

**Regular Board Meeting**  
**April 13, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.**

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by the Supervisor and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. **ROLL CALL**- Roberts, Hegbloom, Aspinwall, Tarnaski, Selin.
3. **PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES – MOTION** by Roberts, support by Selin, to approve the minutes of 3/30/26 as presented and place on file. Motion carried.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MOTION** by Selin, supported by Tarnaski, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Naves: None. Motion carried.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a. Charter Communications re: changes to channel lineup
- b. Nationwide re: changes to investments in assets and options for township DPW 457 retirement plan.
- c. GRWA re: 2025 Water Quality Report
- d. Bessemer Township Heritage Committee re: minutes
- e. Sue Roberts re: text/email on personal cellphone re; status of Ramsay Post Office from Representative Markanen’s office.  
**MOTION** by Selin, supported by Aspinwall, to accept communications as presented and place on file. 5 Ayes. Naves: None. Motion carried.

6. **REPORTS-BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND OFFICERS.**

- a. GRWA: No new business
- b. PAUD: No new business
- c. GRSWMA: No new business.
- d. BASA: No new business.
- e. Michigan’s Western Gateway Trail Authority: No new business
- f. Section 32 Sewer Authority: No new business.
- g. Gogebic County Land Bank: No new business.
- h. Ordinance Enforcement Officer LeRoy Johnson:  
 Mr. Johnson reported updated status on blight case he is working on located at the corner of Prospect and Bluebird Rd. Photos were provided for reference. Mr. Johnson gave a brief overview on status of other relevant current blight issues.

The Treasurer reported the following:

- i. Utility Shut-Offs: Utility clerk gave an update on delinquencies and AR in utility department. Listing of accounts receivable was provided to place on file. Ms. Hegbloom reported the computer in the utility department has not been updated and is not working properly. She will update the board of any associated costs that are needed. Treasurer gave an update on tax collection process with County Treasurer. Summary sheet of CD’s and checking accounts with 3/31/26 balances was provided to the board and public.

7. **APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/PAYROLL/MILEAGE:**

FUND	CHECK NUMERS	AMOUNT
General Fund	#18008-18021 & online	13915.97
Water Fund	#22694-22698 & online	85517.54
Anvil Sewer		
Ramsay Sewer	Online	999.93
West End Sewer		

**\*MOTION** by Selin, supported by Aspinwall, to approve payment of bills and payroll as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE AYES: Tarnaski, Selin, Roberts, Hegbloom, Aspinwall. Naves: none. Motion carried.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. Audit-Engagement Letter- No new update.
- B. Sewer & Water Line Project – No new update.
- C. Lead Line Replacement / ATMF1 Grant
- D. Summer Applicants-discussion was had regarding three applications received for seasonal work. One is a returning employee, two are new. Age requirement of eighteen was discussed (for liability insurance carrier requirements). **MOTION** by Tarnaski, supported by Selin to authorize the Supervisor and lead man to conduct interviews for the position(s). Clerk will compile a hiring packet for the township to include, but not

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limited to an offer of hire letter, job description, authorization for criminal background checks and valid driver's license checks, acknowledgement of township policies and safety protocols, and any other relevant hiring information pertaining to the position, which will be supplied to the Supervisor for use prior to the interviews. 5 Ayes. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Firefighter Application: Discussion was had regarding application recently received and reviewed by the BTVFD for Arnold Brian Anderson. The BTVFD interviewed Mr. Anderson on 4/7/26 and has completed a background check after the department voted to accept him as a member. Additional discussion was had. MOTION by Tarnaski, supported by Roberts, to accept the application as presented upon BTVFD's recommendation and welcome Mr. Anderson as the newest member of the department. 5 Ayes. Nays: None. Motion carried. BTVFD Chief Selin mentioned the department is currently reviewing policy and protocol for memberships. Mr. Selin also requested the department be allowed to utilize the other conference room to host the UP Chiefs' meeting. MOTION by Tarnaski, supported by Roberts to authorize use of the conference room to facilitate the UP-Fire Department Chiefs meeting. 5 Ayes. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Selin will follow up with DPW crew to ensure the room is prepared for the forthcoming meeting.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:** (3 minutes per person)

Ms. Thomas attended the meeting and distributed a "handout" entitled "Public participation and Budget Procedures to the board members present.

- 11. ADJOURNMENT:** With no further public comment or board business, Supervisor called for adjournment. MOTION by Roberts, supported by Selin, to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 PM. 5 Ayes. Nays: None. Motion carried.