

OGEMAW HERALD

Churchill Township Monthly Minutes.

September 8, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7 pm & Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Kavalunas, Quigley, Miller, Lauria, Schnautz, M. Ockerman, S. Yuchasz M. Ferguson

Minutes were approved & the Treasurer report approved too.

Correspondences: Letter from Egle-Application denied due lack of information- Ella Grundner.

Letter on Special Use Application on 1280 Van Poppelen Trail.

New Business: Mark Ferguson- Children's Assessment Services spoke to the Board on the Millage request to help support the children's program. He told us the different programs they offered and the care they give to abused children in Ogemaw County & surrounding areas. Their funding has been cut & to continue they will need financial support from the Counties they service. He answered many questions & told us their future goals with the Services

Unfinished Business: Blight at Lake Ogemaw.

Board members visited the three properties in question. Only one property would have a Churchill Twp. Blight ordinance violation- which the Board will watch. The other two would be with Ogemaw County Trailer Ordinance that Churchill Twp. does not enforce- the County would be responsible. **Motion Carried:** not to take action.

Public Comment: None

Reports:

Supervisor: Blight complaint on Peters Rd.- Residents are willing to purchase a dumpster but are unable to physical lift things into the dumpster due to health issues. Suggested to find a student group looking for volunteer hours to assist with the clean-up. Also noted the complainer does not live in our Township.

Complaint on David Rd. - noise from a semi-truck being started & running. Road Commission has inspected the road and there is damage to the road from the semi-truck & will need repairs.

He attended the Lake Ogemaw Association meeting on the dam needing repairs. There are three areas of repair- two have been completed. They are working on the third repair- Supervisor stated they have a large amount of funding in their bank account for the upcoming work to be done.

Clerk: Told the Board that she has 354 Absent Voting ballot that have been requested mailed out. The Public Accuracy testing for the November 2, 2026 election is on October 19th at 6:45 pm.

Treasurer: Stated she is on the downside of the tax collection. She is working with the County Treasurr on a payment issue.

Trustee Lauri: no report

Trustee Quigley: Told the Board that in the President's "Big, Beautiful Bill" There is a loop hole. People on assistance are required to do volunteer work in order to receive this benefit- However if the County is in a high unemployment area this volunteer work is not required. Ogemaw County falls under the high Unemployment.

She stated at the Commissioners meeting mentioned the jail has failed two audits & the Sheriff has not fixed the issues so it is putting the County into a higher insurance bracket. Also the Sheriff is refusing to allow an audit to be done on the evidence room. The County Canine dog is not allowed out of the car because of a biting issue.

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The Ogemaw County Housing Dept. has not paid several Contractor for services they have provided to the County. Commissioners took a vote to pay all the contractor- it passed.

A motion was made Quigley and seconded by Schnautz to pay the bills. ***Motion Carried.***

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm

Lynn Kavalunas – Churchill Tw p. Clerk

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