Regular Meeting Rose Township Board of Trustees
MINUTES
July 8, 2026

Location: 9080 Mason Street, Holly, MI 48442

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Stilwell called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT – Stilwell, Bourdeau, Maher
ABSENT – Jobes, Miller

Motion by Supervisor Stilwell to excuse Clerk Miller and Treasurer Jobes. Supported by Trustee Maher. A voice vote was taken. The motion was carried 3/0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Bourdeau to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Trustee Maher. A voice vote was taken. The motion was carried 3/0.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Maher to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Supported by Trustee Bourdeau. A roll call vote was taken. Bourdeau – yes; Maher – yes; Stilwell – yes. The motion was carried 3/0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

PRESENTATIONS – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Opposition to Proposed Levy Mine Development in Springfield Township, Proposed Resolution 2026-21

   Public comment: none

   RESOLUTION NO. 2026-21
   RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED LEVY MINE DEVELOPMENT IN SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

   At a regular meeting of the Rose Township Board of Trustees, Oakland County, Michigan, held on **July 8, 2026**, at the Rose Township Hall, the following resolution was offered:

   WHEREAS,

The Rose Township Board of Trustees has received numerous comments, concerns, and correspondence from residents regarding the proposed Levy/Burroughs Materials gravel mining operation proposed in Springfield Township near the Rose Township border; and

WHEREAS,
The proposed mining operation has the potential to impact neighboring Rose Township residents through increased truck traffic, roadway deterioration, noise, dust, environmental concerns, groundwater impacts, and diminished quality of life; and

WHEREAS,
Many Rose Township residents have expressed concerns regarding the potential effects on private wells, air quality, property values, traffic safety, school bus routes, emergency response access, and the long-term rural character of the community; and

WHEREAS,
The Rose Township Board recognizes the importance of protecting private property rights while ensuring that neighboring communities are not subjected to unreasonable adverse impacts resulting from large-scale industrial activities; and

WHEREAS,
The Rose Township Board believes that any review of the proposed mining operation should include a comprehensive evaluation of environmental, transportation, economic, and public safety impacts affecting both Springfield Township and neighboring jurisdictions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Rose Township Board of Trustees formally expresses its opposition to the proposed Levy/Burroughs Materials mining operation as currently proposed.
2. The Rose Township Board requests that Springfield Township carefully consider the impacts upon neighboring communities, including Rose Township residents, before making any determination regarding the Special Land Use Permit application.
3. The Rose Township Board encourages Springfield Township to require comprehensive studies and analyses related to:
    - Groundwater and well impacts;
    - Air quality and dust mitigation;
    - Traffic volume and roadway safety;
    - Road maintenance and infrastructure costs;
    - Property value impacts;
    - Noise and vibration impacts;
    - Environmental and ecological consequences.
4. The Rose Township Board directs the Supervisor to transmit a copy of this Resolution and accompanying letter to Springfield Township officials, Oakland County officials, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, the Oakland County Road Commission, state regulatory agencies, and other interested parties as appropriate.
5. The Rose Township Board reaffirms its commitment to protecting the health, safety, welfare, and property interests of Rose Township residents.

Motion by Trustee Maher to adopt a resolution formally expressing the Board's opposition to the proposed Levy/Burroughs Materials Mine development in

Springfield Township and authorizing the submission of the accompanying Board letter outlining the concerns of Rose Township residents regarding potential impacts to groundwater, air quality, traffic, road infrastructure, property values, public safety, and the rural character of the community. I further move that the Township Supervisor be authorized to transmit the adopted resolution and signed Board letter to Springfield Township officials, applicable county and state agencies, elected representatives, and other interested parties as deemed appropriate, Proposed Resolution 2026-21. Supported by Trustee Bourdeau. A roll call vote was taken. Maher – yes; Stilwell – yes; Bourdeau – yes. The motion was carried 3/0.

2. Transfer of Funds for Senior Citizen Lawn Maintenance Assistance

   Public comment: question regarding funding source and process

   Motion by Trustee Maher to approve moving $2,500 from the General Fund Clean-Up Line Item (101-463-925-000) to the Senior Citizens Line Item (101-660-845-000). Supported by Trustee Bourdeau. A roll vote was taken. Stilwell – yes; Bourdeau – yes; Maher – yes. The motion was carried 3/0.

3. Dissolution of Rose Township Section 115 Retiree Health Care Trust, Proposed Resolution 2026-22

   Public comment: questions regarding the balance of the trust and disposition of the funds

   RESOLUTION 2026-22
   Rose Township, Oakland County, Michigan
   Section 115 Retiree Health Care Fund Trust Termination

   WHEREAS, the Board of Rose Township Oakland County, Michigan ("Board"), a Michigan public corporation, desires to terminate the Rose Township Retiree Health Insurance Section 115 Trust ("Trust") that was originally established, provided for under the Public Employee Health Care Fund Investment Act, 1999 PA 149, MCL 38.1211 to 38.1216, for the accumulation and investment of funds for the purpose of funding health care benefits to the retirees and the beneficiaries of retirees of the Board; and

   WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Township no longer has any retirees, beneficiaries, or employees eligible for retiree health care benefits under the Trust, including any grandfathered employees, and the Township no longer maintains a retiree health benefit program requiring prefunding through the Trust, as compensation is provided in lieu of such benefits where applicable; and

   WHEREAS, the named trustee, the Township Treasurer, is authorized to direct remaining Trust assets to revert to the employer.

   NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to section 5.2 of the Rose Township Retiree Health Insurance Section 115 Trust dated December 29, 2008 by and between Rose Township, the employer, and the Township Supervisor, the trustee, the Board hereby terminates the trust effective July 8, 2026. With the satisfaction of all liabilities, the trustee directs all remaining assets to revert to the employer.

Motion by Trustee Maher to adopt the Resolution terminating the Rose Township Section 115 Retiree Health Care Trust, based on the Board's determination that the Township has no remaining retirees or beneficiaries eligible for benefits under the trust, no employees who remain eligible under any grandfathered retiree health program, and no remaining retiree health care liabilities to be funded through the trust. The Township now provides compensation in lieu of retiree health benefits where applicable, eliminating the need for the trust. The resolution further authorizes the Trustee to close the trust and return any remaining assets to the Township in accordance with the Trust Agreement, Proposed Resolution 2026-22. Supported by Trustee Bourdeau. A roll call vote was taken. Stilwell – yes; Bourdeau – yes; Maher – yes. The motion was carried 3/0.

4. Consideration of Youth Services Sponsorship Agreement with Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA), Proposed Resolution 2026-23

   Public comment: comments on HAYA's history, transparency, and public awareness

   Resolution No. 2026-23
   Resolution Approving the Youth Services Sponsorship Agreement with Holly Area Youth Assistance

   WHEREAS, Rose Township recognizes the importance of providing services and opportunities that support the health, safety, education, and well-being of youth residing within the Township; and

   WHEREAS, Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA) provides youth intervention, prevention, counseling, educational, mentoring, scholarship, recreation, and family assistance programs that benefit youth within Rose Township; and

   WHEREAS, the Township desires to provide financial sponsorship while ensuring accountability, transparency, and proper stewardship of public funds through appropriate reporting, documentation, and oversight requirements; and

   WHEREAS, the proposed Youth Services Sponsorship Agreement establishes the terms and conditions governing the annual sponsorship, reporting requirements, recordkeeping, audit rights, and appropriate use of Township funds.

   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rose Township Board of Trustees hereby approves the Youth Services Sponsorship Agreement between Rose Township and Holly Area Youth Assistance.

   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that annual funding shall remain subject to annual budget approval by the Board of Trustees and continued compliance with all terms of the Agreement.

   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Supervisor is authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of Rose Township following Board approval.

Motion by Trustee Bourdeau to approve a resolution approving the Youth Services Sponsorship Agreement between Rose Township and Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA), authorizing an annual sponsorship of $5,000, subject to annual budget appropriations and compliance with the terms of the Agreement, and further authorize the Township Supervisor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Township, Proposed Resolution 2026-23. Supported by Trustee Maher. A roll call vote was taken. Maher – yes; Stilwell – yes; Bourdeau – yes. The motion was carried 3/0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Humorous comment regarding board size

REPORTS

- Cemetery
    - A cemetery committee meeting will be scheduled. Discussion included holding future meetings at Township cemeteries to review maintenance needs and priorities.

- N.O.C.F.A. – no meeting; no report

- Trustee Bourdeau /N-2-N /HAYA /Library
    - Gabe Hornbeck will receive his Eagle Scout ranking on Friday, July 10, at the Old Township Hall
    - Reported on preparations for the July 29 Neighbor-2-Neighbor meeting regarding the proposed Springfield Township mine, including:
        - Attendance by the full Board, Township Attorney, and Assessor.
        - Efforts to answer residents' questions regarding the proposed mine.
    - Coordination with the Road Commission and Michigan State Police regarding truck traffic and speeding concerns
    - Plans to improve public communication regarding HAYA
    - Reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals denied one variance request due to lack of practical difficulty

- Trustee Maher /N-N /NoHaz /Heritage Committee
    - Household hazardous waste collection:
        - August 1 at Kensington Church, Lapeer Rd,
        - Pre-collection available at Township Hall the preceding Friday
    - Heritage Committee participation in America250 activities
    - Upcoming Heritage Committee projects

- Treasurer /Planning Commission /Zoning Board of Appeals - no report

- Parks & Recreation
    - Topic of N2N meeting on Aug 26 will be parks; a parks expert will be present

- Attorney – not present

- Supervisor
    - Building permits - 20
    - Inspections - 16 electrical; 8 mechanical, 1 plumbing

- Complaints – 22 with 16 on-site inspections

ADJOURNMENT – Supervisor Stilwell adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm.