

TOWNSHIP OF CHESANING
APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
1025 BRADY ST.
CHESANING, MI 48616

October 2, 2025
7:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting: Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Trustees.

Members Present: Supervisor Joe Ruthig, Clerk Daniel Himstedt, Treasurer Cathy Gross, Trustees Kevin Carlton, Scott Mrdeza, and Sarah Tomac, and Ken Hornak

Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: (Additions to the agenda will be handled under New Business) Agenda was presented for approval. MOTION by Hornak supported by Carlton to accept agenda as presented. Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes: September 9, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes presented for approval. MOTION by Hornak supported by Tomac to approve the September 9, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes: September 9, 2025 Closed Session Minutes presented for approval. MOTION by Mrdeza supported by Gross to approve the September 9, 2025 Closed Session Meeting Minutes. Motion Passed.

Presentations: Presentation by legal counsel Lindsay Dangle, and Seth Koches regarding appeal by DTE in Saginaw County Circuit Court.

Correspondence: None

Brief Public Comments: Three Minutes Per Person (Agenda Items Only) Public comment began at 7:08 with 4 comments heard by the board.

Committee/Board Reports:

- County Commissioner-Dennis Harris
- County Road Commission-Dennis Borchard
- SCTOA-Ken Hornak:
- **Cemetery**-Daniel Himstedt, Scott Mrdeza, Cathy Gross: Water will be turned off end of October.
- Building Official-Rob Kehoe
- Ordinance and Zoning Enforcement Officer-Pat Olk
- **Rehmann Health Center**-Cathy Gross: There will be no Mobile Dental Clinic until November. WIC continues to use the facilities. Chesaning United will be handing out the second phase of money donated. They will be handing out \$11,000.00. Caring Closets at all three schools will receive funds as well as three other organizations.
- **Fire Board** -Joe Ruthig: 154 runs to date with 11 in the month of August. Pump testing was completed and all passed. There were a few issues with some packings and some gaskets but they are being scheduled for repair. A bench was placed at the fire hall in memory of Don Swartzmiller. The side marker lights on engine number one all need to be replaced with LED bulbs. The Fire Department has been working with the village on some inspections for new businesses coming to Chesaning.
- **MMWA**-Daniel Himstedt, Ken Hornak. Next meeting scheduled for October 13, 2025
- **Task Force**-Joseph Ruthig: Next meeting will be on October 28, 2025
- **Parks & Rec**-Kevin Carlton and Sarah Tomac: The Kayak Launch will be removed for the winter on October 25th at 9:00 am. It will be stored in the Cemetery barn for the winter. There are some people that would like to donate some money in memory of Phil Schmiedege.
- Planning Commission-Scott Mrdeza: Next meeting is November 5, 2025

Board Officials Reports:

Supervisor: Young's Inter-County Drain Board met here this morning. Bids will go out November 3rd. There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting on November 10th that will be at the Township Hall. Planning to open the bids on November 11th at the Shiawassee County Drain Commission. Bid Approvals are planned for January 7th. So the estimated start of the project is mid-April to mid-May with completion scheduled for October 31, 2026. Saginaw County Parks Newsletter arrived with many different activities upcoming. The Newsletter will be posted on the bulletin board at the Township Hall

Clerk: Voter Identification cards have been sent out. If you did not receive one you may want to come into the Office to see if your address is correct. Election mail cannot be forwarded and I received quite a few back in the mail. The ID cards are not something that I need back they are for your information.

Treasurer: Summer Tax season taxes were due September 15th so if you haven't paid them they are now getting 2% interest. Overall 82% of the summer taxes were paid by the 15th. 30 people made use of the online payment option. Next month I will be attending the Saginaw County Treasurer's Meeting at the Courthouse to prepare for the winter tax bill. We got a personal property tax reimbursement check in the amount of \$341.20

Unfinished Business: Consider the Chesaning Township Noxious Weed Ordinance NO. 2025-004: MOTION by Mrdeza supported by Tomac to adopt ordinance number 2025-004. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Carlton, Tomac, Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Ruthig. Nays None Motion Carries.

New Business:

- A. **Consider PA-116 Application for Parcel # 13-09-3-14-4001-011:** MOTION by Hornak supported by Gross to accept the PA-116 application for Parcel # 13-09-3-14-4001-011. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Tomac, Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Carlton Ruthig. Nays: None Motion Carries.
- B. **Consider PA-116 Partial Termination Resolution for Parcel # 13-09-3-10-1002-002:** MOTION by Hornak supported by Carlton to accept the PA-116 partial termination resolution for Parcel # 13-09-3-10-1002-002. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Carlton, Tomac, Ruthig. Nays: None. Motion Carries.
- C. **Consider Purchase of Kayak Launch Removal/Installation Wheels (\$2,503.96) Possible Cost Share with Village:** MOTION by Mrdeza supported by Hornak to Purchase removal/installation wheels at a cost of \$2,503.96. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Carlton, Tomac, Hornak, Ruthig. Nays: None Motion Carries.
- D. **Consider Special Assessment Roll for Property Additions and Deletions:** MOTION by Carlton supported by Tomac to add Parcel # 13-09-3-21-2015-002 to the winter assessment roll for trash pickup. Motion Carried
- E. **Consider 2025 Winter Tax Refuse and Recycling Assessment Rate:** MOTION by Hornak supported by Carlton to assess the 2025 winter tax rate to \$182.00 for trash and recycling. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Carlton, Tomac, Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Ruthig. Nays: None Motion Carries.
- F. **Consider Renewal of Membership with Saginaw Area GIS Authority:** Tabled until November meeting.
- G. **Consider removal of Township Park Port-A-Potties:** Board agreed to leave the Port-A-Potty at the cemetery over the winter but to remove the two at the parks.

Public Comment: Three minutes Per Person (any topic): Public Comment began at 8:00 pm with 0 comment heard by the board.

Township Board Comment: 1 comment heard from the board.

Approval of Bills: Approve the bills in the amount of \$89,145.14. **MOTION:** by Himstedt supported by Hornak to pay the bills in the amount of \$89,145.14. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Tomac, Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Carlton, Ruthig Nays: none. Motion Passed.

Adjournment: Motion by Tomac, supported by Himstedt to adjourn the meeting at 8:08p.m. Motion Passed.

Approved: _____

Daniel Himstedt
Chesaning Township Clerk

Supervisor Approval – Yes___ No___

Change Requests_____

Supervisor Joe Ruthig_____ Date:_____