



REGULAR MEETING OF THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP BOARD

July 20, 2026

Minutes

- I. Supervisor Wittenbach called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Pledge and Roll Call – Gillett, Ford, Richmond, Rasch and Wittenbach all present.
- III. Gillett motioned to approve the agenda. Rasch supported the motion. All members voted yes; motion carried.
- IV. Rasch motion to approve the consent agenda containing the following.
 - Approval of the June 15, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Township Board Minutes
 - Approval of the June 24, 2026, Special Meeting of the Township Board
 - Approval of Invoices
 - Payroll
 - Treasurer's ReportGillett supported the motion. All members voted yes; motion carried.
- V. There was no public comment
- VI. Guest – Captain Ben Cammenga – Kent County Sheriff Office – Captain Cammenga gave updates, answered questions and explained the public safety grant that began this year.
- VII. Guest – Matt Vredevelt – Vredevelt Haefner – Matt updated the board regarding the audit. The township fund balances were up, and the audit found no deficiencies.
- VIII. Unfinished Business – None
- IX. New Business:
 - KCSO Memorandum of Understanding – Regarding Public Safety Revenue Sharing Funds – Captain Cammenga will send information on options funds can go towards. Gillett motioned to send the required amount designated for law enforcement to the Kent County Sheriff Department. Rasch supported the motion. All members voted yes; motion carried.
 - Resolution #2026-21 designation of September 18, 2026, as Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day” Ford motioned to approve Resolution #2026-21. Gillett supported the motion. Gillett, Rasch, Wittenbach, Ford and Richmond all voted yes; there were none opposed. Motion carried.

- KCRC Downes and Biggs Streets Work Order – Rasch motioned to approve the KCRC work order for asphalt millings for the remaining portion of Biggs and Downes from Biggs to Fallasburg Park Drive. Gillett supported the motion. All members voted yes; motion carried.
- Gillett motioned to approve Resolution #2026-22 - 555 Lincoln Lake Ave SE – Site Plan Approval recommendation from the Planning Commission. Rasch supported the motion. Rasch, Richmond, Ford, Wittenbach, and Gillett all voted yes. There were none opposed; motion carried.
- Gillett motioned to approve Resolution #2026-23 - Red Barn Market – Special Exception Use Permit Recommendation from the Planning Commission. Richmond supported the motion. Rasch, Ford, Gillett, Wittenbach and Richmond all voted yes. There were none opposed; motion carried.
- Gillett motioned to send the application to amend Existing Special Exception Use Permit at 2534 Alden Nash Ave NE to the planning commission and allow applicant to temporarily use tents with signed affidavit of understanding, with all future approval at the discretion of the planning commission. Rasch supported the motion. All members voted yes; motion carried.

- X.** Updates were given regarding - Board member updates, Elections, Fire Authority Board, Building Department, Zoning and Planning, LARA, & Airport
- XI.** Public Comment – Kim Kropf and Barb Kropf made public comments
- XII.** Supervisor Wittenbach adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Shantell Ford, Clerk

Date Approved