

Marysville Township
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Monday January 26th, 2026

Meeting: The meeting was called to order by Chair Joe Hickman at 7:00 PM. Members present Joe Hickman Chair, Andrew Hirsch Vice-Chair, Jill Belland Supervisor, Debbie Uecker Clerk-Treasurer, Leanne Lafave Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Colton Friendshuh Road Maintenance and 29 residents/visitors including City of Montrose council, Montrose fire department and 3 residents.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Meeting Minutes: Andrew Hirsch made a motion, 2nd by Jill Belland to accept December 29th, 2025, monthly meeting minutes and carried 3-0.

Treasurers Report: The beginning balance for January is \$349,530.40, receipts of \$34,386.41, expenses of \$41,702.08 and ending balance of \$342,214.73. Andrew Hirsch made a motion, 2nd by Jill Belland, to accept the Treasurers' report and carried 3-0.

Old Business:

1) David Paradise with Montrose Fire Department read a letter from Fire Chief Kevin Triplett in regard to Clementa Ave and concerns over keeping the road open for fire and medical safety.

Alyssa Farrell, Montrose Representative, read a letter she had prepared in regard to Clementa Ave over keeping the road open. She discussed EMS services, school bus routes, Clementa Ave as a commuter road and concerned of shifting traffic to other roads that are not suitable for community traffic.

Joe Hickman addressed concerns that was brought up. Joe Hickman discussed that the Township needs help in maintaining Clementa Ave. The Township had our Town Attorney review the LRIP application once received on December 10th and our attorney did not advise applying for the LRIP grant the way it was written as the Township would be on the hook whether we received the grant or not.

Joe Hickman also stated that Montrose has not given the township any funds to maintain the road.

Jill Belland questioned how many farmers we have on Clementa Ave.

Andrew Hirsch discussed how the Township spends all the time on this one section of road and people take it to social media; please help the Township as we are trying to find a solution – if you see the grader working on the road then stop and take a different route so we can safely work on the road. Marysville wants to have a seat at the table to effectively discuss Clementa Ave.

Alyssa Farrell wants to know how real it is that the Township will block the road.

Joe Hickman stated that we need financial support to keep the road open as the Township will not be able to afford to maintain the road.

Discussion over predetermined life link landing spots is the Excel property and Montrose school.

Sara Thies, Montrose resident asked if there is a time of the day that the Township grades the road to avoid the road?

Joe Hickman stated we grade the road when we have moisture in the road and times can vary.

Joey Thies, Montrose resident asked why the City of Montrose isn't helping.

Joe Hickman stated that 8 years ago we had free con-bit to put on the road to see if that would help and he asked the city if they would help cover the trucking costs and was told no. We asked the City if they would add a stoplight or roundabout by Excel and were told no, we thought that we had open dialogue with City and I was going to attend their October board meeting to keep discussing Clementa Ave and the day of their meeting, the City Administrator pulled us off their agenda.

Todd Nelson, Montrose resident, asked how much it would cost to black top the rest of the road.

Joe Hickman said that the LRIP application showed it would cost \$2,023,500.

Nate Bodin, Marysville resident - the city must not have had a concern over EMS services when they built the developments with only road. It was terrible that Bolton and Mink sent the LRIP application at 12am on December 10th when the applications were due December 11th. The LRIP application was written poorly and gave the Township no time to make an informed decision.

Debbie Uecker encouraged all in attendance to please attend City of Montrose next council meeting on February 9th and ask the council what they will do to help keep the road open? The township has their audit meeting the same night and is unable to attend Montrose's board meeting.

Michelle Otto asked for breakdown of the bill the Township sent to the City on Clementa Ave.

Debbie Uecker was told not to send the breakdown as Montrose Mayor sent an email on December 12th, 2025, stating that Montrose will not pay for any portion of Clementa Ave and the Township should do what they want with the Township Road.

2) Fiber line/culvert replacement will be worked on by Andrew Hirsch.

