Yates Township Board

**Regular Meeting**
**Tuesday June 17, 2025**
Yates Township Community Building
In person and Zoom
6437 S. Nelson Road
Idlewild, MI 49642

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: Supervisor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:04pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call

Kurt Johnson, Supervisor – Present
Barbara McGregory, Clerk – Present
Jacqueline Patterson, Treasurer --Present
Erica Tate, Trustee – Present at 5:10pm
Shawn Coffey, Trustee – Present

No Public comments were made on the agenda.

**Approval of the Agenda**
Supervisor Johnson moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Clerk McGregory.
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – ABSENT; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

**Lake County Officials**
Sheriff Martin talked about ORV issues: there have been 6 accidents already and 2 fatalities.

Clerk McGregory moved to approve prior meeting minutes from May 15, seconded by Supervisor Johnson.
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**
Clerk McGregory moved to approve last month and the present monthly bills, seconded by Treasurer Patterson.
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

**Clerk Updates**
Clerk McGregory mentioned the funeral of a local resident on Saturday June 21th, Blood Drive at Henrietta Summers Center and how the ladies have to do better in keeping the Williams Island bathroom cleaner.

Treasurer Patterson moved to approve last months and present month's financials, seconded by Supervisor Johnson.

**Reports from Departmental Heads:**

**Assessor:** Clerk McGregory read the Assessor's report.

**Fire Department:** Chief Meehan stated that they had 14 runs and to not burn due to how dry it is. He also let the Township know that Jeremy Anderson is no longer the assistant fire chief and Dixie Herrington Miller has been promoted to assistant fire chief.

**Henrietta Summers Center:** Clerk McGregory read the report for the Henrietta Summers Center report.

**Maintenance:** Trustee Coffey let us know that the water was on in the bathroom at the beach and a pipe was repaired. The Beach signs are in and will be installed soon.

**Planning Commission:** No report

**Zoning administration & Ordinance Enforcement:** Clerk McGregory read the report.

**Parks and Rec:** Trustee Tate said she had nothing to report due to no meeting but wanted to know if it rains during the Juneteenth parade could the Township Gym be used.

**New Business:**
Supervisor Johnson scheduled a special meeting of the short-term rental regulatory ordinance, election of Zoning Board of Appeals officers and review and approval of purchase of 2025 Tax foreclosure Properties for June 26, 2025 at 5pm.

Supervisor Johnson moved to approve reallocation of Special Assessments for 2025 thru 2027, seconded by Treasurer Patterson
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

Clerk McGregory moved to hire Eric Cody as the new zoning administrator and Carmen Grier as the new ordinance enforcer, seconded by Treasurer Patterson.
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

Treasurer Patterson moved to approve Fire Station Software package, seconded by Trustee Coffey.
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

Supervisor Johnson moved to approve renewal of MTA membership at Premium Pass Level, seconded by Treasurer Patterson.
**Roll Call Vote**

**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

Clerk McGregory moved to approve July 19 rental of the Township grounds by West Michigan Music Group, seconded by Supervisor Johnson
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

Clerk McGregory moved to approve the revised cost her going to the training for earned sick leave and cemetery training in Mt Pleasant for an additional $100.70, June 24, 2025, seconded by Trustee Coffey.
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

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**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

**Steve Buckner of Spenser gave a presentation on the new fire truck. The board went outside to look at the new truck. Treasurer Patterson move to approve the new truck and letter of intent to purchase based on finance approval. Seconded by Trustee Coffey.**
**Roll Call Vote**
**K. Johnson – YES; B McGregory – YES; J Patterson – YES; E Tate – YES; S. Coffey – YES**
**Motion Carried**

**Guest Speakers:** No guests speakers

Public comments were made.

No board comments were made.

Supervisor Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:53pm seconded by Treasurer Patterson

Respectfully Submitted

Barbara McGregory

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