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

September 3, 2026
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 Joseph Ruthig, Clerk Daniel Himstedt, Treasurer Cathy Gross, Trustees Kevin Carlton, Sarah Tomac, Russell Krish, Scott Mrdeza

Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: (Additions to the agenda will be handled under New Business) Agenda was presented for approval. MOTION: by Carlton, supported by Tomac, to approve September 4, 2026 agenda. Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes: August 6, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes were presented for approval. MOTION by Mrdeza supported by Krish to approve August 6, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion Passed.

Presentations:.Village Police Chief Meder: Chief Meder presented information on the Interlocal Agreement for Grant Funded Police Services provided to Chesaning Township over the last year.

Correspondence: Chesaning Township received a Thank You letter from Rescue Me Lawn Care

Public Comment: Three Minutes Per Person (Agenda Items Only) One comment was heard by the board related to Item b under New Business.

Committee/Commission Reports:

a. **County Commissioner** - Dennis Harris: Shared a copy of the ballot style for Chesaning Village. He shared that at this time there are 4 proposals that will be on the ballot.
b. County Road Commission - Dennis Borchard
c. **Cemetery Committee** - Scott Mrdeza, Daniel Himstedt, Cathy Gross: The headstone that had fallen has been fixed and the concrete that was approved in front of the barn has been formed but has not yet been poured.
d. Building Official - Rob Kehoe
e. Ordinance and Zoning Enforcement Officer **-** Pat Olk:
f. **Rehmann Health Center** - Cathy Gross: Nothing to report. There is not a scheduled date for the Mobile Dental Bus at this time.
g. **Fire Board Authority** - Joseph Ruthig: There were 18 runs for the month of July and 124 runs year to date. Chesaning Brady Fire Department was awarded an American

Firefighters Grant for about $40,000.00 which will be used for various pieces of new equipment. New tires have been purchased for Truck #1 and will be installed soon. The Saginaw County Fair went well with no issues for the Fire Department. The Chesaning Brady Fire Department is seeking bids on a new phone system. The 2026 Audit was received with no discrepancies. We signed a 3 year engagement letter with Berthiaume & Co. to continue as the Auditor. Chesaning Brady Fire Department received a site plan for review for an addition to the Bolan's Tire Building.

h. Mid-Michigan Waste Authority - Daniel Himstedt, (Russell Krish, Alternate) Nothing to report at this time.
i. **Task Force** - Joseph Ruthig - (Kevin Carlton, alternate):
j. **Township Parks** - Kevin Carlton, Sarah Tomac: The original turbine and part of the line shaft are going to be installed at Parshallburg Park. Some other historical items will be placed at the park. The Kayak Launch is planned to be removed on the 19th.
k. Planning Commission - Scott Mrdeza: They have been working on ordinances related to data centers and other.

Board Official Reports:

a. Supervisor Ruthig: I have submitted all of the paperwork for the Renewable Ready Community Award through EGLE and have received confirmation that we are in the cue. We should see our first payment in the spring when construction begins. Work is ongoing along Ditch Rd. on the Young's InterCounty Drain. "The Moving Wall", a Vietnam Veterans Memorial, arrived in Chesaning this morning. It will be on display at Showboat Park starting with opening ceremonies tomorrow at 9:00 am through Monday. For more information there is a very good story written by Jeanne Marcello in this week's Tri-County Citizen. A Cross Tube is being replaced at the corner of Stuart Rd. and Chesaning Rd. The cost will be covered under the Primary Rd funding so no cost to Chesaning Township
b. Clerk Himstedt: The final round of AV Applications has been sent out along with a letter explaining what will happen moving forward with Absentee Ballots. Applications will no longer be sent out however applications can be completed online, or requested from the township. Residents who are on the Permanent Ballot List will be sent a ballot for every election that they are eligible to vote in. I have heard from the County that ballot proofs should be out soon and they were hoping to send them to the printer on the 8th. They should be arriving to the townships around the 19th which is forty-five days prior to the election. I will begin sending them out following the preliminary accuracy test.
c. Treasurer Gross: Taxes are still being collected September 14th will be the last day to pay without interest. On September 15th 1 percent will be added, October 1st 2 percent will be added and so forth until March. About 12 Residents have made use of online payments. So far there has been one duplicate payment which was reversed. I am still working on delinquent personal properties. Otherwise business has been regular. Daystar has contacted the township to secure a permit through the Metro act which will allow us to get some money back for the use of our right of way.

Unfinished Business:

a. Update of Noise Ordinance: No update at this time

New Business:

a. Consider Personal Property Loan Agreement with Matthew Mallory: MOTION by Krish supported by Tomac to enter an agreement with Matthew Mallory for the purpose of displaying the turbine and line shaft from the Pashallburg Mill at Parshallburg Park. Motion Passed
b. Consider Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licence:MOTION by Mrdeza supported by Carlton to adopt a resolution recognizing the Chesaning Veteran's Association as a charitable organization for purposes of a gaming license. Roll Call Yeas: Tomac, Mrdeza, Krish, Gross, Himstedt, Carlton. Nays: none. Abstain: Ruthig Motion passed.
c. Consider Interlocal Agreement with Village of Chesaning for Police Services: MOTION by Gross supported by Carlton to enter into the interlocal agreement with the Village of Chesaning for police services. Roll Call Vote Yeas: Carlton, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Tomac, Krish, Ruthig. Nays: none. Motion passed.
d. Consider Purchase of Moving Dollies for Kayak Launch ($240.00): MOTION by Mrdeza supported by Tomac to purchase some moving dollies for the kayak launch Roll Call Vote: Gross, Himstedt, Krish, Carlton, Tomac, Mrdeza, Ruthig Nays: none Motion passed.
e. Consider Joint Parks and Recreation Plan with Saginaw County: Consensus of the board agreed to join with the County for Parks and Recreation instead of the Village.

Public Comment: Three Minutes Per Person (Any Topic) One comment was heard by the Board.

Approval of the Bills: MOTION by Himstedt supported by Tomac to Pay the bills in the amount of $144,968.26. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Carlton, Krish, Tomac, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Ruthig Nays: none Motion Passed.

Adjournment: MOTION to adjourn at 8:02 pm by Tomac supported by Carlton. Motion Passed.

Approved __10-1-2026_____

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Daniel Himstedt
Chesaning Township Clerk

Supervisor Approval Yes _X__ No_____

Change Requests ___None_____

Supervisor Joseph Ruthig: _____ Date: __10-1-2026_____