3) Debbie Uecker provided options for a Wi-Fi extender. Joe Hickman made a motion, 2nd by Jill Belland to have Andrew Hirsch work with Debbie Uecker to get a Wi-Fi switch and carried 3-0.

4) Local Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting will be Monday April 13th, 2026.

New Business:

1) Hearing no complaints regarding Jurgen Preugschas' renewal of CUP for Ag Tourism, a motion to renew the CUP for Jurgen Preugschas on a 2-year renewal was made by Joe Hickman, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch and carried 3-0.

2) Hearing no complaints regarding Ross Danielson renewal of CUP for gravel pit mining operation, a motion to renew the CUP for Ross Danielson on a 1-year renewal was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Jill Belland and carried 3-0.

3) Hearing no complaints regarding Nathan and Karrie Schmidt renewal of CUP for a home auto business, a motion to renew the CUP for Nathan and Karrie Schmidt on a 2-year renewal was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Joe Hickman and carried 3-0.

4) Joseph DesMarais PID 211-000-271100 – XXX 40th St SW is requesting a variance for an entitlement that exceeds 5 acres in total size out of a lot of record. Discussions over the variance and no issues heard if an entitlement is present. Motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Joe Hickman to approve the variance if the applicant has a building entitlement and request the other parcel have a deed restriction if no other building entitlement exists and carried 3-0.

5) Patrick Graham PID 211-000-334100, 334202, 331401 - 5636 & 5616 Dempsey Ave is requesting a variance for an entitlement division that exceeds 10-acres in total size. This request is a split in family land between two brothers after their mother passed away and no building entitlements are being moved. Patrick Graham is requesting 15 acres and William will have 20+ acres. Andrew Hirsch made motion, 2nd by Jill Belland to approve the variance as no building entitlements are being moved and carried 3-0.

6) A motion was made by Joe Hickman, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch to appoint the 2026 list of Election Judges and carried 3-0.

7) MOU on Wright County Recycling Center was discussed – no official action was taken.

8) MOU on Wright County Chipping Partnership was discussed – no official action was taken.

9) Jill Belland and Debbie Uecker gave an update on the City of Buffalo meeting, after the meeting the Township decided it would be best to take the cash option.

10) CD#250 will be renewed for 6 months.

11) Debbie Uecker read a letter that Citizens State Bank is merging with Harvest Bank effective 2/14/26.

12) A motion was made by Jill Belland, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch to have Debbie Uecker apply for a .gov website and carried 3-0.

13) Discussion on the February 23rd meeting, a change in date is needed due to a conflict. Motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Jill Belland to change the February meeting to February 19th at 7pm, with agenda cutoff of February 16th at 5pm and carried 3-0.

14) Maintenance report Friendshuh – cleaned and organized the shop, started making a 3 point attachment for disc, washed trucks, found coolant leak on GMC pickup, replaced starter on 95 Ford, greased equipment, plowed roads, hauled rock on roads, graded and ice chipped roads after ice storms, replaced teeth on grader, fixed the strobe lights on 95 Ford, moved snow bank on 55th St, had Mitch Klien fix the boiler for the in floor heat, had 6 loads of rock hauled in.

Upcoming Events:

February 3, 2026 – Waverly Fire Department Meeting 6:30pm

February 9, 2026 – Audit 7pm, Town Hall

February 19, 2026 – Monthly meeting 7pm Town Hall

March 2, 2026 – Township Day at Capitol 10am-5pm

A motion to approve payroll/claims check numbers 13537 – 13557, EFT 1-2026, 1-2026-1 & 1-2026-2 totaling \$41,702.08 and transfer \$11,000 from money market was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Jill Belland and carried 3-0.

There being no other business to be brought before the Town Board, the monthly meeting was adjourned by Joe Hickman at 8:30 p.m.

Prepared by: _____ Date _____
Debbie Uecker, Clerk/Treasurer

Board Signature: _____ Date _____
Chair

Vice – Chair

Supervisor

Date Filed: _____