

A.C.T. – N.O.W.
Advisory Community Team – Neighbors On Watch
COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES
JULY 20, 2026 (27th ANNUAL MEETING)

The Annual Community Meeting was called to order by Chair John Ellis at 6:57 p.m. with 53 members/guests present.

Board Members Present (stand when name is announced):

- Chair – John Ellis
- Co-Chair – Mike Briggs
- Secretary – Julie Hill
- Treasurer – Bob Barber
- Membership Chair – Carlos Jean Francois (absent)
- Community Representatives (3) – Sharon Zacny, Ralph Rowland (absent), Stanley Baysdell (absent)
- PD Representative – Sgt. John Ellis
- Non-Voting Community Representative – Patrick Mrosz
- Non-Voting Advisory Member – Chief Eric Muszynski

MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 21, 2025, 26th Annual Meeting (see attached) by Bob Barber support by Sharon Zacny. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Bob Barber presented the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year End Treasurer’s Report (see attached). Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report as given by John Ellis, support by Sharon Zacny. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

Chief Muszynski, member of the nominating committee opened the 2026-2027 slate of officers with nominations from the floor at 7:01 p.m.

Chair (Currently John Ellis)

John Ellis was nominated by Sharon Zacny, support by Bob Barber. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Chair be closed with unanimous ballot cast for John Ellis as Chair, support by all, motion carried.

Co-Chair (Currently Mike Briggs)

Mike Briggs was nominated by John Ellis, support by Sharon Zacny. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Co-Chair be closed with unanimous ballot cast for Mike Briggs as Co-Chair, support by all, motion carried.

Treasurer (Currently Bob Barber)

Bob Barber was nominated by Sharon Zacny, support by John Ellis. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Treasurer be closed with unanimous ballot cast for Bob Barber as Treasurer, support by all, motion carried.

Secretary (Currently Julie Hill)

Julie Hill was nominated by John Ellis, support by Sharon Zacny. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Secretary be closed with unanimous ballot cast for Julie Hill as Secretary, support by all, motion carried.

Membership Chair (Currently Carlos Jean-Francois)

Carlos Jean-Francois was nominated by John Ellis, support by Bob Barber. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Membership Chair be closed with unanimous ballot cast for Carlos Jean-Francois as Membership Chair, support by all, motion carried.

Community Representative (Currently Sharon Zacny)

Sharon Zacny was nominated by Julie Hill, support by John Ellis. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Community Rep. be closed with unanimous ballot cast for Sharon Zacny as Community Representative, support by all, motion carried.

Community Representative (Currently Ralph Rowland)

Patrick Mrosz was nominated by John Ellis, support by Sharon Zacny. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Community Rep. be closed with unanimous ballot cast for Patrick Mrosz as Community Representative, support by all, motion carried.

Community Representative (Currently Stanley Baysdell)

Stanley Baysdell was nominated by Dave Blazejewski, support by John Ellis. No other nominations from the floor. Eric Muszynski moved that nominations for Community Rep. be closed with unanimous ballot cast for Stanley Baysdell as Community Representative, support by all, motion carried.

Chief Muszynski has appointed Sgt. John Ellis to the ACT NOW Executive Board as the Police Department Representative. Chief Muszynski will remain on the board as a non-voting advisory member.

Board appointment of Terri Mrosz as the non-voting Citizen Representative. Motion by John Ellis, support by Bob Barber, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Motion by Sharon Zacny to close the above nominations at 7:12 p.m. Support by Dave Blazejewski in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thank you to Blue Line Q and Brew (Allen & Kelly Sharrow) for the great food tonight!**
- **Introduction of new Officer Jeremy Meyer and acknowledgement of all Officers in attendance.**
- Scrap Metal Project has been extremely busy, and the new trailer is making the process much easier and streamlined. Items can be dropped off to the trailer next to the Police Department Impound Lot. If you would like to take something from the scrap trailer, please leave a donation in the box as this is a fundraiser. Thank you to Carlos Jean-Francois and Patrick Mrosz for sorting and taking the scrap metal to the recycling center in Houghton Lake. We have raised approximately \$1,332.48 since the project opened in May and over \$4,200.00 for the fiscal year.
- Annual Golf Outing August 8, 2026 at Redwood Golf Course. Flyers and registration forms/brochures available. We currently have eleven pre-registered teams. Looking for hole sponsors, auction items, etc. **IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO SIT A HOLE GAME OR HELP OTHERWISE, PLEASE SEE JULIE.**
- Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run September 15, 2026. See Julie for registration forms or to purchase a \$20 pre-run sale shirt or \$10.00 Raffle Ticket to support Special Olympics Michigan or a \$20 Challenge Coin/Bottle Opener.
- GTPD has a free mobile app for downloading to either iPhones or Androids. Grab a brochure and scan QR code to download or any officer can assist you with it.

NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

- July 19, 2027 at 6:00 p.m. This will be the **28th Annual Meeting.**

There being no further business, John Ellis made a motion to adjourn the 27th Annual ACT NOW meeting. Support by Sharon Zacny, all in favor, none opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.