

HILL TOWNSHIP MINUTES  
JULY 7, 2026

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm with the pledge of allegiance by Chairman Rob Reid.

Roll Call: L Williams, E Scott R Reid, D Bortle, M Bortle.

16 guests

Clerks minutes of June 2, 2026 Motion by R Reid, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M Bortle to approve the minutes as read with corrections noted below. Ayes, Williams Reid, D Bortle, E Scott, Nays M Bortle

Motion carried

**Treasurers Report** – Motion by L Williams, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M Bortle to approve the Treasurers report as read.

**Correspondence** – Clerk presented **Municipal Underwriters Renewal** for the township in the amount of \$14,528.00. Motion by E Scott 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Williams to approve the renewal for Municipal Underwriters for \$14,528.00 Roll Call Vote : Aye – L Williams, Aye – D Bortle Aye – R Reid, Aye – M Bortle and Aye – E Scott. Motion carried.

Discussion about Holidays re: transfer station and Fire fighters.

Motion was made by R Reid and 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Williams to work with Rose Township and have \$250 go to the Fire Department for the workers who are not paid for volunteering for the holiday events. Roll Call - Aye – D Bortle, R Reid, L Williams, E Scott and M Bortle. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by R Reid and 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Williams to pay the transfer station employee working on holidays at a rate of time and a half. Roll Call – Aye – L Williams, E Scott, R Reid, M Bortle and D Bortle. Motion Carried.

### Old Business

**Lawn Care Bids** – After three postings there was one bid to open on the Lawn Care and it was from Jim's Lawn Care. Lawn Ranger had submitted two other bids and stated they would not bid a 3<sup>rd</sup> time. Motion was made by L Williams and 2<sup>nd</sup> by R Reid to approve the Lawn Care Bid by Lawn Ranger. Ayes – L Williams, R Reid. Nays – D Bortle, M Bortle and E Scott

A letter was received from Lawn Ranger Lawn service to be read at the meeting and entered into record.

Motion by E Scott and 2<sup>nd</sup> by D Bortle to approve the Lawn Care bid submitted by Jim's Lawn Care. Ayes – D Bortle, E Scott and M Bortle. Motion Carried. Clerk will send requirements to Jim's to proceed.

Discussion from the residents who have had unfavorable dealings with Jims.

**Fire Department Budget** – Motion by L Williams and 2<sup>nd</sup> by M Bortle to approve the Hill-Rose Fire Department Budget – Roll Call - Ayes, E Scott, L Williams, M Bortle, R Reid and D Bortle. Motion Carried.

**New Business :**

**Bob Beyerlein – RCACC** – Not present.

**Scrap Metal Collection** - Process was described for the residents and board. Mr Kenny Buhlman has been doing this service for the township for 20 years. There has been no agreement, Mr Buhlman agreed to draw one up.

**FOIA** – questions have been answered per Trustee

~~Supervisor mentioned the new commercial door will be installed outside the vestibule next week. Custom size door and commercial. Costs in capital improvement budget at approx. \$4000 included in capital improvement budget for vestibule update. Work to be completed in July.~~ Was discussed at the budget workshop.

**Fire Board** – No report from Board. Fireman present, Trinity reported 4 calls 2 fires and wildfire. Jory just completed First Responder – Congratulations

**Library Report** – Library is moving to the RCACC, ~~estimated time of move is September.~~ Work to be done yet to be able to move in. Move date to come.  
Prescott fire – no update on rebuild. Sec of State will be in RC 8-20-2026. Summer Reading programs in progress and fall programs being developed.

**Public Comment –**

Chad Wangler introduced himself as candidate for the Ogemaw County Road Commission. He has worked at the Road Commission for 29 years. He welcomed questions.

Thank you to all of those who helped with the Cleanup. It is a big job and having great volunteers coordinating things and pitching in make it easier for all. Thank you to Skip Lawrence, Olen Clemens, Terry Fritz, Randy Jennings and others.

Tom Uganst asked why there was a police present at the hall – Ellen explained that she had turned in a complaint against Rob for embezzlement.

Mary Tear remarked that it seemed the lawn bid was an estimate and not an actual bid.

Motion by L Williams and 2<sup>nd</sup> by E Scott to approve and pay the bills. Roll Call – Ayes – L Williams, M Bortle, R Reid, D Bortle and E Scott. Motion carried.

Motion by L Williams and 2<sup>nd</sup> by E Scott to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 pm. All Ayes, Motion Carried. Supervisor adjourned meeting at 7:07 pm.