

**MACKINAW TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
10595 WALLICK RD, MACKINAW CITY, MI
SEPTEMBER 16, 2025**

Supervisor Smydra called the meeting to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
All Board members present: Smydra, Closs, Brew, Darrow, Falor.
Also present: Jeff Ostman and Timothy MacArthur
Agenda approved as presented.
Motion by Brew, supported by Falor to approve the July 15, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Reports

1. Attorney Timothy MacArthur discussed the earned sick time policy in great depth. This pertains to the township assessor and election workers only. MacArthur will create a new contract specifically for the township assessor asking the assessor to be exempt from this policy due to being on salary.
2. Supervisor Smydra attended the recent MTA meeting and the topic of short-term rental was discussed once again. Cheboygan County has no policy for these rental properties. Smydra will attend the next meeting about this topic on September 19th.
3. Commissioner Jeff Ostman reported to the board that Cheboygan County is still trying to get money from FEMA for ice storm clean-up. There is approximately \$700, 000 worth of brush that needs to be cleaned up by January 1st, 2026. The new generator was installed in the county building. Mackinaw City Senior Center recently received a grant and the county was very impressed with their service to the community and how they are operating.

New Business

1. Motion by Smydra, supported by Closs to approve the following budget amendments:

MOVE:

Minus	\$850	101-900-980.00 Capital Control: Contingencies
Plus	\$200	101-101-910.00 Insurance & Bonds
Plus	\$650	265-777 Annual Clean Up Day

Minus	\$800	101-900-980.00 Capital Control: Contingencies
Minus	\$500	101-958 Association Dues
Minus	\$500	101-960 Conferences & Workshops – Board
Minus	\$400	247-960 Conference BOR
Plus	\$2200	101-243 Library

Roll call: Ayes: Closs, Brew, Smydra, Darrow, Falor. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report/ Bills/ Financial Report

1. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.
2. Motion by Brew, supported by Darrow to approve the bills for August and September.
Roll call vote: Ayes: Falor, Smydra, Darrow, Brew, Closs. Nays: None. Motion carried.
3. The Standard Budget Financial Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Non-Agenda Items

1. Brew brought up the topic of using AI for creating township meeting minutes. The village of Mackinaw City has started using AI for meeting minute and notes and it has been working great!

Meeting was adjourned by call of the chair at 7:35 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Darrow, Clerk