

LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, October 8, 2025, 4:30 P.M. LAKE TOWNSHIP HALL 8105 W. KELLY ROAD, LAKE CITY, MI 49651 MINUTES	Approved 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 Roll Call
Moved by Bradley, seconded by Norman to accept the regular meeting minutes of September 11, 2025, as printed. MOTION CARRIED	MOTION to approve regular meeting minutes of 9/11/25 as printed.
Treasurer's report received for information. - MI 250 Grant Program to preserve MI history with no match. Applying for this grant to offset the cost of the sign for Helmer Park and the Historical Society. Requesting permission to pay \$1100.00 for a downpayment to DeRuiter Woodcrafts so that he can get started on the sign. MOTION by Gaines to pay \$1100.00 to DeRuiter Woodcraft as a downpayment for the Helmer Park Historical sign. Seconded by Bradley. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Yes- Hall, Winkelmann, Norman, Bradley, Gaines. No-0. Absent-0. - Budget revision of \$112.79 from 2023 from the State for small business taxpayer exemption. - Transfer of \$140,400.92 from GENF to MI Class from original transfer (\$140,400.92) from MI Class to GENF for payment to CJ's Excavating because DNR thought they wouldn't be able to submit payment pre-DNR shutdown.	TREASURER'S REPORT MOTION to pay downpayment of \$1100.00 to DeRuiter Woodcraft for Helmer Park Historical sign.
Public Comments: Doreen Allen- Introduced herself as the Crooked Lake representative for the Lake Improvement Board. Elise McCullough/Dan Viox- Together discussed concerns with the Sapphire Lake water levels that are low. Requested that the muck be taken care of. They spoke with the DNR who referred them to EGLE. Asked, what do we do? Are we on our own? Are their grants available? Can the Township help? EGLE would have to approve the site plans, then they would need to find a contractor. They did ask EGLE if they could recommend a contractor or supply a list of contractors, the answer was no. They stated that Progressive/PLM helped with	PUBLIC COMMENTS

the lily pads, now there is a 50x20 ft bog/island. Over a 3-week period the lake has dried up 2 more ft. Asked if a baseline testing had been done? Requested forming a subcommittee. Residents gathered to create a list of subcommittee members for presentation to the board. Shirley Stanley- From the M-55/Blue Rd subdivision area. Stated that the county damaged the bridge from River Woods subdivision to North Country subdivision years ago. Wants to know if they can get a walking/bike bridge to replace the damaged bridge that will connect those subdivisions. Supervisor Hall stated that we looked into fixing that bridge quite a while ago and the residents from the River Woods subdivision were against it. He told Ms. Stanley to get a petition going to see how many residents would want it. Ms. Stanley also stated that several years ago, the county said that they would pay for it. Chris Andersen- Provided a paper to the board showing that the Crow's Nest and property in question with the Hindy lawsuit is not a part of the plat. Joel Grumm- Questioned all the green posts that are popping up. There is no phone number on the markers, what are they for? Bruce Sparks- They are manhole markers. Larry Meyer- re: green posts- In the middle of our yard? Why can't the posts be put somewhere else instead of the middle of someone's yard? Can it be moved to the left? Supervisor Hall is having Bruce Sparks meet with property owners to see where to move post markers.	
Correspondence: • EGLE- Permit for Joy • Liquor Control- name change from Wildbiz to Powerpeak	CORRESPONDENCE
Committee Reports: Sewer- Meeting 10/6/25. Soil samples and reporting submitted. Phone numbers on all step units. New permit in effect and signed contract with Prein-Newhof to update DMP, SAP, O&M for \$18,500.00. Pearson has contract for new monitoring wells and tentative drill date(s) Nov. 3,4 &5. New contact for EGLE is Cortney Quist. Ponds are 4'11" with no discharge in Sept. Inputting data into Silversmith and have 1 ½ books left to verify. Questioned if possible to sell some fixture parts that are not needed and wondered if we could sell and how to handle that. Supervisor Hall stated that those items could be posted and we would accept closed bids. Still waiting on ordinance amendment regarding property damage. Bruce has been working with Mrs. Mys about her sewer bill, did a home visit and can correct her bill due to incorrect charges. Adjourned 4:27pm.	COMMITTEE REPORTS SEWER

Fire- Meeting 10/6/25. No fire runs for September. Received notification NFIRS will be switching to NERIS effective January 2026. MiFFTC has started their requirement for continuing education. Truck checks have not been documented since July. Lt. Sparks will check vehicles on a monthly basis. Truck maintenance will be done by Cptn. Kowalski. ADK 3-1 ice tool has been received and put into service today. Ricardo Martin will be at meeting today to put article in paper recognizing the Cadillac Community Foundation and Bohning Corporation. DNR auditing resources that we have received and put in inventory from them; they do this annually. Generator is too costly to fix, so it is not in service. He will pass word along. Update SOP's and SOG's being worked on. Payroll was handed out and explained. Total payroll was \$13,065.00 not including maintenance and taxes. Advisory approved pay up to \$15,000.00. Meeting adjourned at 5:27pm. Roads- NA	FIRE
Unfinished Business: NONE	
New Business: • Subcommittee for Sapphire Lake Improvement was presented. MOVED by Norman to approve the subcommittee list of 13 people for Sapphire Lake Improvement with a 1-year sunset date. Seconded by Bradley. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Yes- Gaines, Winkelmann, Hall, Bradley, Norman. No-0. Absent-0. • Delinquent Sewer City - \$3491.61. An updated balance will be provided on 10/15/25. Delinquent tax for Lake Township tax & sewer is \$19,041.32. MOVED by Norman to approve City delinquent sewer amounts \$3491.61 and township tax and sewer amounts \$19,041.32. Seconded by Winkelmann. MOTION CARRIED. • Pam Hill to meet with community members on 10/20/25 to make wreaths for the Veterans graves, will take place in the fire barn. Supervisor Hall to get the boughs at no cost. Clerk Winkelmann to donate bows for project.	MOTION to form a subcommittee of 13 people for Sapphire Lake Improvement with a one-year sunset date. MOTION for City delinquent sewer amounts \$3491.61 and Lake Township delinquent sewer and tax in the amount of \$19,041.32.
MOTION by Gaines, Seconded by Bradley to pay the Sewer bills as printed \$16,672.15. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Hall, Norman, Winkelmann, Bradley, Gaines. No-0. Absent-0.	MOTION to pay sewer bills as printed \$16,672.15.

MOTION by Gaines to pay township bills as presented in the amount of \$162,710.95. Seconded by Norman. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Winkelmann, Bradley, Hall, Norman, Gaines. No-0. Absent-0.	MOTION to pay township bills as presented \$162,710.95.
MOTION by Norman to pay Fire bills as printed in the amount of \$34,703.54. Seconded by Bradley. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Yes- Gaines, Hall, Winkelmann, Bradley, Norman. No-0. Absent-0.	MOTION to pay Fire bills as printed \$34,703.54.
Motion by Hall, seconded by Gaines to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.	ADJOURNED
_____ Korinda Winkelmann, Township Clerk Date	Minutes prepared by: Korinda Winkelmann, Township Clerk
_____ Robert Hall, Twp. Supervisor Date	
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