

Proposed Minutes of May 12, 2025

The Ossineke Township Board met in Regular Session, at the Ossineke Twp. Hall. Supervisor Lobert called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board Members present were Supervisor Lobert, Clerk Jo'Lee S Dorie, Treasurer Denise Schultz, and Trustee Jerry Leschinger. Absent: Trustee Randy Fairbanks. Also present were Mike Eller, Caroline Siegert, Jack Tufts, Vic Patzer, Mary and Gary Jenuwine, Kevin Grulke, Ken Lind, Amy Roznowski, John Abbott, and Bonnie and Ed LaFleur.

The minutes of April 14, 2025, were approved as read.

The Treasurer reported balances on hand as of May 1, 2025, as follows:

\$815,579.46 in the General Fund
\$1,495.06 in the Liquor Fund
\$68,504.74 in the Fire Protection & Equipment Fund
\$362.37 in the Trust and Agency

Treasurer report filed as read.

CITIZENS:

Bonnie and Ed LaFleur brought a blight complaint to the board regarding their Neighbor on Wolf Creek Road by the hall. Lobert suggested they contact the Health Department, and he will speak with Randy and reach out to our attorney for next steps.
John Abbott asked what we could do about cleaning up the bridge on Hubert Rd at the river. He would love to see it cleaned up and have a nice access for residents. Lobert let him know that the Road Commission has jurisdiction.
Ken Lind from Lind & Lind Insurance Agency, Inc gave a presentation on our insurance and coverage.
Mike Eller informed us that the old red ambulance that people had concerns on whether it was legal for the owner to be driving it can put away their fears as it is legal as the vehicle has no emergency lights, signs etc. on it any longer.

LIQUOR:

February, March and April liquor inspections forms were reviewed and signed.

ZONING:

3 Zoning permits issued.

PLANNING:

Planning had a meeting to review the site plan on April 23, 2025.

ROAD CONTRACTS:

Lobert reviewed the proposed road projects from Alpena County Road Commission for Ossineke Township in 2025. Total amount is \$124,028.00 with the township share being \$82,179.00. Leschinger moved, Dorie supported, **CARRIED**, to sign the proposed road contracts, once received from county.

TOWNSHIP HALL:

Lobert has contacted Ron Liske to remove the trees that fell onto our fence at the hall from Ed and Bonnie LaFleur's property next door during the ice storm. Property owners will be working with Ron Liske during the process. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to hire Ron Liske at \$100.00 an hour. Lobert will work on fixing the fence after the trees have been cleaned up.

ASSESSOR:

Lobert attended an assessor's class in West Branch April 22nd, attending one in Grayling May 14th and a Zoom class on June 18th at the township hall. Schultz moved, Dorie supported, **CARRIED**, to pay all expenses for the assessor to attend.
Lobert also informed the board that he expects Sabrina to be taking over more of the assessing this year.

CLERK:

Leschinger moved, Dorie supported, **CARRIED**, to send any board member that wishes to attend the MTA's Earned Sick Time Act and your Township workshop and to send Ann Gonsler to the Cemetery Challenges and Solutions workshop in Gaylord, June 18th in Gaylord.

GREEN TOWNSHIP:

Schultz moved, Dorie supported, **CARRIED**, to sign the 2025-2026 Green Township Fire Protection and Rescue Agreements.

LIONS PARK:

The township has approached the Hubbard Lake Lions to break the lease of the township property because the Hubbard Lake Fire Department would like the use of the property for training and storage. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to work on breaking the lease with the Hubbard Lake Lions Club.

BS&A:

Schultz informed the board that she is working with BS&A to get a credit card payment system online in order to be able to accept tax bills. This is at no cost to the township. Ken Lind suggested that we ensure BS&A has Cyber Insurance that protects the township, not just them. Dorie moved, Schultz supported, **CARRIED**, to sign any paperwork needed to set up credit card payments through BS&A.

BILLS:

Schultz moved, Dorie supported, **CARRIED**, to pay all bills presented 12709-12734.

ADJOURNMENT:

Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to adjourn at 8:38 p.m.



Jo'Lee S Dorie
Township Clerk