

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

August 25th, 2025 7pm

Supervisor Thelen, Clerk Ramona Smith, Treasurer Denise Roof,
Trustees Larry Kindel and Kyle Graham

The Pledge of Allegiance was asked to be recited by all so Supervisor Thelen could then proceed to call the monthly meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda : Supervisor had a couple of items he would like added to the Agenda. Items to be added to Old Business, Frontier, Broadband and fiber installation and in New Business the Lease Agreement for the usage of a locally owned grader. *Motion by Kindel to accept the amendments and to approve the presented Agenda. * Seconded by Graham * Motion passed

Reading and Approval of Prior Months Minutes : -Motion by Kindel to accept the minutes as presented and to dispense with their reading *Seconded by Graham *Motion passed

Treasurers Report and Approval of Bill Payments: Treasurer Roof reported on the Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Sheet, ACH and EFTPS. Discussion by the Board agreeing that these reports were in satisfactory order. Roof then proceeded with checks # 14795-14807, ACH and EFTPS asking for their approval of payment. *Motion was made by Smith to accept the Treasurer's report and to pay presented checks.* Seconded by Graham * Motion passed

Guest : Danelle Rose-CC Planning and Zoning: An introduction from Danelle was given, she is also a Greenbush Resident and that CC Planning and Zoning is trying to move forward with positive efforts to keep zoning for Townships in Clinton County. There are a few Board members in the County that feel Township owned Planning and Zoning would be a better outcome for their Townships. The firm OHM that was hired by Clinton County to give some guidance towards

Planning and Zoning will soon be out of contract and it is hoped that they have made some impact on this situation. Greenbush Township Board still likes the idea that all Township Supervisors should brainstorm together to have a resolution. A couple of concerns from residents were if we go with our own Zoning would we receive money back from the County; and would it be possible to receive the haul routes for mining operations in our Township? Supervisor Thelen was wondering if the Jim's Amish Variance was going forth and would neighboring land owners be notified? Yes, a fifteen day notice will be sent out before any action will be taken. The Board thanked Danelle for attending.

CC Sheriffs Report: Sheriff Wetzel attended and was pleased that four new Deputies will soon be done with training. There seems to be an act of road rage happening, just be aware and stay attentive to your travels. The Golf outing to support the CC SWAT TEAM had a good turnout and was appreciative of all donations. Of course watch out for those four legged friends!

CAASA Report: The new article and bylaw packet was presented to the Board to review and sign at the next monthly meeting. CAASA is considering outsourcing the transportation needs from Clinton County to Lansing due to cost and time leaving a local Ambulance out of town. The Ambulance program as a whole is running very smoothly at this time.

Assessor Report- Beth Botke: Always on top of our Townships new residential building, assessment, tax info and anything else our residents have questions on. Botke has presented the new revised L-4029 to be approved by the Board in New Business.

CC Commissioner Report- Nicole Ficke : Fiber optic internet installation is being installed throughout Clinton County. There has been controversy over how many feet the cables are able to be placed as they are starting to interfere with the planted crops. It's 30 ft. off the center of the road. The concerns have been brought forward to the

County but the Franchise is stating that is what the CCRC specifications are. These concerns are being looked into. Ficke reminded all that there are many important County meetings coming up (Clinton County Jail, Smith Hall) ; that need to be well attended and another way to keep informed.

Correspondence: The Ferden drain is being pursued and letters will go out to those residents who need to be notified of any activity. Fall recycling programs are in effect. There is info at the Township Hall and on the web.

Public Comment: Resident Owen is in the process of attaining signatures for Tom Leonard who is seeking to run for Michigan Governor. Please contact her if you would like to sign. Jody Smith reported that Clinton Transit had well over 5000 rides in the month of July, this is a testimony to their well needed service. They are also in the process of the limited number of school age children that can be transported.

OLD BUSINESS

* Road Report:When gravel is received from Fisher Trucking for the west side of the Township on various roads, chloride will then be applied. Scott Rd. between Marshall and Hyde Rd. has been completed. Stripping and painting of the road is to be completed as soon as the company is available. Clerk Smith commented that a letter should have been sent to the residents on this stretch of Scott Rd. Due to the fact that the Township did not know when this would take place, it was going to happen and the residents could have been prepared. Apologies to the residents were given. Supervisor Thelen also commented that patience also plays a factor with the undertaking of such a project. The completion of Hyde Rd. From DeWitt to Welling Rd. has taken place.

*Frontier / Broadband : The Township wanted to assure the Residents that they are aware of the work that is being done in our Township and that the 30 Ft. seems to

be a problem at this time. Safety is also a problem that was mentioned ,but it is to be believed that this situation has been resolved.

NEW BUSINESS

* Variance- Jims Amish Properties
Clerk Smith is to notify Planning/Zoning that the Board felt more info was needed for the variance and how it would affect neighboring properties

*L- 4029- *Motion by Graham to
approve the L-4029 tax rate for 2025. *Seconded by Kindel* Motion passed.

* Grader Lease Agreement-
Supervisor Thelen who has a LLC that owns a grader for the Townships use.He asked the Board to sign the lease for the amount of \$1.00 which also includes the insurance of the driver.* Motion to do so by Smith * Seconded by Graham*Roll call vote was taken Smith, Roof ,Kindel and Graham all ayes Thelen abstained.*Motion passed

Additional Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Motion by Kindel *Seconded by Graham *MP

Adjourned: 9pm

Next Meeting : September 22nd. 2025 7pm

Supervisor Lee Thelen

Clerk Ramona Smith
