

Call to Order	Supervisor Boyd called meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
Pledge of Allegiance	
Roll Call	Members Present: Boyd - Supervisor; Perrin - Clerk; Hettich – Treasurer; Wetherell – Trustee; Kuyers – Trustee
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve agenda as presented – Kuyers/Boyd – all yes
Assessor's Report	Board of Review will be held December 9, 2025, 5PM (for Errors & Omissions only). 1 split (Elmore's on 32 Rd). Working on building permits. Will not be at next Twp meeting (BOR's for other Twps). We will be seeing an increase in assessment values.
Citizens Comments	<p><u>Sheryl Blanchard</u>: Gave board members a letter regarding short term rentals (STR). She discussed her concerns of increasing the occupancy limit to increase extra beds. She stated the ordinance is intended to allow property owners to rent real property to make use of residential property for the STR to persons or groups who will occupy the premises on a basis which is as similar as possible to the way in which owner-occupied residences are typically occupied and used. She believes the ordinance should not be changed, as she feels the ordinance, as it is now, is fair to the STR owners, while respecting the single family zoning of the properties in the neighborhood. 2 people/bedroom is a fair assessment for size of family homes; preserve a family neighborhood; control size of groups; respect single family zoning along the lakeshore.</p> <p><u>Carolyn Richards</u>: Concerned about how enforcement (checking bedrooms) will be done. Consider it could be residents themselves and not just STR's doing the same thing. Some residential have way over the occupancy of the house. One rule does not go for everyone. One size does not fit all. She also has some concerns regarding zoning. Boyd stated we are not discussing zoning, that is done with zoning. Boyd: We haven't decided about increasing occupancy; we are still working on this. Sheryl Blanchard stated the current STR ordinance is good; increasing the occupancy per bedroom is her concern.</p>
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve Minutes of October 14, 2025, as presented – Perrin/Kuyers – all yes
Payment of Bills	Check #20541-20579, AP=\$8,333.80, Payroll=\$22,943.75, Auto Pay (Fire Truck/Hall Pymts)=\$3,602.95, Total=\$34,880.50. Motion to approve payment of bills as presented – Boyd/Kuyers – B,K,H,W,P – all yes
Treasurer's Report	Treasurer's report was received. Accounts are balanced. Gave board members copy of MTA letter regarding mileage between Twp & bank/Post Office, etc. Gave board members copy of form for money for deposit. This should be used for money coming into Twp that is not for property taxes. Gave board members a copy of paperwork she got from meeting with the County stating it is unlawful for Twp to give donations to Veterans or non-profit organizations. Boyd asked if the Veterans do a service for us (i.e., help clean up cemetery), if we could pay them for their work. Boyd to check with MTA on this. Hettich stated winter tax collection hours will be December 5, 12, 19, 31 (9-5), January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (9-3), February 6, 13, 17, 27 (9-5), March 2 (9-5). Mortgage company requests are in for 2025 winter season. Our computers are not compatible with Windows 11. Perrin to call on this regarding needed updates. Thank you to fire chief for getting the newsletter & Santa letter to the printers & County. Delinquent taxes: \$122,006.54; 178 delinquent parcels. Past due for sewer=\$54,037.53. Horizon Bank sent letter thanking us for our continued business & gave a special CDARS rate. Got 1 check returned to sender (\$4.16); will donate it to fire dept. Perrin & Wetherell to look into plaque honoring Ted Warner.
Maintenance	Ready for snow. Bought a pallet of salt for driveways. Getting quotes for light at new sign. Boyd to check with attorney to see if it would be necessary to post anything regarding drinking water at the hall.
Fire Dept Report	
Fire Runs to Date	8 runs to date: PIA at M-115 & 13 th St; assisted Harrietta FD with structure fire; down powerline at W Lake Mitchell & Fern Ave; down powerline W Lake Mitchell & Paul Bunyan; down powerline at 2529 E 30 Rd; car fire at 28 & 31 Rds; fire alarm at 3604 13 th St-false alarm; assisted CGFD 4804 White Pine Lane
Trucks Station	Good working order. Good working order. Chief got an offer to purchase a power washer for \$300; would be good for cleaning trucks & hoses. Santa visit 12/6/25 from 1PM-3PM, will be collecting canned/non-perishable food to donate to St. Ann's Church. Prepared newsletter: Cemetery improvements;

	Hall enhancements; Big Cove Paving; seeking volunteer firefighters. Fire Chief can paint parking lines at Big Cove in the Spring.
Cemetery/Parks/Liquor	Water is off at cemetery. Closing gates when we get snow. 1 cremation burial. Parks are ready for snow.
Short Term Rentals	Fire inspections are done for 2025.
Sewer Report	Kuyers reported the following. Update of grant requests: \$2.41 million approved by State; waiting to find out timing and process to access these funds. Request to Federal Gov't has been approved by the appropriations committee for \$1.5 million. Hopefully it will survive the total budget process this time. Update on construction contracts: Grinder pump contracts – working on punch list items. Major lift stations are operational, including standby generators. Good news is this now pretty much eliminates the possibility of an environmental issue due to major overflows. Sump pump inspections are almost complete. Remaining 2 are scheduled for tomorrow. Unfortunately, we were forced to waste sewer users' fees to get a few warrants issued to complete inspections. Delinquent accounts continue to be a concern; number remains about the same. Work has begun to pull together information with the help of a new engineering firm for the next phase of construction. A preliminary target is to start construction before the end of next year. Nothing new on force main issue.
Zoning Report	No quorum, so no meeting again last month.
Road Advisory Report	Nothing to report.
New Business	None
Unfinished Business	<u>1. Revisit STR:</u> Perrin is checking into a few things. <u>2. Veterans Wreaths:</u> Already discussed.
Citizens Comments	<u>Jack Prebay:</u> Discussed the large rocks in Lake Mitchell causing problems with boaters hitting them. Lake level is low; rocks move somewhat with ice. He was wondering if the Twp had any funds to have big rocks removed. Kuyers stated it would be a major undertaking; Improvement Board looked into marking them in the past, but it would be a problem if all rocks were not found and marked; rocks are continuously moving, being pushed by ice. Jack asked if Selma Twp gives \$ to Wexford Civic Arena. Hettich stated No.
Correspondence	Michigan Fair Elections Institute sent Clerk Perrin a letter and an award (Sunlight Award as a Vigilant Steward). This is a prestigious award for outstanding dedication and exemplary service in maintaining clean and accurate voter rolls. We were 1 of only 197 jurisdictions to show no duplicate voter registrations. Boyd read the letter aloud. Perrin and Janet Smythe were congratulated by those present.
Board Comments	Kuyers stated his concern the STR is not being enforced. We need to adhere to STR ordinance and enforce it. Renters should supply Twp with their advertisements for their STR's. Perrin stated, when we started this ordinance, we knew we would need to continue working on it to make necessary changes. Wetherell discussed a statement in Sheryl Blanchard's letter where Sheryl stated that because board members don't live on the lake, its not a great importance to them. Wetherell stated that is completely not the truth; we want everyone to be happy, that's why we put this into place when we did. We did the best we could at the time; as times change, we are going to have to make changes to the ordinance to keep up with changes. Hettich: Happy Veterans Day; to any Veterans at the meeting, thank you for your service.
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn – Boyd/Kuyers – all yes. Adjourned 8:15 pm.