

I. ORGANIZATION OF MEETING

1. Call to Order

Mayor Grose called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence.

2. Member, Appointing Authority, Dates of Terms;

Mike Klondaris, Council, 01/01/26 to 12/31/26

Gordon Nash, Wayne Township Board, 01/01/26 to 12/31/26

Dave Allbritten, Community Member, 01/01/26 to 12/31/26

Jeanie Stackhouse, Wayne Township Board, 01/01/26 to 12/31/26

Jeff Grose, Warsaw Mayor, 01/01/26 to 12/31/26

3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Moment of Silence
5. Roll Call to Determine Quorum by Presiding Officer

Mayor Grose conducted roll call, with the following board members present: Mayor Jeff Grose, Gordon Nash, Mike Klondaris, Fire Chief Joel Shilling, Territory Attorney Adam Turner, and Secretary Heather Vogts. Board Members Jeanie Stackhouse and David Allbritten were absent.

6. Approval of Minutes for: March 3, 2026
-April meeting was canceled.
 - a. March 3, 2026- Minutes

Mayor Grose called for a motion to approve the March 3, 2026, minutes as written. Board Member Nash made the motion to approve the minutes from March 3, 2026. The motion was seconded by Board Member/Mayor Grose. All members present voted in favor.

II. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

III. REPORTS / ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

1. Lutheran EMS Report

Chief Shilling advised EMS Representative Alicia was unable to be at the meeting due to an emergency but advised if any board members have questions about the February and/or March Lutheran EMS Reports, she would be happy to answer them at the next meeting or via email/phone.

- a. February 2026
- b. March 2026
2. Warsaw-Wayne Fire Territory Monthly Reports

- a. February 2026

Chief Shilling presented the February 2026 WWFT Monthly Report to the Board.

- b. March 2026

Due to the cancellation of the April meeting, Chief Shilling also reviewed the March 2026 Monthly Report. He noted that it is uncommon to review run reports side by side; however, this comparison highlighted a significant increase in both overall call volume and overlapping calls in March. Chief Shilling advised that overlapping calls place a strain on available community resources and often necessitate reliance on mutual aid. In March, there were 110 overlapping calls in which this occurred.

3. WWFT Monthly Expenditure Report - Operating Fund 2243

- a. February 2026

Chief Shilling reviewed the February 2026 Operating Fund 2243 to the board.

- b. March 2026

Chief Shilling presented the March 2026 Operating Fund 2243 to the Board.

4. WWFT Monthly Expenditure Report - Equipment Replacement Fund 4410

- a. February 2026

Chief Shilling presented the February 2026 Equipment Replacement Fund 4410 to the Board. Chief Shilling noted an expense for Station 13 carpet, where the entire purchase was incurred from 2025 funds.

- b. March 2026

Chief Shilling reviewed the March 2026 Equipment Replacement Fund 4410 to the Board.

Mayor Grose entertained a motion to approve all 5 motions as presented at the Board. Board Member Klondaris made the motion to approve, seconded by Board Member Nash. All members present voted in favor.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Authorization to Apply for K21 Health Foundation Grant - Fitness Equipment

Chief Shilling, on behalf of Lt. Tyler Colt, requested the Board's permission to apply for a grant through the K21 Health Foundation to help replace outdated strength and functional fitness equipment across all three fire stations. The total grant request is \$43,664.20 and would provide commercial-grade equipment from [Rogue Fitness](#).

Chief Shilling advised that cardiovascular disease remains the leading cause of death among firefighters, and the department aims to prioritize comprehensive strength and functional fitness training to improve member health, wellness, and job performance. The grant offers two purchasing options: direct purchase by K21 from the vendor, or reimbursement to the Territory after utilizing budgeted funds for the purchase. If approved to apply, the Territory would opt for direct purchase by K21.

Mayor Jeff Grose entertained a motion to approve the Territory applying for the K21 Health Foundation grant for fitness equipment. Board Member Nash made the motion to approve, seconded by Board Member

Klondaris. All board members present voted in favor.

2. Authorization to Apply for the Warsaw Work & Learn Grant

Chief Shilling informed the Board that each year, the Territory partners with the Warsaw Community Schools Career Center and hires two co-op students through its career-based learning program. These students gain hands-on experience by working half days while attending school for the remainder of the day. On average, the students work approximately 20 hours per week.

Chief Shilling explained that this grant opportunity, if awarded, would provide up to 50% wage reimbursement for up to 20 hours per week during the school year and up to 40 hours per week during the summer.

The Territory requested permission to apply for the grant.

Mayor Jeff Grose entertained a motion to approve the Territory's application for the Warsaw Work & Learn Grant. Board Member Jack Klondaris made the motion to approve the application, which was seconded by Board Member Jerry Nash.

VI. TRAVEL REQUESTS

1. WWFT Travel Requests

Chief Shilling reviewed the presented travel requests and advised that the requests were either for continuing education courses or related to leadership roles.

Mayor Grose entertained a motion to approve the travel requests as presented. Board Member Nash approved the presented travel requests, seconded by Board Member Klondaris.

VII. OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

1. Next Meeting- June 2, 2026

Mayor Grose advertised it is likely the Warsaw Police Department Training Room will continue to be used for the foreseeable future for board meetings.

VIII. MEETING REVIEW

1. Items Carried Forward
2. Visitors' Questions & Comments

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further matters to come before the Board, Mayor Grose entertained a motion to adjourn. Board Member Nash made the motion, seconded by Board Member Klondaris.