

Regular Board Meeting
August 24, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by the Supervisor and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. **ROLL CALL- Selin (Absent)**, Roberts, Hegbloom, Aspinwall, Tarnaski.
3. **PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES – MOTION** by Roberts, support by Hegbloom, to approve the minutes of 8/24/26 as presented and place on file. 4 Ayes. Motion carried.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MOTION** by Roberts, supported by Hegbloom, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 4 Nays: None. Motion carried.
5. **COMMUNICATIONS:**
 - a. Brian Vukusich RE: interest in purchasing property in Anvil location at corner of Mr. View and Paradise St. for the possible construction of a future garage. Discussion/decision was tabled pending more information. There is infrastructure that runs through the parcel for consideration. More information is needed from DPW, etc. before any decision can be made.
 - b. DPW crew RE: consideration of equipment to assist with snow removal around the fire hydrants. Equipment attaches to the backhoe to aid in snow removal process. Discussion was had. MOTION by Tarnaski, supported by Aspinwall, to authorize purchase of the equipment not to exceed \$2500.00. ROLL CALL VOTE AYES: Tarnaski, Roberts, Hegbloom, Aspinwall. Nays: None. Motion carried.
MOTION by Aspinwall, supported by Tarnaski, to accept communications as presented and placed on file. 4 Ayes. Nays: None. Motion carried.
6. **REPORTS-BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND OFFICERS.**
 - a. GRWA: Discussion was had regarding progress of cleaning, sorting, and removing GRWA records in storage room, lack to progress, and possibility of billing for storage space. GRWA does not have another scheduled meeting for a month.
 - b. Powderhorn Area Utility District: Former Powdermill Inn making progress to move forward with hookup. Edelweiss dispute regarding materials with contractor continues. Both properties are in Ironwood Township.
 - c. Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority: New administrative assistant has been hired. Recent problems have been encountered with equipment causing delays. Possibilities of resolutions that were discussed were shared.
 - d. Bessemer Area Sewer Authority: No update.
 - e. Michigan's Western Gateway Trail Authority: No update
 - f. Section 32 Sewer Authority: Special meeting is scheduled for discussion of structures over pumpstations. Bessemer Township attorney has suggested rewrites of agreement on several issues. Rate study is anticipated to assist in structure of rates. Once rates have been determined, a public hearing will be set for what rates are projected and the composition of the rate structure. Emergency plan for callout procedures was discussed. BT Supervisor is set to meet with City of Bessemer manager and section 32 administrator for discussion prior to legal review.
 - g. Gogebic County Land Bank: No update.
 - h. Ordinance Enforcement Officer LeRoy Johnson: Mr. Johnson was present at the meeting and gave an updated report on his progress with blight issues. Discussion was had.
 - i. Joint Fire Department report. Clerk received an e mail from Mr. Selin and read aloud giving an update on progress of the Joint Fire Department initiative between Bessemer City and Bessemer Township departments.
 - j. Supervisor updates: No updates given during this portion of the meeting.
7. **TREASURER REPORT:** Ms. Hegbloom gave an overview of both the Utility and Tax Department(s) Quarterly collection continues for the Utility Dept. with aged AR to date of 20772.21. Updated report was given to the clerk to place on file. Tax collection process and procedure continue. Tax bills are due 9/14/26. In addition, Ms. Hegbloom presented a written summary sheet of CD and Checking account balances to date, which was shared with audience in attendance as well as the board members present. A copy was placed on file. Meeting was facilitated with auditor and clerk to discuss forthcoming audit. Ms. Hegbloom has provided all information, bank statements, and balances as requested.
8. **APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/PAYROLL/MILEAGE:**

FUND	CHECK NUMERs	AMOUNT
General Fund	#18227-18266 & online	39155.07
Water Fund	22732-22733	7793.58
Anvil Sewer		
Ramsay Sewer		
West End Sewer	1347-1348	10438.75

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Audit- Audit has started, no update.
- B. Sewer & Water Line Project – No update.
- C. Park Equipment: update on progress and discussion will be forthcoming as needed.
- D. Roads: No update.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Section 32 emergency call out discussion. Discussion was had regarding recent call out from our DPW crew for work in Wakefield Township sector. Our DPW crew has requested they not be included in the call out due to the township, PAUD, GRWA and other demands. The crew feel they cannot absorb this in addition to the other duties and responsibilities. It is noted they are a crew of three. Mr. Randall and representative Selin are aware of the issue and will be present at the meeting to discuss whether the township will not be responding to service outside our municipality.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT: (3 minutes per person) General discussion was had with public comment.

12. ADJOURNMENT: With no further public comment or board business, Supervisor called for adjournment.

MOTION by Roberts, supported by Hegbloom, to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 PM. 4 Ayes. Naves: None. Motion carried.