

BURLEIGH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

JULY 7, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Stone

Board Members present: Supervisor Chris Stone, Treasurer Sharren Engle, Clerk Stacy McClure, Trustee Matt Jordan and Trustee Paul Birkenbach Absent: None

Minutes from June meeting were reviewed by the Board, Motion to accept Minutes made by Jordan, supported by Birkenbach, motion carried.

Financial report was submitted by Engle, general fund balance \$315,205.43, Roads and bridges \$98,245.65 CD balance \$108,935.09, motion to approve financial reports made by Jordan, supported by Birkenbach, motion carried.

Planning Commission was given the preliminary proposed Master Plan, Motion was made by Jordan to approve a 63 day public input/comment period, supported by McClure, clerk will keep one copy for public inspection.

Tim Freel appeared to formally introduce himself to the public and Board as he will be providing future legal services to the township.

Bills were read by McClure, motion to pay bills made by Birkenbach supported by Jordan, motion carried.

Public comment was received including Trish McCartney who informed the Board of her property on Alabaster Road she intends on using as a short term rental, agreed she would provide the fire department with an emergency contact number. Representative from NE Michigan Children Alliance spoke briefly regarding the services they provide and the proposal on the specific millage proposal on the primary ballot. Ken Horn spoke regarding the DTE solar project and also regarding state wide and local economic growth issues.

Howie Hampft updated the Board regarding pending blight properties, including School Road, Plant Road and Wilson Creek Road, also Don Wilson did not comply with the Judgment entered.

Motion made by Birkenbach to accept and approve the Rabbish Land Division application, supported by Jordan, motion carried.

Motion to approve the Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers, made by Jordan, supported by Birkenbach, motion carried.

Jordan presented the escrow account agreement regarding legal fees provided by DTE in the amount of up to \$50,000, motion to approve made by Jordan, supported by Birkenbach, motion carried.

Supervisor Stone inquired about the Keystone Minerals Special Use Permit regarding it's expiration, clerk will provided a copy for review.

Election Commission approved the appointment of duties to Clerk and appointment of election inspectors for the primary election.

Ballot drop box and security cameras will be installed immediately due to the upcoming primary election.

\$3,000 scrap tire grant was received ad must be used within one year, Stone suggested using one trailer and split it with Sherman Township, as this year only one half of the trailer was used for tires.

Supervisor Stone will contact Schulze, Oswald & Miller in Rose City for township audit services needed.

Supervisor Stone has arranged for the cement and concrete work outside the hall.

Meeting adjourned by motion by Jordan at 9:15 p.m. Next meeting Wednesday, August 5th at the township hall.

Stacy McClure, Clerk