| LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING  WEDNESDAY, November 12, 2025, 4:30 P.M. LAKE TOWNSHIP HALL 8105 W. KELLY ROAD, LAKE CITY, MI 49651   | Draft Minutes   |
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| MINUTES   |   |
| Supervisor Hall called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Roll Call: Present – Trustee Bradley, Trustee Norman, Supervisor Hall, Clerk Winkelmann, Treasurer Gaines. Absent-0.   | CALL TO ORDER<br>Roll Call  |
| Moved by Bradley, seconded by Norman to accept the regular meeting minutes of October 8, 2025, as printed.  MOTION CARRIED  | <b>MOTION</b> to approve regular meeting minutes of 10/8/25 as printed. |
| <ul> <li>Treasurer's report received for information.</li> <li>Delinquent sewer amounts were updated with amount changed to \$1128.45.</li> <li>Crooked Lake Association approved a lake assessment amount of \$65.00 that will be paid to Caldwell Township.</li> <li>Transfers between departments: \$5,000.00 addition to budget Cemetery wages 101-567-701.000 Salaries and wages \$5,000.00 101-567-801.000 Cont. Services \$2,500.00 101-567-930.000 Rep. &amp; Maint. \$500.00 101-567.955.000 Misc. \$2000.00 \$5,000.00 addition to budget Parks &amp; Rec Wages 101-101.801.000 Contracted Service \$5,000.00 101-571.701.000 Salaries &amp; Wages \$5,000.00 \$956,565.75 Addition of revenue Parks and Rec-Helmer Park</li> </ul>       | TREASURER'S REPORT  |
| Public Comments: Chris Hackbarth DTE- Regional Mgr. for Wexford/Missaukee North region. Presented a franchise agreement for Lake Township. Looking to come across Seeley which will add service to approximately 226 residents & businesses. Cost will be \$3,000.00 for each resident which can be done in payments. Chris stated that DTE will support the publication requirement for Lake Township. Supervisor Hall stated that we will have our attorney look over the franchise ordinance and discuss it at the next meeting. Chris Andersen- Distributed a copy of ARPA funds received to the board with a description of how ARPA funds could be spent. Stated that zero funds from ARPA were put into the sewer system. Requested that the | PUBLIC COMMENTS   |

General Fund put 25% of ARPA funds into the sewer fund. **Supervisor Hall-** under recommendation from our attorney we did not use ARPA funds for the sewer system because those funds if distributed to the sewer didn't benefit the township as a whole.

Julie Stanley- Resident from North Country subdivision provided a petition with 34 names who are in favor of replacing/repairing the walking/bicycle bridge from North Country to Clam River subdivision. Stated she was concerned for the residents that walked and biked, and the bridge would offer a safer route. Supervisor Hall- we will check the parks and rec plan and start looking for some grants.

**Daire Rendon-** also provided signatures (32) from the same petition circulation in favor of a walking bridge from Clam River sub to North Country sub. Stated when this bridge was previously discussed, she doesn't feel that all neighbors were asked. **Supervisor Hall-** He will talk to Connie from Prein & Newhoff and the Road Commission.

### **Correspondence:**

- Egle- Permit for Orazen- Robb Trail
- Clerk Winkelmann received a Sunlight Award from the Michigan Fair Elections Institute for recognition among 197 (out of 1138) jurisdictions to show no duplicate voter registrations.
- Received Public Hearing Notice from the Wexford County Road Commission for permanent road abandonment of Milne Rd from N 47 ¾ rd to West Round Lake Rd at the Missaukee County Line. Hearing to be held January 9, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.
- Board of Review to meet on December 9, 2025 at 9am at the Lake Township Hall.

## **Committee Reports:**

Sewer- Meeting on 11/10/25 at 4pm. DMR for October has been submitted and soil sample DMR will need redone since numbers were from Bray 2 and not Bray 1. Prein working to update. New monitoring wells installed per Egle requirement by Pearson. Several miss digs. Winterization of equipment started. Sparks reminded that they are still waiting on Confined Space Ordinance and property damage, homeowner fault. Approximately \$2100.00 for Prein to do elevation for new wells, decided to go with another contractor in the amount of \$600.00. Egle permit fee will be \$1800.00, approximately \$5,000.00 cheaper due to being put into a different group. No way for a refund. Bruce and Pat are working on next years budget. Financial report from Clerk

### CORRESPONDENCE

## COMMITTEE REPORTS SEWER

Winkelmann reviewed. Dani Lutke questioned some of the bills, Bruce and Pat answered. Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.

