

Newfield Township Board

3890 198<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Hesperia, Michigan 49421

October 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by our supervisor Joan David. The roll was called and the following board members were in attendance: Mary Hopkins, Micah Johnson, Wayne Ferris, Joan David and Nancy Conley.

Nancy Conley made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of a Budget Amendment as #3 under New Business. Mary Hopkins seconded it. The motion carried.

Wayne Ferris made a motion to approve the September 16 meeting minutes. Mary Hopkins seconded it. The motion carried.

Mary Hopkins made a motion to approve the bills Checks # 15897- 15925 including 5 EFTs for a total of \$84,452.61. Joan David seconded it. The motion carried.

Mary Hopkins gave her treasurers report as follow: \$67,794.00 deposited with \$128,390.06 paid out in bills for a total cash available of \$207,479.18.

Correspondence:

Joan had received word from the State MTA office that over this past weekend our newly elected in April President, Harold Koviak, passed away. She expressed the boards sympathy to his family at this time.

Nancy went over a hand out from the Election Comm. Meeting that listed the action taken at the meeting that took place on Oct.14,2025 for the November 4, 2025 Election.

Bryan Mey , Hesperia School Superintendent gave a short overview of the Election that will be taking place on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. The only item on the election is a Bond Issue for the school. He closed with a question and answer period with the audience.

There were no comments on agenda items.

No Old Business

New Business

Nancy Conley made a motion to Remove the language concerning a 2 yard Dumpster from OxBow park from the contract language. We have had so much mis use of the Dumpster this summer that we feel the Dumpster (which has been removed) not be returned in the spring. There fore calling for the Dumpster Language to be deleted. Micah Johnson seconded it. The motion carried.

Joan David made a motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation to approve the Processing permit requested for RQMI Cannabis grow that would run thru December 31, 2025. They did

not renew the permit last year thus had to request a public hearing and action by the board. Mary Hopkins seconded it. A following roll call was called: Mary Hopkins-yes, Micah Johnson-no, Wayne Ferris-yes, Nancy Conley -yes, Joan David-yes. The motion carried 4-1.

Nancy made a motion to Amendment the Budget to move \$1,000 from Unallocated to Parks and Recreation. Joan David seconded it. The motion carried.

MTA- The next Oceana County MTA meeting will be held on December 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. It will take place in Crystal Township. Joan will be going to Lansing for her State MTA Board Meeting later next month.

Planning Commission- The Planning Commission along with McKenna will be wrapping up the Ordinances. They hope to get a clean copy to the Planning board within the next month.

McKenna quoted us a price on a copy for the Master Plan at \$54.00 per copy. We discussed some options and Steve is going to check into a couple of area printing places. Mike Farber suggested if we bring our own paper we can check with the village. We have a copy on a thumb drive so this could be a viable option.

Marijuana Enforcer- Rick is getting ready to start his monthly checks again in November. All of the grows are in the process of harvesting their product.

Cemetery – Dennis has been very busy and because of the weather he is behind in clearing leaves, etc...

Zoning – Steve handed out his monthly report. We have a court date for next Tuesday in Hart at 11:00 a.m. on the Wilson case on Riverview. We are filing paperwork to proceed with the Dow case. Steve also handed out a chart showing all but 2 townships in the county and what they charge for Zoning permits, Plan Reviews, Demotion Permits, Lot Splits, Special Use Permits, Variances and Zoning Amendments. This will give us something to look at and compare to when the Board decides to look at increases in our fees.

Public Comments – There were several.

Board Discussion-Wayne wondered where we were in hearing from the other entities on their donations toward the Recycle Center , after the annual fall letter went out. I told him as of our meeting I had heard nothing from any of them. We have always received a monetary amount from the Village and Denver township.

Mary Hopkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wayne Ferris seconded it. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Nancy L. Conley

Newfield Township Clerk