



## Wexford Joint Planning Commission

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### DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Time & Date: 6:30pm, Monday, April 27, 2026

Meeting location: Wexford County Road Commission Meeting Room, 85 West Highway M-115, Boon, Michigan.

Coordinates: 44° 19' 32.5" N, 85° 34' 53.4" W (44.325685, -85.581500)

#### A. Call to Order@630pm, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

*Members Present:* Mike Woodward, Chair (Hanover)  
Ben Hicok, Vice Chair (Cherry Grove)  
Lori Wetherell, Secretary (Selma)  
Donna Taylor, Treasurer (South Branch)  
Jim Fuller (Antioch)  
Richard Harvey (Boon)  
Tim Simerson (Springville)

*Members Absent:* Vacant (Slagle)  
Vacant (Wexford)  
Amanda Kimbel-Sparks (Liberty)

*Others Present:* Robert Hall, Zoning Administrator  
Ben Townsend, Assistant Zoning Administrator  
Heather O'Connor, Recording Secretary via telecom

**B. Set/Amend/Approve the Agenda:** Motion to Approve the Agenda as presented, made by **Richard Harvey**, supported by **Ben Hicok** and passed via voice vote. See ([Agenda](#)).

#### C. Matters pertaining to citizens, in the following order:

1. **ANNUAL MEETING**
  - a. **Chris Grobbel** | Grobbel Environmental & Planning Associates
  - b. WJPC Staff Report Presentation

**D. Public Comment – Invitation for Participating Municipality Communications** - Chair recognized several members of public present. Antioch Township – happy to have a representative. Jim Fuller introduced himself as newest commission member. Slagle Township Supervisor – difficult to get volunteers for WJPC

#### E. Housekeeping Business

1. Consent Business



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- a. Approval of January 2026 DRAFT Minutes –Motion to Approve the January 2026 Meeting Minutes as presented made by **Richard Harvey** supported by **Ben Hicok** and passed via voice vote. See ([Proposed Minutes](#))
  - b. Approval of Commissions Expense Report (pay the bills for April 2026 total \$5479.11) – Motion made by **Richard Harvey**, supported by **Ben Hicok** and passed via voice vote. See ([Bills & Supporting Documents](#))
2. Treasurer’s Budget Report – Donna Taylor - See ([Bills & Supporting Documents](#)). Motion made by **Richard Harvey**, supported by **Ben Hicok** and passed via voice vote
  3. Planning & Zoning Report – Robert Hall – See ([Staff Report](#)) See C 1 b
- F. Unfinished Business & Reports** - (items considered here are taken up in the same order as established by the Commission to fix a priority for consideration and work done in the planning office)
1. Liberty Township Withdrawal (status report)
- G. New Business – None**
- H. Commissioner Discussion – Large scale solar – Ranger Power**
- I. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by **Donna Taylor**, supported, and adjourned at 7:21pm.**

Prepared by Heather A. O’Connor, Recording Secretary for Secretary

Respectfully submitted



Lori Wetherell, (elected) Secretary

\*Notice of Absence provided



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