

**HAYES TOWNSHIP
MINUTES NOVEMBER 11, 2025, GENERAL MEETING**

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

Visitors Present: Six

CALL TO ORDER:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes were reviewed from the October 14, 2025, general meeting. Motion by Lisa Daly and seconded by Brad Kulbourn to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The financial report, showing income of \$308,061.13 (including \$53,685.00 Revenue Share, \$250,000.00 in mature CDs) and expenditures of \$26,286.47 (including \$8,474.00 annual insurance renewal) was reviewed. (Complete financial report is attached.) Motion by Richard Ross and seconded by Lisa Daly to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS TO BE PAID:

U.S. Treasury EFTPS	Federal withholding	3,272.73
Richard Ross	Election Reimbursement	263.35
Otsego County Road Commission	Road Projects	300,000.00
Cutting Edge Computers	Computer Repairs	125.00
Spade Property Maint. & Lawn	Lawn Mowing	750.00
Charter Communications	Town Hall Telephone/Internet	140.00
Choice Publications	Publish minutes	100.80
Mary Sanders	Reimbursement	227.00
Thomas Masar	November 4, 2025 Election	261.00
Rachel Leadford	November 4, 2025 Election	232.00
Christa Melnyczenko	November 4, 2025 Election	104.00
Aileen Champion	November 4, 2025 Election	128.00
Amy Kotsko	November 4, 2025 Election	176.00
Susan Anaya	November 4, 2025 Election	176.00
Payroll		11358.50
Total		\$317,314.38

Motion by Brad Kilbourn and seconded by Lisa Daly to pay the bills as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS & COMMENTS:

None

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

Rob Weaver reported on highlights of the Commissioners' meeting.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

Housing Grant Report: Motion by Lisa Daly and seconded by Richard Ross to proceed with public review of the Housing Readiness Grant at public hearing on January 20, 2026. Motion passed unanimously,

Generator Bids: Richard Ross reported that he is still collecting bids for purchase of a township hall generator.

NEW BUSINESS:

Wolverine Power Franchise: Motion by Brad Kilbourn and seconded by Richard Ross to renew Wolverine Power franchise to operate a public utility and use of public rights-of-way within Hayes Township for 30 years. Motion passed unanimously.

Snowplow Bid Approval: Motion by Jessie Geiger and seconded by Brad Kilbourn to accept Cherwinski bid for snowplowing for 2025-2026 season. Motion passed unanimously.

Fire Authority Meeting Report: Mary Sanders reported on highlights of the Fire Authority meeting and that the new truck should be in service before Christmas.

ADDITIONAL CONCERNS & COMMENTS: BOARD MEMBERS FINAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Richard Ross: Reported on the Intermediate School District millage election.

Audience members discussed the problems of not having affordable housing in Otsego County and the lack of industry in the area.

Meeting adjourned: 6:40 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 9, 2025, 6:00 PM.

Richard Ross, Clerk