

Regular Meeting Rose Township Board of Trustees
MINUTES
January 14, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

Location: Township Office, 9080 Mason Street, Holly MI 48442

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Stilwell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Stilwell, Miller, Jobes, Maher

ABSENT: Bourdeau

Motion by Treasurer Jobes to excuse Trustee Bourdeau. Supported by Clerk Miller. A voice vote was taken. All present vote yes. The motion was carried 4/0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Treasurer Jobes to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Clerk Miller. A voice vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion was carried 4/0.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Maher to approve the consent agenda as presented. Supported by Clerk Miller. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion was carried 4/0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PRESENTATIONS – Andy Ziegler, Board of Review member

The board met on 12/9/2025 and reviewed eight petitions and the 2026 inflation rate multiplier of 1.027 (2.7%) as issued by the State Tax Commission and reviewed how taxable values are calculated. Assessment appeal dates and procedures will be included in Notices of Assessment and posted on the township website. Information regarding tax exemptions and hardship applications is available both online (rosetownship.com) and at the township office.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Safety Concerns Related to Truck Traffic

The Board held an extensive discussion regarding potential impacts from increased truck traffic associated with a proposed Springfield Township gravel mine. Topics included safety concerns, road conditions, jurisdictional limitations, enforcement authority.

The Township Attorney provided legal context regarding enforcement authority, truck routes, and relevant provisions of the Michigan Vehicle Code. Board members agreed to continue gathering information and exploring legally permissible options to address safety concerns.

Comments were also heard from members of the audience.

No action was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following comments were received from residents:

- the lights on the stop signs at Milford and Davisburg roads, which are powered by solar, were very weak between 4am – 7am
- background on cell tower lease was outlined
- efforts in Lansing to remove local control over gravel pits

REPORTS

- **Clerk:**
 - Election preparation underway for upcoming 2026 elections.
- **Cemetery:**
 - Two hazardous trees removed with assistance from the Oakland County Road Commission
 - No committee meeting scheduled at this item
- **N.O.C.F.A.:**
 - Negotiations between the Authority and the Firefighters Union did not result in an agreement by the contract deadline of Dec. 31, 2025. The Authority presented the union with an economic Letter of Understanding (LOU) which the Union rejected and which included: 3% wage increase, \$1,000 food allowance, and \$300 gym membership
 - There are two sections of the bylaws under review
 - The terms of the half-year budget (July 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025) remain in effect until new terms can be negotiated
- **Planning Commission:** No meeting; no report
- **HAYA**
 - ARPA funds will provide summer reading program
- **Trustee Bourdeau** (presented by Trustee Maher on behalf of Trustee Bourdeau)
 - Eagle Scout Hornbeck has been approved for donations for his bird house project at Rose Township parks. Donations can be made at Kerton Lumber but are not tax exempt.
 - Library – no update
- **Trustee Maher**
 - Attended training in Frankenmuth
 - Heritage Committee is holding a meeting and walking tour in March 1 at the Old Township Hall at 1:15
- **Treasurer:**
 - Approximately 50% of taxes collected to date
 - Treasurer's report included in consent agenda
- **Zoning Board of Appeal** – no meeting; no report
- **Parks and Recreation** – no report
- **Supervisor:** December building activity included 14 permits, 11 inspections, and 8 code enforcement complaints. Supervisor reported on recent training attended by Board members
- **Attorney** – no report

ADJOURNMENT: Supervisor Stilwell adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm

Respectfully submitted: Diane Hill, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary