

Rolland Township
Rolland Township Regular Board Meeting
July 14, 2026

Opening –

The regular meeting of the Rolland Township was called to order 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at Millbrook Rolland Fire Department by Supervisor, Dan Shaw.

Present:

Dan Shaw (Supervisor), Javan Quackenbush (Treasurer), Mary Ellen Butler (Clerk), and Kevin Mitchell (Trustee), Laura Karcher (Trustee)

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Campbell was present at the meeting and gave an update on the Isabella County Administration Building. The current building will be remodeled. Commissioner Campbell informed the township board that the County was willing to transfer a .57acre parcel on 3rd Street to the township at a minimal cost if the township is interested in the property. He has also been in contact with State Senator Roger Hauck regarding a potential variance with Consumers Energy to allow the installation of Christmas Decorations on utility poles in Blanchard as well as safety issues and road wear involving horse and buggy traffic on local roads

Visitors Present:

5 community members were in attendance

Public Concerns:

Update on Pine River Church – the Methodist congregation continues to meet at the church.

Approval of Agenda

The electronically shared agenda was approved

Assessor's Report:

Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Meeting Dated: June 9, 2026

Motion to approve: Treasurer Quackenbush

Motion 2nd by: Trustee Karcher

Minutes approved without discussion

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Motion to Approve: Clerk Butler

Motion 2nd by: Trustee Mitchell

Treasurer's report was approved without discussion

Paying of Bills

Motion to approve paying township bills.

Motion to Approve: Trustee Mitchell

Motion 2nd By: Trustee Karcher

Motion to pay all bills carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.

Old Business:

Payden Park North Field Parking – Supervisor Shaw met with excavator to discuss options for additional parking at the T-ball field. The quote had not been received prior to the Township Board Meeting. Table until August meeting.

Pine River Cemetery – The well and faucet at the cemetery is working fine. No additional repairs are needed at this time.

Hitching Post report - Discussed the potential use of the property on 3rd Street as a site for a hitching post. Research continues on the legal, liability and safety concerns of adding a hitching post on township property. Blanchard currently has the 8th highest Amish population in the State of Michigan with approximately 755 residents in the Blanchard area.

New Business:

Pine River Cemetery Out House Roof – Discussed quote to repair the roof on the outhouse. The outside and inside of the outhouse is in need of paint as well. A quote was received and approved to repair the roof. A request for a painting cost will be presented at the August board meeting.

Motion to Approve repair of the Roof: Trustee Mitchell Motion 2nd by: Clerk Butler
Motion approved with a 4-0 roll call vote with 1 board member abstaining.

Payden Park Preventative Maintenance – There is painting to be completed on the dugouts as well as the fence along Coldwater Road. The sand box needs a few boards replaced and additional sand in the Spring. The Backstop at the Baseball field needs the fencing at the bottom repaired so balls cannot pass under the backstop. In contact with the Little League President developing a plan to address needs. Tabled until next month.

Chippewa River District Library Board Member Resignation – Paul Chamberlain has resigned his position effectively immediately. The residents of Rolland Township extend our sincere thanks for Paul's Service. Motion to accept Paul Chamberlains resignation from the CRDL board made by:

Motion by: Treasurer Quackenbush Motion 2nd by: Trustee Mitchell

Resignation accepted.

Chippewa River District Library Representative Replacement - June Marston has agreed to represent Rolland Township for the remainder of this year with the possibility of being appointed to complete the entire term which extends to December 2028. Motion to approve June Marston as the Rolland Township representative by:

Motion by: Trustee Karcher Motion 2nd by: Trustee Mitchell

Motion approved by a 5-0 roll call vote

Motion to Adjourn: Treasurer Quackenbush Motion 2nd By: Trustee Mitchell

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm by Supervisor, Dan Shaw. The next general meeting will be at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at the Millbrook/Rolland Fire Department in the Rex Foster Memorial Meeting Room.

