Trustee Carr to authorize the distribution of funds (\$71,333) for the Backhoe Loader purchase if necessary.

Trustees:	Dave Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Adjournment

Being no further business, Trustee Benson moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Chandler seconded the motion.

Trustees:	Dave Benson	Yes
	Jeff Carr	Yes
	Andy Chandler	Yes
Supervisor:	Scot Hastings	Yes

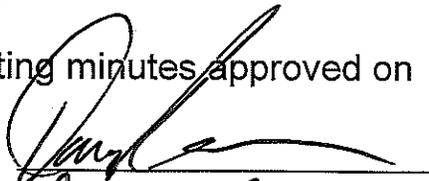
The motion passed on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.

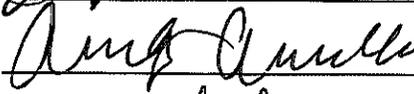
Next Meeting

March 11th, 2026

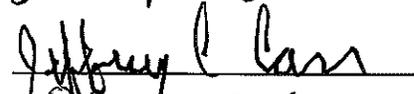
Meeting minutes approved on *March 11*, 2026



Trustee



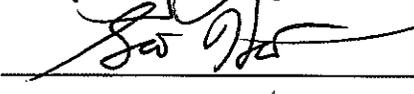
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Supervisor



Township Clerk