

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 20, 2026 MINUTES**

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

ABESNT – Trustee Brower, Trustee Holman

ALSO PRESENT – (7) seven interested parties

CALL TO ORDER - Supervisor Marcinkowski called the July 20, 2026 Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA - Motion by Treasurer Roggero, second by Trustee Cross, ***ADOPTED***, to accept the amended July 20, 2026 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.
Upon Voice Vote: 5 AYES– motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Kimon Kotos- Duck Lake Road- inquired if we have any update on the status of the funding for the Scenic Drive pathway.

Mike Reid- 5982 Scenic Drive- Stated there is a sign for the small dirt road Wabaningo but there isn't any sign approaching Michillinda Rd when driving on Whitehall Road, he suggested putting a sign to show Michillinda Rd is approaching. He also stated there is a house at 6196 South Shore Drive that has been vacant for several years and has not been kept up and is an eyesore and asked if the township can do anything about it.

Terrie Hampel- 6171 Duck Lake Road- inquired if there has been any progress on the property owned by Mr. Carson on Duck Lake Road.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS –

- a. **Master Plan - Housing 101 Workshop for residents – July 22, 2026 – 5:30PM Township Hall**
- b. **WLAA presentation – Jonathon Degen - 7/23 - 5:30 to 6:30 PM – Township Hall, Trinity Health EMS Presentation 7/23 at 6:45 PM**

CONSENT AGENDA –

- a. ~~June 2026 Treasurer reports – March/April/May Bank Reconciliation and Fund 101 Revenue and Expenditure - Fund 101 Revenue \$114,154.22; Expenditure \$152,694.58; Fund 120 Public Roads Fund \$2,435.21; Fund 130 Public Works Expenditure \$300.00; Fund 160 Parks and Recreation Specialty Expenditure \$52,089.50; Fund 180 Community Building Capital Improvement Revenue \$50.00; Fund 213 American Rescue Plan Act Revenue \$2,051.47, Cash & Investments Report~~
- b. June 2026 Clerk reports – Check Disbursement and Budget Amendments
- c. June Minutes – June 8, 2026, work session; June 15, 2026, Regular Board Meeting

Treasurer Roggero stated the March, April and May Bank Reconciliations are not available and that he is working through an issue with from the previous tax season which he needs to sort out in order to complete the bank reconciliations, struck March, April and May Bank Reconciliations out of consent agenda. Stated he is considering looking into a 3rd party contractor for bank reconciliations and taking the funding out of his salary.

The board asked Treasurer Roggero to initiate a proposal for assistance with bank reconciliations as soon as possible and get them to the board prior to the next meeting.

Motion by Treasurer Roggero, second by Clerk Steffes, **ADOPTED**, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- ~~a. Replace Local Production Server – VC3 – other options~~
- b. Solicitation – Resolution 20-2026 and New Ordinance Article R65

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee VanOosterhout, **ADOPTED**, to adopt Resolution 20-2026 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE SOLICITATION AND PEDDLING ORDINANCE.

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

NEW BUSINESS –

a. Planning Commission Proposed Language Changes to Article II and Article III, Article XXVIII, Electric Car Charging Stations

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Trustee Cross , **ADOPTED**, to approve the language changes proposed by the Planning Commission to Article II- Definitions- Accessory Building; Commercial; Floor Area, Usable (UFA); Setback Lines; Structure- Permanent; Structure- Temporary; Yard.

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

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Treasurer Roggero , **ADOPTED**, to approve the language changes proposed by the Planning Commission to Article III- General Provisions- Section 3.08 B; Section 3.08 H.(1) Accessory Building sizes, heights and setbacks; Section 3.09 A Regulations Applicable to All Single-Family Dwellings; Section 3.21 A Home Occupations; Section 3.31 A Average Setback Lines; Section 3.31 B Average Setback Lines; Section 3.31 C Average Setback Lines; Electric Vehicle Charging Stations.

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

b. Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to Authorize Moratoriums and to Impose Temporary Moratorium on Data Center.

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Supervisor Marcinkowski , **ADOPTED**, to approve the Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to Authorize Moratoriums and to Impose Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers proposed by the Planning Commission.

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

c. New Ordinance Article R 64 – An Ordinance to Enact Moratorium on Data Centers

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Cross, **ADOPTED**, to adopt Ordinance Article R- 64 An Ordinance to Enact a Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers.

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

d. VAC – Seniors – use agreement

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Treasurer Roggero, **ADOPTED**, to approve a contract with Whitehall District Schools- Viking Athletic Center from 9/1/26 – 8/31/27 for \$10,000 for senior usage of the VAC, with the payment coming due April 2027.

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

e. Accessible Pathways – Nestrom Park – OCBA additional fee for rebid and design.

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Trustee Cross, **ADOPTED**, to approve and additional cost not to exceed \$1,200 for revisions to the Accessible Pathways plan and to rebid the project, to be paid out of the Parks & Recreation Specialty Fund.

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

f. Nestrom Drain - structure #6 – repair quotes

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Trustee Cross, **ADOPTED**, to approve the proposal from Lundell Excavating for \$6,142 to repair Nestrom Drain Structure #6, with an additional \$1,500 reserved if structure replacement is needed to be paid out of Special Contingency Fund.

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

g. Insurance Renewal

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Clerk Steffes, **ADOPTED**, to accept the Township's insurance renewal for \$28,134.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Kimon Kotos- 6171 Duck Lake Road- asked for clarification regarding the ordinance to enact a temporary moratorium on data centers, as well the additional cost related to the Accessible Pathways.

Claire Marshall- Community News Correspondent with Oceana Echo and White Lake Mirror- stated they are changing their postage model, which opens the door to send their newspaper to addresses in Whitehall for free. Sign-up is required, with the service beginning in September.

Comments from “concerned citizen” on Zoom read aloud.

Susan Hertel- zoom commends read aloud.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION –

Supervisor Marcinkowski recommended reviewing the Constitution of the United States on an annual basis. Stated the funding for the Scenic Pathways is still held up in HUD in the regulatory process. An initial kickoff meeting for the parties involved will be at Wednesday 7/22/26 at GMED at 11 AM. The first hurdle will be the environmental review, which must be completed before HUD will release the funding.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clerk Steffes, second by Trustee Cross, ***ADOPTED***, to adjourn the July 20, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 7:06 PM.

Upon Voice Vote: 5 AYES – motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexa Steffes, Clerk
Township of Fruitland