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**IRVING TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2025**

Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm.

Present: Lydy, Stout, Nagel, Buehler. Absent: Brummel

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Motion by Lydy, seconded by Buehler, to approve Agenda, as presented. **Motion Passed**

CLERK'S MINUTES (August 19, 2025)

- Motion by Lydy, seconded by Stout, to approve the August 19, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes, as presented. **Motion Passed**

REPORTS

- Freeport Fire Department – Lani Forbes gave report
- Thornapple Fire Department – Lydy gave report
- Hastings Fire Department – Lydy gave report
- All fire department reports are available at their respective departments.
- Cemetery – No report
- Commissioner Smelker – No report

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Vickie Betit – Presented information on Ranked Choice Voting and encouraged people NOT to sign the petition that is circulating to have an amendment added to the Michigan Constitution.
- Doug Truer – Robertson Rd resident – does not want Natural Beauty designation removed.
- Diane O – Engle Rd resident – can improve the road without removing the Beauty designation.

TREASURER REPORT

- Nagel presented the Treasurer's Report to the Board
- Motion by Lydy, seconded by Buehler, to accept the Treasurer's Report, as presented. Roll Call Vote: YES: Lydy, Stout, Nagel, Buehler; ABSENT: Brummel. **Motion Passed**

PAY BILLS

- Stout presented the Bill Pay Report.
- Motion by Lydy, seconded by Buehler, to pay bills in the amount of \$26,994.64. Roll Call Vote: YES: Lydy, Stout, Nagel, Buehler; ABSENT: Brummel. **Motion Passed**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**NEW BUSINESS**

- ADA Audit – Dave Foster, Bureau of Elections, toured Irving Township hall and grounds in order to provide a list of areas needing improvement in order to become ADA-compliant. The list of projects needed was presented to the Board. Motion by Lydy, seconded by Stout, to obtain three quotes from contractors to perform the work on the list that township staff cannot complete themselves. **Motion Passed**
- Irving Township was awarded a \$10,000 ADA Grant, to be used on projects to have the township hall become ADA-compliant. Motion by Lydy, seconded by Nagel, to allow the Clerk to sign the Grant Agreement between Irving Township and the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks. Roll Call Vote: YES: Lydy, Stout, Nagel, Buehler; ABSENT: Brummel. **Motion Passed**
- Barry County Road Commission Engle & Robertson Road Tree Trimming – Motion by Lydy, seconded by Buehler, to approve the request from the Road Commission to trim trees on Engle and Robertsons Road. **Motion Passed**
- Lydy will send a letter to the B.C. Road Commission, requesting that they schedule a public hearing on the topic of removing the Natural Beauty Road Designation from Engle Road (see previous month's meeting minutes).

PUBLIC INPUT – None**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – None****ADJOURNMENT**

- Motion by Lydy, seconded by Stout, to adjourn at 7:23pm. **Motion Passed**

UPCOMING DATES

- October 13, 2025 – Public Accuracy Test – 10:00am (for November 4, 2025 Election)
- October 21, 2025 – Election Commission Meeting – 6:45pm
- October 21, 2025 – Township Board Meeting – 7:00pm
- November 4, 2025 – Special Election (Polls Open 7:00am-8:00pm)

Submitted by Shelly Lake, Irving Township Deputy Clerk