

Sheridan Township Board Meeting

June 11, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

PRESENT: Bill Strouse, Supervisor; Jennifer Magnus, Treasurer; Raquel Brown, Clerk; Brian Tomaski, Trustee; James Eberhart, Trustee; Renee Merrihew, Deputy Clerk. 11 Residents.
Special Guests: County Commissioner; Jack Kleinhardt, Clare Fire; Ted Eberhart.

BOARD MEETING:

Minutes and budget from last month's meeting were shared with the board. Motion by Jennifer to approve minutes and supported by Brian. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's report stands as read.

TOWNSHIP BILLS: The township bills were shared with the Board. Motion by Brian to pay the bills, supported by Jennifer. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT: Continuing to work on the audit and election. Raquel shares topic of Headlee Amendment; State of Michigan had asked townships to budget an extra \$18,000 for election equipment in 2026-2027 budget. Headlee Amendment states they cannot demand we switch equipment unless it is funded by the State. Revisiting last meeting, a raise for Sherry Putnam was discussed; Raquel proposed raising Sherry Putnam's wages \$10 per month and Marvin Kinberg's \$10 per month. Raquel made a motion to approve raising wages for both at the elected rate. Supported by Bill. Motion carried.

TRUSTEES' REPORT: B. Tomaski shared that people are driving around the gate at the township landfill entrance. Tomaski recommends putting up posts and a gate. The cemeteries are also being cleaned up. Brian makes a motion to spend \$300 to close off the entrance of the landfill. Supported by Jim. Motion carried. Supported by Jim. Motion carried.

GUEST REPORTS: D. Kleinhardt spoke and is running for Clare County Road Commission. Roads are deplorable. No crowns on the road, speed bumps from how fast the roads are being graded, and he has had to use his own equipment to fix it by his home. He shares water seeks the lowest point of the road naturally.

J. Kleinhardt (County Commissioner) believes storm clouds are coming on financing. Sherry asks how the Amish community can help Sheridan Township with funds. Question raised if the board can implement zoning.

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BUILDING PERMITS:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type of Permit</u>	<u>Location</u>
Henry Stutzman	Plan review, Build, Plumb	Brand Ave
Kevin Brink	Final	Washington
Brooke Stewart	Elect, Mech, Plumb	Colonville
Neal Troyer	House number	Athey Ave
Jerry Swartzentruber	Build, Mech, Plumb	Washington
Ellen Yoder	Rough final	Surrey Rd
Dave Toth	Plumb, Mech,	Oak Rd
Mervin Byler	Build, Mech, Plumb	Dover Rd
Slade Davis	Plumb, Mech, Elect, Build	Brand Ave

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Land Division (Henry Stutzman) - 421x270 ft. Meets land division act on Brand Ave; taxes and assessments are paid and up to date. Motion made by Jennifer for the Stutzman Land division, supported by Jim. Motion carried.
- Cemetery Work - Tomaski is working with Dominion to complete work on Woods Cemetery.
Proposal for Trim/Mow Woods Cemetery
Proposal 1: Complete mow and trim of grounds, within fenced area. \$240
Proposal 2: Haul and spread fill sand. \$770
Tomaski makes a motion to approve both proposal 1 and 2 for a total of \$1,010. Support by Jennifer. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- N. Crawford is trying to get the Clare Road Commission to grade her road so they can bring in their own brine. S. Putnam asks if the Road Commission will fix the driveways after they have finished paving Tobacco.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn meeting made by Jennifer and supported by Jim. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.