

~~Unapproved~~ Approved Meeting Minutes March 13<sup>th</sup> 2025  
Board Meeting

Call to order 7:00 pm

Roll Call: Skeans here, Roach here, Bean here, Forrester here, Gomery absent

Pledge of allegiance

Amendments to agenda: none

Review of minutes: (Regular meeting February 13<sup>th</sup>) Motion by Skeans second by Roach to approve the meeting minutes of February 13<sup>th</sup> All in favor say aye, ayes have it 4-0 motion carries.

Clerks Report: Received a letter from a young girl who's in school at Byron Center Christian school in Byron Michigan named Kiya she selected our township to write a speech about supplied her with all the info needed and also sent her 2 yooperlites thanks Rick Brockway for those stone. Received 39,538.41 from the State of Michigan for penalties fines and overpayments. IRS will also issue a check in the amount of little over 40,423.65 has been a long 5 months of calls and faxing supporting documents to achieve this. Also received 2,000.00 from Chippewa County Road Commission for reimbursement of Brine thanks to Trustee Gomery to get the ball rolling on that.

Treasurers Report: Our Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer has worked hard and diligent to close the tax year out correctly and efficiently and has accomplished that.

Supervisor Report: Had one injury which constituted a workman's comp claim slipped on the ice during February. The claim is currently closed.

Presentation of bills: February bills total 30,489.16 February Payroll totals 24,507.62 For a grand total of 54,996.78. Skeans makes a motion to pay the bills in the amount of 54,996.78 second by Roach. Roll call vote, Skeans Yes, Roach yes, Bean yes, Gomery absent.

Correspondence/Recognition/Announcements: Tourism council supplied the TAP grant agreement and shows the money sitting in an account at Soo Coop. They sent notice to agree to pay 3,000.00 for the Fireworks display of 2025. Also MDHS has funding available and grants.

Public Comment: Janeen Hall spoke about how we must as a community support and listen to the needs of our EMS service providers motion by Roach second by Bean to let Janeen go over her allotted 3 minutes. Scott Erickson spoke about STRS and asking the township to get ~~some~~ rules in place to review the PRE's in place for the strs. Also how he fell and hurt himself. Deb Skeans spoke about the go fund me is up and running for 2025 fireworks display and has already collected 40.00.

Fire Department report: Has been submitted by the Fire Chief for all months except June, July, August, and September. October, November, December and January and February reports were given. October: Brush fire Hulbert rd and a side x side versus car in Strongs. November: No calls

December: Couple of lift assists house fire Trout Lake and car rollover PIA. January: No calls

February: Cpr Training Hose rack ready by April, 2 calls lift assist and snowmobile rescue.

Rescue sled caught fire brakes stuck it has been repaired and back in service.

EMS Report: All shifts and calls for February answered. Still waiting 800 radio programming  
Annual inspection is April.

Nemsa: Held a meeting next meeting March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at KCT hall.

Library: Asking for quilters, knitters, sewers, and crafters welcome to join each on Thursday  
from 12:00pm-4:00pm bring what you need and share your skills. Book club continues to meet  
first Wednesday of every month beginning at 4:00pm if interested in joining contact library.

April 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm the library will be hosting a seminar Pickin with the Champ presented by  
Anthony Williams a National Champion Morel Mushroom picker come and learn from the best.

Zoning Board of Appeals: No report

Blight Enforcement: No Officer appointed

Planning Commission: Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Masterplan/STR app and land use

Guest Speaker: Mike Hobbs-Community Heart and soul survey to help with Master plan and  
community needs. Motion by Forrester to approve 4500.00 fee to start this survey second by  
Roach Roll call: Skeans yes, Roach yes, Bean yes, Forrester yes, Gomery absent

Old Business

Ordinance enforcement **officer**: vacant

Zonning Board of Appeals appointment: Graham bean wrote a letter of intent to be on the  
zba. Motion by Forrester second by ~~Roach~~ Skeans to approve Graham Bean to zba second by  
Skeans All in favor say Aye 3-yes 0 no one abstained. Motion carries.

Tap Grant: Letter and agreement received from Tourism Council and MDOT is out talking to  
businesses this past week.

Nemsa: Supervisor statement on Nemsa

New **Articles of Of Incorporation**: Motion by Forrester second by Roach to discuss articles of  
incorporation of Nemsa Discussion 30-minute discussion, Roll call vote, Skeans No, Roach No,  
Bean No, Forrester Yes, Gomery Absent. Motion Fails.

Policy Review: Purchase policy motion by Roach to approve the Purchase policy that was  
written in November 2023 second by Skeans all in favor say Aye 4 yes-0 no motion carries.

Credit Card Policy motion by Roach to approve the Credit Card Policy second by Bean all in favor  
say aye 4 yes-0 no motion carries.

New Business:

Library agreement: There is an operational agreement with the Whitefish Township board and  
Library Board that was signed in 2013-2014 and comes up on June of 2026. Township will  
discuss at later date about either withdrawing or approving a new agreement.

PAAC waiver for community center use: motion by Forrester second by Skeans to approve the waiver of PAAC of all fees to use the community center facilities. All in favor say Aye 4 yes-0 no 1 absent Motion passes

Clerk Desk: The clerk desk is too small for the clerk and obsolete wants approval to buy a desk from Uline for 1250 plus shipping. Motion by Skeans second by Forrester to approve clerk to buy the desk. Roll call Skeans yes, Roach Yes, Bean Yes, Gomery absent Motion carries.

Motion by Forrester second by Roach to adjourn at 8:24pm all in favor say Aye 4yes-0 no 1 absent