

**HAYES TOWNSHIP
MINUTES JUNE 19, 2025, SPECIAL MEETING**

Board Members Present: Mary Sanders, Supervisor; Richard Ross, Clerk; Jessie Geiger, Treasurer; Brad Kilbourn, Trustee, and Lisa Daly, Trustee.

Visitors Present: 3

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor Mary Sanders called the general meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 PM.

PINE CO DEBRIS SITE, ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE TO COST:

The Township Board reviewed a letter dated June 4, 202 from PineCo of Michigan requesting financial assistance for the cost of storm debris management in Otsego County. PineCo is requesting a total of \$434,720.00. If all nine townships contributed, the cost per township would be \$21,373.33. Mary Sanders reported that the response from the Townships is as follows:

Charlton	No
Dover	No
Otsego Lake	No
Livingston	\$25,000
Bagley	No
Corwith	Undecided
Chester	No
Elmira	Undecided

Mary Sanders suggested Hayes Township contribute \$25,000.00

The Board discussed the issue at length and would like more information. Some of the questions that need to be answered include:

1. County budget item for natural catastrophes
2. Legality of using taxpayer money
3. Emergency management funds available
4. Person in charge
5. Reimbursement availability
6. Amount needed to clear existing debris

A decision was tabled until after receiving answers and an agreement with Emergency Management. At that time, an additional special meeting will be held.

CLEAN UP DAY AFTER HOURS: Confusion regarding a misstated time for clean up day was resolved.

GENERATOR REPAIR COSTS: Richard Ross reported that it will cost \$1,200.00 to repair the hall generator. The Board agreed that he should go ahead with the repairs.

LAWN MOWING: Brad Kilbourn reported that the Boy Scouts don't have scouts old enough to help with the mowing. He suggested using a professional lawn care company. Mary Sanders will request bids.

Meeting adjourned: 7:49 PM

Richard Ross, Clerk