

**Douglass Township
3521 W. McBrides Rd
Stanton, MI 48888
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**Minutes Regular Board Meeting
July 15, 2026
7:30 pm**

Call to Order 7:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance recited

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Rasmussen, Holly Huff, Ken Bunting, Eric Tester, Kristi Cordray

Approval Agenda Items

Motion made by Ken Bunting to approve agenda, seconded by Eric Tester. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
Agenda approved.

Retirement recognition for Don Larsen

- Words of thanks
- Certificate presented
- Members of the audience shared thanks and memories

Approval Minutes from June 17 Regular meeting

Motion made by Eric Tester to approve minutes, seconded by Kristi Cordray. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Five residents of the township shared health and safety concerns at a township residence. They report that the garbage dumping is getting worse, cars are tearing their road up. Trailers full of trash are still there. There is no water or sewer at the property but people are defecating. People are sleeping in vehicles in the driveway in undergarments. Township zoning administrator said this has been turned over to the sheriff.

Reports

Treasurer Cordray report

- Scanners are working well, they have saved hours of work already. Investment report and bank account reports presented.
- Motion made by Eric Tester to accept treasurer report, seconded by Holly Huff. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Clerk Huff report

- Checks and bills report presented.
- Received check (refund) for \$3595.00 from previous insurance company (Accrisure). They made it out to Holly personally. Accrisure recommended signing check over to township and deposit. The township board would prefer that the check be reissued in the name of Douglass Township.
- Eric Tester made the motion to send the check back and have Accrisure reissue in Douglass Township's name, seconded by Kristi Cordray. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0.
- MTA association dues are due. We budgeted for it, and need authorization to pay. Ken Bunting made the motion to pay MTA dues. Eric Tester seconded. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

- Motion made by Kristi Cordray to accept clerk report, seconded by Ken Bunting .
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Supervisor Rasmussen report

- Request from descendants of Stephen Aldrich, who donated the land for the cemetery and who is the first person buried there, to have an old style metal civil war stake placed by his grave. The family is also related to many other early residents, and has paid for some of the tombstones that were down to be restored. The metal stake is \$18.00.
- Ken Bunting made motion to purchase the stake, seconded by Eric Tester. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- We received a Perfect score on the audit from the state tax commission.
- Kathy would like to set up open accounts with Mid Michigan for lawn care equipment and supplies with tax exempt number and monthly billing, and also Tri Lakes gas station. They are both in the township and will set up tax exempt accounts.
- Kristi Cordray made the motion for opening net 30 accounts with the two businesses mention
- Concerns regarding cemetery and hall grounds were discussed.
- Holly Huff made the motion to proceed in a different direction with township and cemetery groundskeeping. Eric Tester seconded Ayes: 5 Nays: 1

Trustee Ken Bunting report, Fire board report

- Merger discussion with Sheridan Fire is ongoing. There is a potential meeting in September.

Trustee Eric Tester report, PC report

- No report as the next meeting is July 29.

Zoning Administrator Kelsey report

- Reported on permits, splits, complaints

Old Business

- Propane pre buy options have been coming in. Long's is the lowest.
- Eric Tester made the motion to stay with Long's. Seconded by Holly Huff. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

New Business

none

Announcements Primary election at the Hall on Tuesday, August 4th.

Next meeting date August 19, 7:00 pm

Public Comment none

Board Comments none

Adjournment

Motion made by Eric Tester to adjourn, seconded by Kristi Cordray. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Huff
Kathy Rasmussen

