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Supervisor

Trustee, Trudy Seppanen
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Michigamme Township Board Meeting

Location: Community Building

June 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

OFFICIAL JUNE MINUTES

GUESTS: Debbie Kinnunen, Joan Carlisle, Paul ~~Olsen~~-Olson, Margaret Luke, William Seppanen, Brad DeLongchamp

- I. Call to Order by Supervisor Leake at 6:04 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance recited by all in attendance.
- III. Roll Call by Clerk Hanson. Present Supervisor Leake, Treasurer Eliason, Clerk Hanson, Trustee Seppanen, Trustee Gregg. Quorum met.
- IV. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Hanson. Second by Seppanen. Voice vote. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion passed.
- V. Approval of Minutes for May 11th, 2026: with corrections. Motion by Gregg to approve May 11th minute with corrections. Second by Eliason. Voice vote. 5 Ayes 0. Nays. Motion passed.
Approval of corrected April 13, 2026: minutes: Motion by Hanson to approve the corrected April 13th minutes. Second by Leake. Voice vote by Hanson. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion passed.
- VI. Treasurers Report: Treasurer Eliason reported revenue and expenditures for May 2026. Motion to approve the Treasurers report by Gregg. Second by Leake. Roll call by Hanson. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion passed.
- VII. Clerk's Report/Bills to be paid. Motion to approve the bills to be paid by Eliason. Second Seppanen. Roll call by Hanson. Seppanen Aye. Eliason Aye. Leake Aye. Gregg Aye. Hanson Aye. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion passed.
- VIII. Public Comment / Margaret Luke has concerns about the conditions of homes and yards on Mesnard Str. The public was here for the Memorial Day event and saw

run down conditions of some of the homes and yards in our community, and Margaret stated that we need to have this cleaned up and taken care of along with a home on Barnum St. that used to be her old home that needs to be tore down. We have such a nice entrance to our town, except for one house there, how do we want to represent our community especially with the 4th of July coming up. Please do something about this.

- IX. Board Comment: Leake showed the public the painting that was donated to the Township and thanked the Floyd Luke family for their donation. Leake also thanked the Memorial Committee for how nice the Memorial Service was and thanked everyone for their hard work while she was out of town. Leake also commented that the sewer permit ~~was on~~ was issued on June 3rd and the notice of classification- Wastewater Treatment Facility, Discharge permit No GW1810200 will become effective 60 days after June 3rd. Staab will be coming to look at the sewer problems and have more information next Monday. Library will now be getting new carpet throughout. Hannula Insurance is now Decker Insurance. The lots that are not being voted on tonight will be for sale in July. The new boiler was installed, and phase 1 is completed, it just needs a few adjustments ~~and an emergency shut off button~~ and two emergency shut off buttons were installed.
- X. Correspondence: none currently.
- XI. Committee Reports
1. Fire Board: Trustee Seppanen gave her report.
 2. Planning Commission: Trustee Gregg reported that they met last week and talked about how when Kay Frisk went to training, she had learned that the planning commission board members should have a separate email from their personal email account to send and receive important data. Gregg stated they are still working on the master plan and that Dotty ~~Lajoie~~ Lajoie will be coming this Thursday to give guidance on the master plan.
 3. DDA: Supervisor Leake is working with ~~the DOT~~ MDOT and the railroad regarding the placement of the moose lift sign (we are waiting on the sign people). The Artisan Market (on June 7th at the library) currently has 23-24 vendors. The flowers planters on Main Street are planted, the banners are up, and the canoe that was donated by Terry McBride has been wrapped and placed at the entrance of the Township.

4. DPW: Leake reported the DPW has been working many days edging the sidewalks. The Township Well testing was done on time this year, (a ~~lady~~ representative from ~~Eagle~~-Egle came and watched us set up the pump and test the well).
5. Friends of Michigamme: Bill stated that they are having a meeting about by-laws on Thursday at 7pm at the museum.
6. 4th of July: Kathi Hanson reported that they have had a lot of meetings and have everything done except ordering food for the 4th. They are still in need of volunteers for the 4th, also still looking for donations.

XII. Old Business

1. Land Bank – Supervisor Leake updated the board members about the purchase agreement and asked for their input. The following changes were made.
2. Changed the wording from “commenced” to “been completed”.

16. Changed the word “commenced” to “complete”.

Discussion was held concerning the total down payment, the cost of the warranty deed and the Keweenaw title settlement statement.

Antonio ~~Ada~~-Addan provided the board with additional information regarding the process. It was agreed that Antonio would make the changes and forward to Supervisor Leake who will forward to Roger ~~Zapa~~-Zappa for final review.

XIII. New Business:

1. Specs for bid for the concrete pile on Mill Street: One bid was received for a lump sum of \$23,300.00 and awarded to Laitala Excavating Inc.
2. One bid for the cook-shack was received and reviewed. After discussion, the Board decided to reevaluate the project.

XIV. Public Comment: Paul Olson, asked if one of the lots that the Township is selling is the one with water on it, and is that considered wetlands?

XV. Board Comment: Kathi Hanson thanked everyone for coming.

XVI. Adjournment: Motion by Trudy Seppanen to adjourn the meeting. Second by John Gregg. Voice vote 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Meeting adjourned by Leake at 8:25pm.