

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
September 17, 2024 7:00 p.m.**

Call to Order/Pledge/Roll Call:

Supervisor Bill Kasprzak called the regular meeting of the Howard Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Howard Township Business Office. Pledge to the flag was given. Board members, Mike Gordon, Bill Kasprzak, Hank Johnson, Phil Hurlbutt, Mike Daly, Gary Conover and Sheri Wozniak were present.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Conover to approve the agenda, carried.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Hurlbutt, supported by Daly to approve the August 20, 2024, regular meeting minutes, carried.

Financial Report:

Treasurer Gordon read the September 2024 financial report into the record. A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Conover to accept the September 2024 monthly financial report as presented with a beginning balance of \$1,427,135.20 and an ending balance of \$ 1,355,034.11 carried.

Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Gordon to approve the monthly bills for payment, carried.

Departmental Reports

Commissioners Jeremiah Jones and Sam Barrera reported that the Cass County Historical Courthouse will have a re-opening on October 11th at 11am. A 3 million budget deficit is now down to 1.5 million. There is a meeting this Thursday in regard to the budget. The Fire Department answered 9 Fire calls and 18 medical calls in the last month. Due to no rain, there continues to be a burn ban. The Fire Dept is having a corn and sausage roast on Sept 22 from 3-7 pm. The Undersheriff spoke about the department's staffing challenges that are soon to be solved, 4 currently in school, 2 in FTO and 2 out on their own. The Department has been busy. The parks had trees trimmed and the lights replaced in parking lot. A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Johnson to approve the monthly reports, carried.

Information:

Bids are now being accepted for snow plowing for the 24-25 winter season.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Correspondence

Other Business from the Board

Public Comment: .

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:16 pm, carried.

Sheri Wozniak
Howard Township Clerk