

OGEMAW HERALD

Churchill Township Monthly Minutes.

February 2, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7 pm & Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Schnautz, Kavalunas, Quigley, Miller, Lauria, M. Ockerman, S. Yuchasz, B. Keith, M. Ockerman & Commissioner David.

Correspondence None

Commissioner report: David told the Board that they narrowed the position for County Administrator to 2 candidates then one withdrew. They are going to repost the position in hopes of getting more applicants. The transit is considering having a millage put on the next election. The County Audit is almost completed. They hired a new manager for the Ogemaw County deer park. The sheriff Dept. still does not have the 24 hr. road patrol running. She wanted to let the Township know that MI Works has options if we know of people in need of assistance. They have transportation options, education, heating & many helpful programs available.

Supervisor told the Board that Commissioner David was reelected as the Chairman- that she does a great job!

New Business: Brian Keith Property Split at 1979 Mohawk Trail- lake Ogemaw

Keith brought in a Survey & Letters of agreement on the small section of land that would be added to his parcel number. He stated that he was going to move his driveway off his septic system with the additional space.

Motion Carried to allow the Property split at 1979 Mohawk Trl.- Lake Ogemaw (Lot 244-B & Lot 245)

Board held discussion on this year gypsy moth suppression spraying. Supervisor will contact the Coordinator.

Public Comment. It was suggested that the Board reconsider going to the local MTA meetings- stated that change cannot happen if we are not there to contribute our opinions. The board will consider going but using our personal money to pay the required dues to attend.

Motion Carried: Personal Property Canvass Policy

Motion Carried: Procedures for granting & Removing Real Property Exemptions.

Motion Carried- Resolution #26-02 Adopt Poverty Exemption Income guidelines & Asset test.

Motion Carried Resolution #26-03 Waive penalty associated with not filed property Transfer Affidavits (PTA).

Discussion on Churchill Twp. workers' wages with minimum wage increasing. Most of the employees in review only work a few days a year but are extremely important for running Election, the Board of Review & the Twp. Clean-up day, along with the Transfer Station Manager & Township Hall Manager. With discussion it was suggested to raise the hourly pay by \$ 4.00-Election Workers, BOR Members & Clean-up day Workers & the Transfer Station Manager

The Twp. Hall Manager would go to \$200.00 per month & internet fee to increase by \$10.00.

*****Churchill Township elected Officials will not be increasing their Salaries.**

More discussion & approval will be at the March Township Board meeting.

Unfinished Business Ogemaw Fire Dept. Fire Protection bill.

Motion Carried to approve the Fire Protection bill once the format of the charges is correct- bill to show the current for protection charge & second amount of the (3 year increase) charge.

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Reports:

Supervisor: Told the Board the dates of the Board of Review meetings. Organization- March 6th.

Public Board of Review dates are **March 9th 9 am to 3 pm & March 10th 3 pm to 9 pm**

He also told the Board that the Road Commission are installing camera at the salt barns.

Clerk reported to the Board that if the Cemetery has gravestone damages- she is to call the insurance company & they will review the claims

Treasurer: Will have the Transfer Station Report at the March meeting.

Trustee Lauria: No reported

Trustee Quigley: No Report

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm

Lynn Kavalunas – Churchill Twp. Clerk

Unapproved Twp. board meeting Minutes