

The regular meeting of the Crystal Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Hyslop, on Monday, January 19, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Supervisor Hyslop led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Roll was called by Supervisor Hyslop. Present: Mr. F. Lee Hyslop; Ms. Catherine Walker; Ms. Jana Boundy; Mr. Jon Stevenson; and Mr. Kyle Oomen.

Also present: Mr. Adam Herrera, Crystal Township Transfer Station Attendant; Mr. Ron Smith, Crystal Township Zoning Administrator; and Mr. Allen Purdy, Crystal Township Fire Department Chief.

*Moved by Ms. Walker and supported by Mr. Stevenson to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2025 regular meeting as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.*

### **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

There were no public comments at this time.

### **Correspondence**

Mr. Hyslop noted that he responded to Ms. Whitaker's letter; a copy of the response was provided to board members. Discussion ensued regarding several items that were addressed in Ms. Whitaker's letter. The cemetery will be a main focus in 2026.

### **Fire Department Report**

Mr. Allen Purdy, Crystal Township Fire Department Chief, requested that a background check and a driver's license check be performed on new hire fire department members. Mr. Hyslop provided some background on what will be required before new firefighters will be allowed in the field. There will be a process that will need to be followed.

*Moved by Ms. Boundy and supported by Mr. Oomen to approve Mr. Nicolas Contreras and Mr. David Strahle as firefighters and to proceed with a background check and driver's license check for insurance purposes. Voice vote. Motion carried.*

Mr. Purdy inquired of Mr. Oomen as to who owned the grain bins on 126th. Mr. Oomen noted that he would inquire as to who the owners were. Mr. Hyslop wondered why the fill station at the pond wasn't being utilized.

Mr. Hyslop noted that he did inquire as to the price of road signs from the Oceana County Road Commission.

**Zoning Report**

Mr. Ronald Smith, Crystal Township Zoning Administrator, provided his report. A couple of permits were issued. Mr. Smith provided a copy of the follow-up letter sent from District Health Department #10 in regards to the Fox property.

**Clerk’s Report**

A Clerk’s Report was not provided.

**Payment of Claims**

**GENERAL FUND CHECKING**

TOTAL OF CLAIMS \$11,858.59

**FIRE OPERATIONS FUND CHECKING**

\$ 658.67

**GRAND TOTAL OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT \$12,517.26**

*Moved by Mr. Oomen and supported by Mr. Stevenson to approve the payment of claims. Voice vote. Motion carried.*

**Treasurer’s Report (provided)**

**DECEMBER 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$404,314.85</b>
CASH RECEIPTS:	\$27,870.72
BANK INTEREST:	\$427.22 (HNB & FFCU)
DISBURSEMENTS:	\$14,857.44
BANK FEES:	\$45.00
<b>ENDING BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$417,710.35</b>

Mr. Hyslop inquired as to what the current renewal date and rate for the Huntington CD was. Ms. Walker noted that it renewed in January, for one more year, and that she thought the rate stayed the same at 4.5%, but could check for sure if needed.

### **Supervisor's Report**

Mr. Hyslop attended the OCRC meeting. It was informative. He reiterated that even though they won the MIO Grant; a grant writer from Cambridge Analytics would be involved in the RAISE Grant application process.

OCRC sent out their annual paving "wish list" and Mr. Hyslop inquired as to if there was any input on roads to be paved. Mr. Oomen suggested Jackson Road from 126th Avenue going west until the Weare Township line.

Mr. Hyslop noted that the Crystal Valley Dam was the topic of discussion at the last Oceana County Board of Commissioners' Meeting. Mr. Oomen noted that he did attend and spoke to the Board of Commissioners. Ms. Boundy disclosed that there was no funding available for repair; only for removal.

### **Old Business**

Mr. Hyslop inquired as to what Mr. Oomen and Mr. Stevenson's opinions were regarding a structure and toilet at the transfer station due to them being absent last meeting. Mr. Hyslop suggested that he could build a structure for cheaper than a port-a-potty could be obtained at an annual cost.

### **New Business**

A spreadsheet from other townships regarding current wages was provided. It was suggested that board compensation discussion be brought forth at the next meeting. Wages must be set 30 days before the annual meeting.

Mr. Hyslop noted that the recycling program is going well and the township residents have shown great positivity towards it.

Mr. Hyslop wanted it on record that he will take legal action against Mr. Smith if Mr. Smith continues to print incorrect things about him in his Zoning Reports and on Facebook.

### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment at this time.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jana L. Boundy  
Crystal Township Clerk