HAYES TOWNSHIP
MINUTES AUGUST 11, 2026 GENERAL MEETING

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

Visitors Present: Nine

CALL TO ORDER:

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

A**PPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes were reviewed from July 14, 2026, general meeting. Motion by Lisa Daly and seconded by Brad Kilbourn to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:
The financial report, showing income of $16,944.74 (including $10,820.00 summer tax collection) and expenditures of $32,218.72 (including $9,975.00 to GFL for clean-up day), 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 MONTHLY BILLS TO BE PAID:

Horizon	Monthly scanner fee	5.00
U.S. Treasury EFTPS	Federal withholding	3,175.44
Purchase Power	Postage For Meter	507.25
Amy Kotsko	Early voting chairperson wages	200.00
Rachel Leadford	Early voting wages	180.00
Christa Melnyczenko	Early voting wages	72.00
Thomas Masar	Election Chairperson wages	290.00
Gabby VanLuchene	Election Inspector wages	315.00
Rachel Leadford	Election Inspector wages	369.00
Holly Lubs	Early voting wages	180.00
Michelle Devine-Childs	Early voting wages	108.00
Michelle Devine-Childs	Election Inspector wages	315.00
Amy Kotsko	AVCB Chairperson wages	184.00
Susan Anaya	AVCB Inspector wages	162.00
Aileen Champion	AVCB Inspector wages	162.00
Spade Property Management & Lawn	Lawn Mowing, Hall & Cemetery	800.00
Otsego County Treasurer	Charge Back	58.78
Trugreen Processing Center	Weed & Feed Lawns	235.92
A Cut Above Tree Service	Tree clearing south of parking lot	4,000.00
Richard Ross	Reimbursement	443.43
Payroll		11,713.94
Total		**$23,476.76**

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

AUDIENCE CONCERNS & COMMENTS:

Discussion regarding cost of trash bags and trash collection by GFL.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

Dana Wingo and Rob Weaver reported on highlights of the Commissioners' meeting.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

Election Report: Clerk, Richard Ross, reported that less than 30% of registered voters in the Township participated in the primary election. There were some problems with the ballot counter machine.

Grant Meeting Update: Supervisor, Mary Sanders, reported that the work is nearly completed. The next meeting will be the final review.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tax Levy: Motion by Richard Ross and seconded by Jessie Geiger to approve .45 mills for the Township 2026-2027 tax levy. Motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONAL CONCERNS & COMMENTS:

RWE: Reported on proposed construction dates for the Northland Ranch solar energy project.

Road Projects: Rob Weaver reported on the upcoming road projects schedule.

Intersection of VanTyle and South Townline: Audience member expressed concern about the number of accidents occurring at the intersection.

Meeting adjourned: 6:35 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 8, 2026, 6:00 PM.

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Richard Ross, Clerk