

**Lake Township-Roscommon County
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday July 8th, 2025**

Regular meeting of the Lake Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Board members present: Supervisor; John Hibbard, Treasurer; Harry Trier, Trustee; Pam Surprenant, Clerk;
Andrea Grabowski and Trustee; Scott Hassler

Motion Trier seconded by Hibbard to approve the agenda with additions. AIF. MC.

Motion Trier seconded by Grabowski to approve board meeting minutes with corrections from June 10th, 2025.
AIF. MC

Motion Trier seconded by Hibbard to approve the bills and payroll checks #46172 through #46208 and post audit of bills presented on EFT check register. AIF. MC.

Unfinished Business:

Motion Surprenant seconded by Hibbard to front load all the employees for ESTA submit the fire department ESTA letters to the fire chief and have the letters explained to the department sent back to the clerk's office. ESTA letters for Rose and Houserman will be routed through their township mailbox and returned to the clerk. The clerk will follow up at the monthly board meetings on the return rate and this is a policy that is mandated by the State of Michigan. AIF MC

Motion Hibbard seconded by Trier to accept the Marihuana Amendment 56D as presented. RC: Hibbard aye, Hassler aye, Surprenant aye, Grabowski aye, Trier aye. (5 ayes, 0 nays) MC

Motion Surprenant seconded by Hibbard to forward the changed marihuana renewal application with 90day approval out to the provisioning center. AIF MC

Motion Hibbard seconded by Hassler to add to the Ethics Chapter 3.1 - 3.54 (3.55) Ethical conduct at meetings discussion and actions at township meetings should be conducted with respect and decorum and continue a professional atmosphere. AIF MC

New Business:

Financial Report was given by Treasurer and filed.

Motion Trier seconded by Hibbard to treasurer to be allowed to purchase 500 of the United States Post Office pre-stamped envelopes with Lake Township return address on it at a cost of \$410.20 AIF MC

HLSA/HLBA was given.

Fire Chief's Report given and filed.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report given by OEO.

Planning Commission Report was received and filed.

Motion Hibbard seconded by Trier to ask the PC to revise the ordinances before the public hearing and have it sometime in July so we can have it back by August. AIF MC

Motion Hibbard seconded by Trier ~~for Hibbard, Trier, and Hassler to send out a survey to Lake Township to get the pulse of the people on how they feel about proposed ordinance changes in Lake Township~~ that we send out a survey to all taxpayers and we get these items on there so we can get the pulse of the township not just a few. (3 ayes, 2 nays) MC

ZBA Report received and filed.

Motion Hibbard seconded by Trier to accept Kris Patterson's resignation in good standing. AIF MC

Motion Hibbard seconded by Hassler to appoint Mark Zaroff to the ZBA alternate position term 2/1/23-2/1/26. (3 ayes, 2 nays) MC

Assessor Report received and filed.

Board of Review has a meeting Tuesday July 22, 2025 @ Noon

Houghton Lake Improvement Board Report given.

Houghton Lake Ambulance Authority was given.

Parks & Recreation Report Prien working on solar power with solar company. Township should receive a quarterly report coming shortly. Thank you to all who have donated their time to the park.

Supervisor Report OMA lawsuit has been dismissed. The supreme court did not take it.

Motion Grabowski seconded by Trier to engage with H&S Companies for \$11,500.00 for the 24/25 FY audit. AIF MC

Motion Hibbard seconded by Grabowski to accept Resolution 2025-11 of Support “Coast to Coast on MI 55” Recreational Pure Michigan Byway Designation. RC: Hibbard aye, Hassler aye, Surprenant aye, Grabowski aye, Trier aye. (5 ayes, 0 nays) MC

Discussion on the upcoming election in November for Houghton Lake Community Schools, clerk Grabowski to do 1 day of voting on November 4th, 2025.

Motion Surprenant seconded by Grabowski to approve Resolution 2025-12 shall Lake Township-Roscommon County allow short-term rentals (excluding current resorts) in the (Lakefront) R1 Residential District ballot question to be added to the November 4th, 2025, election. RC: Hassler nay, Grabowski aye, Trier nay, Hibbard nay, Surprenant aye. (2 ayes,3 nays) Motion Failed

Motion Surprenant seconded by Grabowski Cheryl Trier to be trained on the Cemetery software. Training should be paid at the township rate of \$14.00/hr. for no more than 20 hrs. of training. If it should exceed 20 hrs. Cheryl should come back to the board. AIF MC

Public Comment: was heard

Board Comment: was heard

Motion Hibbard seconded by Trier to adjourn meeting at 9:20 pm. All in favor. MC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea L. Grabowski,

Lake Township Clerk,

www.lake-township.com.

Approved w/corrections @ 08.12.2025 LTBM.