FIRE- Meeting 11/10/25. Looked over financials, Sparks answered questions regarding bills. Went over runs for the month. Two new single gas (CO) detectors were ordered and soon be in service. Jason Zorn would like to join the department. He works for the DNR and is a state certified instructor. Chief attempting to get registered into the new NERIS system. Many having difficulties accessing the system. Working through continuing education requirements with FFTC. Issues with I am Responding as it has expired. Chief personally purchased 4 gas detectors. Carol Bradley making changes in Policy manual. Discussed a hiring committee to be formed. MOVED by Norman to form a hiring committee with Deputy Chief, Captain, Lieutenant and one fire board member. Final say will come from Chief Bradley. Seconded by Winkelmann. MOTION CARRIED. Next Chief's meeting will be November 19th- to discuss continuing education and dispatching fire in accidents and not on the CAD system. Joe Kowalski to do maintenance repairs to vehicles and Bruce Sparks to perform routine maintenance and inspections. Discussion about a decrease presented in the fire run bill for the Cadillac Sportsman's Club between Chief and their (Club) insurance agent. MOVED by Clerk Winkelmann to accept the adjusted amount of \$4500.00 for 15 acres for full payment. Seconded by Norman. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Yes- Gaines, Hall, Bradley, Norman, Winkelmann. No-0. Abesnt-0. Adjourned at 5:19pm.

**ROADS- NA** 

**FIRE** 

**MOTION** to form hiring committee for fire. Committee to consist of Deputy Chief, Captain, Lieutenant and one fire board member with Chief Bradley to have the final say.

**MOTION** to accept the decreased offer amount from insurance of \$4500.00 for a fire run at the Cadillac Sportsman Club.

**ROADS** 

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Helmer Park- Draw #5 paperwork presented. MOVED by Norman to pay draw #5 in the amount of \$191,923.05 with a MIClass transfer into General Fund for reimbursement back to MIClass when DNR funds are received. Seconded by Gaines. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Yes- Winkelmann, Bradley, Hall, Gaines, Norman. No-0. Absent-0.

**MOTION** to pay Helmer Park draw #5 in the amount of \$191,923.05.

# **New Business:**

 Board went over OHM Intergovernmental Agreement which would be between the City of Lake City, Missaukee County and Lake Township. Service provides real time data for lake levels. All parties would have to agree for agreement to take .

| effect. <b>MOTION</b> by Norman to accept the Intergovernmental agreement up to \$3,000.00 for monitoring the lake levels in Missaukee. Seconded by Bradley. <b>MOTION CARRIED</b> . Roll Call: Yes- Hall, Gaines, Winkelmann, Bradley, Norman. No-0. Absent-0.  | MOTION to accept the Intergovernmental agreement up to \$3,000.00 for monitoring lake levels in Missaukee. |
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| <ul> <li>Treasurer Gaines presented information on a budget class given by Cindy Dodge who is retired from the MTA. Cindy will come in and look at current budget and offer her expertise on where we are and suggestions on the future budgeting.         MOVED by Winkelmann to spend up to \$1,000.00 on the budget consulting for Treasurer and Clerk on December 1, 2025. Seconded by Norman.         MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Yes- Bradley, Gaines, Hall, Norman, Winkelmann. No-0. Absent-0.</li> </ul> | MOTION to spend up to \$1,000.00 on budget consulting with Cindy Dodge.                                    |
| MOTION by Gaines, Seconded by Norman to pay the Sewer bills with addition \$15,097.98. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Winkelmann, Hall, Bradley, Norman, Gaines. No-0. Absent-0.   | MOTION to pay sewer bills with addition \$15,097.98.   |
| MOTION by Norman to pay township bills with addition in the amount of \$24,298.88. Seconded by Gaines. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Hall, Winkelmann, Bradley, Gaines, Norman. No-0. Absent-0.   | MOTION to pay township bills with addition \$24,298.88.  |
| MOTION by Gaines to pay Fire bills with addition in the amount of \$11,917.79. Seconded by Bradley. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Yes- Norman, Hall, Winkelmann, Bradley, Gaines. No-0. Absent-0.   | MOTION to pay Fire bills with addition \$11,917.79.  |
| Motion by Hall, seconded by Bradley to adjourn.  MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.  | ADJOURNED  |
| Korinda Winkelmann, Township Clerk Date  | Minutes prepared by:<br>Korinda Winkelmann, Township<br>Clerk  |
| Robert Hall, Twp. Supervisor Date  |  |
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