

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION MEETING
JULY 13, 2026 MINUTES**

PRESENT – Supervisor Marcinkowski, Trustee Brower, Treasurer Roggero, Trustee Cross, Clerk Steffes, Trustee VanOosterhout, Trustee Holman

ABSENT –

ALSO PRESENT – (4) Four interested parties + Attorney McGahan

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Marcinkowski called the July 13, 2026, Work Session Meeting to order at 10:01 AM and led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA - Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Cross, ***ADOPTED***, to accept the July 13, 2026 Work Session Township Board Meeting Agenda as amended.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

Supervisor Marcinkowski read The Declaration of Independence aloud.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Gene Walter- Pastor of Fruitland Baptist Church- was requested by Trustee Cross to open with a prayer. Stated he appreciated Supervisor Marcinkowski reading The Declaration of Independence.

One resident objected to the prayer and walked out of the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS –

- a. **Park Commission Meeting 7/6** – Update provided by Parks Commissioner Mitenbuler- They discussed fence quotes for the south end of Nestrom Park. They also discussed cleaning for the Nestrom Park restrooms. The quotes are \$150 per cleaning, twice per week, which the Parks Commission believes is not enough cleanings. She suggested hiring a cleaner on staff to clean the office and the restrooms.
- b. **Planning Commission Meeting 7/9** – Update provided by Trustee VanOosterhout. Stated there is a list of proposed changes that each had a hearing at the PC meeting. One of the biggest changes is to Accessory Building size limits.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS –

- a. **June 2026 Check disbursement report-** will be placed on file
- b. **June 2026 Ordinance Enforcement report-** will be placed on file
- c. **June 2026 PINS report-** will be placed on file
- d. **June 2026 Revenue, Expenditure and trial balance reports-** will be placed on file
- e. **June 2026 Zoning Admin report-** will be placed on file
- f. **Synopsis of Meetings-** will be placed on file
- g. **Master Plan – Community Workshop – 7/22 – 5:30pm**
- h. **3319 Scenic Dr –** The house has been taken down. They will be given a timeline for either building a new home or taking down the garage on the property.
- i. **GMED Municipal Breakfast – 7/15 – 8 to 9:30AM – Township Hall**
- j. **WMSRDC – SOGL grant proposal**
- k. **Bids for Accessible Path in Nestrom Park.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- a. **VC3 – Replace local production server – update**
- b. **Meeting room upgrades – video and sound**

NEW BUSINESS –

- a. **WLAA informational meeting – July 23 at 6PM – Township Hall**
- b. **Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to authorize Moratoriums and impose temporary moratorium on data centers – sent to Planning Commission for review.**
- c. **VAC – Seniors – agreement**
- d. **Nestrom Drain – structure #6 – repair quotes.**
- e. **Insurance renewal**
- f. **Ackerberg Drain Culvert – corner of Bard and Weber – Action required**
- g. **Solicitation resolution and ordinance**
- h. **Closed session for the purpose of reviewing the Township’s Attorney’s legal opinion regarding Zoning Ordinance Enforcement.**

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to enter closed session for the purpose of reviewing the Township’s Attorney’s legal opinion regarding Zoning Ordinance Enforcement.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cross **AYE**, Clerk Steffes **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **AYE**, Trustee Brower **AYE**, Trustee VanOosterhout **AYE**, Treasurer Roggero **AYE**, Trustee Holman **AYE** – **motion carried**

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Treasurer Roggero, **ADOPTED**, to direct the Township Attorney to enter into an agreement regarding the pending district court case for 3881 Orshal Rd.

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Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cross **AYE**, Clerk Steffes **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **AYE**, Trustee Brower **AYE**, Trustee VanOosterhout **AYE**, Treasurer Roggero **AYE**, Trustee Holman **AYE** – **motion carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Carlet Mitenbuler- 4623 Nestrom Rd- Suggested giving a brief overview of what the board is talking about so the audience knows what the board is talking about. Mentioned the informational meetings she has attended regarding the WLAA millage. Stated that she was saddened that religion and government crossed paths today and it caused a resident to leave.

Dave Rice- 4047 Nestrom Rd- Stated DCNA now has a sign on Simonelli Rd. They have an invasive species session with the Conservation District. The Conservation District should start the hemlock treatment this week. They have talked to the schools about using DCNA to discuss invasive species and be in nature. Requested that the board put a portable restroom at the Duck Lake Road parking lot. Suggested Comcast and Frontier should proactively manage the trees hanging over their lines. Advised the Blueberry Festival is the last Saturday in July.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION –

Trustee Brower stated he is having back surgery next week and will be out of commission for some time.

Trustee Holman stated he will be truck driving for Howmet. He will not be able to attend the Regular Board Meetings but will be at the work session meetings. He plans on continuing through the end of his term.

Supervisor Marcinkowski stated that anything can be stated in public comment, so prayer is allowed. He also provided an update on the Serkaian case and the old dump property.

Trustee Holman inquired why we don't have a representative from WLFA giving an update.

Trustee VanOosterhout asked for regular updates from the WLCL.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Cross, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the July 13, 2026 Work Session of the Township of Fruitland at 12:13 PM.

Upon Voice Vote: **6 AYES – motion carried**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Alexa Steffes, Clerk
Township of Fruitland