

MOFFATT TOWNSHIP

Thomas Spencer, Supervisor
Kevin Kaczmarek, Treasurer
Dennis Wirley, Trustee

Allison Chmielewski, Clerk
Patrick Jedrzejczyk, Trustee

Monday, December 15, 2025
Regular Meeting Minutes

Spencer called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Spencer, present; Jedrzejczyk, present; Chmielewski, present; Wirley, present; Kaczmarek, present.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Agenda: Wirley motioned and Jedrzejczyk supported to approve the agenda as presented.

Supervisor's Report: Spencer reported that he signed the easement agreement with Consumer's Energy to provide power to the mobile home adjacent to the old hall.

Spencer further reported that he would broach the subject of the broken guardrail with the road commission on December 16th. There was nothing further for the supervisor to report.

Treasurer's Report: Kaczmarek reported that the payroll for December was \$9,409.25. Accounts payable were \$71,468.29. General savings have \$86,824.87 while general checking has \$137,112.22. The Michigan Class savings has \$175,223.66 in township funds and \$205,068.30 in fire funds.

Clerk's Report: Chmielewski distributed copies of the Ethics Policy (Policy #25-002) to the board members as well as to fire personnel Kernstock, MacCallum, Thurlow and Kalosis as well as Hoffman. Copies were given to Kernstock to distribute to the balance of the fire fighters. Chmielewski had nothing further to report.

Bills: There was continued discussion on the positive pay fiasco. Clerk and treasurer agree that all dishonored payments have been resolved. We still owe \$30.00 to the post office and Ace Hardware. Payments will be made soon.

The bills paid and due were reviewed. There was a question about the Consumer's bills. Chmielewski advised that she had not received bills for the township hall, fire hall or the big park.

Old Business: Chmielewski reported that all bills received from the IRS have been paid. She will continue to attempt to contact them to request removal of some of the penalties.

The attorneys submitted a new plan for handling court cases regarding blight. This process would remove responsibility for cleaning up from the township and place enforcement on the court. Ultimately the judge has the discretion, but the general feeling was that Judge Vollbach would be inclined to go along with it. Spencer motioned and Kaczmarek supported to go with option 2 outlined above. All ayes. Passed.

The Brighthouse transfer of funds was discussed. After much discussion it was determined that if the amount of the discrepancy was small, we would just let it go, however, if it is, as was reported about \$20,000.00 we would continue to pursue it.

New Business: The draft meeting schedule for 2026 was presented for review. Chmielewski requested the Budget workshop meeting and the Budget hearing be scheduled for 10 AM instead of 9 AM. Wirley motioned and Jedrzejczyk supported to alter the times to 10 AM. All ayes. Passed.

Marion Chard had submitted her resignation to the Board of Review but subsequently rescinded it. No action was necessary.

The Saganing Indians Counsel awarded the Fire Department \$23,240.00 for new SCBA gear which has been ordered.

Chmielewski motioned and Kaczmarek supported to accept the grant. All ayes. Passed.

Following receipt of a letter from a funeral home regarding the cost of a full burial and a burial of cremains. The following decisions were made. Motion by Chmielewski and supported by Kaczmarek to charge \$600.00 for a full burial and a motion by Spencer supported by Kaczmarek to charge \$300.00 for deposit of cremains. Of those amounts \$550.00 and \$250.00 respectively will go to the sexton, (currently Jim Mosciski) with the balance to the township. All ayes. Passed.

Planning and Zoning: Jedrzejczyk reported there is a special meeting in January. There was discussion on why marijuana sales had not allowed in the township. It was noted that several shops in the area have recently closed due to market saturation and there are multiple shops available within 15 to 20 miles of Alger.

John discussed the blight enforcement issue and advised the new consolidated ordinance will be available for review in January.

John continued with his usual complete report which is available from the clerk's office by appointment.

Fire Department: Kernstock reported there were 2 PI calls and a fire at Wolverton Auto which was largely contained before arrival of the fire department.

Kernstock further reported that her son would be available in the afternoons. Since Jenkins is usually off on Friday's it was decided we would hold a special meeting on Friday, December 19 at 4 PM to discuss the issues with the two firefighters.

Apparently 1531 needs replacement. Kalosis has no estimated yet for its replacement. Tabled to January.

Kalosis advised he had ordered the SCBA gear at a cost of \$23,240.00.

Kalosis requested that firefighters be allowed to wash their personal vehicles in the fire garage. There was discussion of both pros and cons regarding the request. A motion was made by Kaczmarek and supported by Wirley to allow firefighters to wash their personal vehicles after attending a fire scene within 24 hours of said event. Roll call vote: Wirley, aye; Kaczmarek, aye; Chmielewski, aye; Spencer, nay; Jedrzejczyk, aye. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation: Kernstock requested permission to load Christmas Food baskets at the hall on Friday December 19th at 6 PM. They will be distributed on Sunday, December 21st.

Kernstock thanked the board for allowing them to host the youth Christmas party at the hall.

Public Comment: Gail Schoenherr commented that there should be tools in the fire barn for use on fire department projects. It was explained to her that tools tend to disappear.

Daniels remarked that he did not think the Sexton position should be treated as an employee in the future. It was agreed that such a change would be difficult to make at this juncture.

There was no further public comment.

Adjournment:

Chmielewski motioned and Spencer supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Chmielewski, Clerk