

Yates Township Board

**Special Meeting Minutes, Thursday, May 28, 2026
Yates Township Office Building
In person and Zoom
6437 S Nelson Rd., Idlewild, MI 49642**

Call to Order: Supervisor Grier called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

☐ P ☐ Supervisor Grier
☐ A ☐ Clerk McGregor (excused)
☐ P ☐ Treasurer Patterson
☐ P ☐ Trustee Coffey
☐ P ☐ Trustee Tate

Public comments limited to 3 minutes

Motion by Supervisor Grier to enter Closed Session pursuant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(1)(h), to consult with Township legal counsel regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with pending litigation, specifically the matter of Holmes v. Yates Township, as discussion in open session would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigation or settlement position of the Township.

Seconded by Treasurer Patterson

Roll Call Vote: 4 Yea, 0 Nay, Motion Carried

(Board enters closed session)

Motion by Supervisor Grier to Return to Open Session, Seconded by Trustee Tate

Motion was made by Supervisor Grier to accept the request for dismissal in the pending litigation of Holmes v. Yates Township.

Action Item(s) Resulting from Closed Session:

Discussed was the cost of these actions to the Township that included legal fees to date of \$12,307.00. Additionally, information was provided that Tillman Infrastructure also requested a dismissal in this matter.

Roll Call Vote: Supervisor Grier - Yea, Treasurer Patterson – Yea, Trustee Coffey – Y Trustee, Tate – Yea, Clerk McGregor – Excused Absence

Motion Carried

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Public Comments (limited to 3 Minutes Per Person)

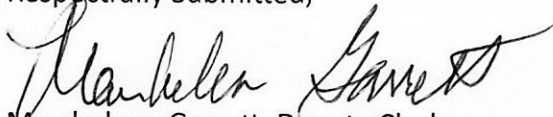
Dr. Zenobia Dallas, appointed at the May 21, 2026 Yates Township Board meet, declined the position on the Parks & Recreation Commission. A copy of her statement was presented.
Other Citizen comments were heard by the Board.

Board Comments:

Motion to Adjourn by Treasurer Patterson Seconded by Trustee Tate

Adjourned at 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marshelean Garrett".

Marshelean Garrett, Deputy Clerk

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