

**WEST BRANCH TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026 – 7PM**

Supervisor Kris Shaw called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Pledge of Allegiance followed

Members Present: Kris Shaw, Supervisor; Catherine Shaw, Treasurer; Lisa Johnson, Trustee; and Laurie Beauchamp, Trustee

Motion made by Trustee Johnson and supported by Treasurer Shaw to approve the agenda as presented.

Public Comment – none; four public members were present.

Clerk Appointment – Supervisor Shaw reported that the search for a replacement Clerk for the remainder of previous Clerk's term was advertised on website, posted for public to view both inside the office building and on our sign. Four people inquired with interest in the position. Supervisor spoke with them about the requirements/duties of the Clerk and one expressed they could not commit the time needed, others never followed up after the initial contact. One person, Jane Taylor, Township resident living on Kunde Road, followed up with an email and phone conversation expressing her interest and commitment to position and felt confident she could perform the duties and had the time commitment required to dedicate to the Clerk duties. **Supervisor Shaw made a motion to appoint Jane Taylor, West Branch Resident, to complete the term of the Clerk which expires in fall of 2028. If appointed Clerk would like to continue, she would need to run for election and be on the ballot in 2028. Treasurer Shaw supported the motion. Motion carried unanimously – 4 yeas and 0 nays.**

Supervisor Shaw will contact Jane Taylor to advise her of her appointment and have her contact Treasurer Shaw to be sworn in.

Supervisor Shaw recognized Tanner Watson, the newly appointed Planning Commission Member. Tanner indicated he had been sworn in by previous Deputy Clerk.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm

Respectfully submitted
Laurie Beauchamp, Trustee