

## OGEMAW HERALD

Churchill Township Monthly Minutes.

January 5, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7 pm & Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Schnautz, Kavalunas, Quigley, Miller, Lauria, M. Ockerman, S. Yuchasz & Auditor-Claudia Miller.

### **Correspondence None**

Auditor Claudia gave the board members a report packet on the township audit. She reviewed the audit & answered questions. She stated the Township is doing well.

### **Public Comment.**

Resident asked how to remove the Kirtland College millage from the taxes. Board informed him that the County did look into this millage & found we cannot remove this tax.

M. Ockerman complimented the Treasurer on her tax collection process.

### **New Business: Vacant parcels in Lake Ogemaw-Fawn Lake & Crystal Drive---Garbage Special Assessments.**

Treasurer was informed that there are several parcels in the Special Garbage Assessment that have no Dwelling or Structure so no millage fee should be charged. With discussion on structures & dwellings.

**Motion Carried** to allow the Treasurer to adjust the Special Assessment garbage fee upon viewing the property that No dwelling or structure is on the parcel. **Resolution # 26-01**

Supervisor stated the residents were unable to get grave blankets on grave sites due to the snow. Currently we do not snow plow the cemetery driveways due to damage from the plows with gravestones so close to the road.

**Motion Carried** Not to snow plow the cemetery due to damage of the headstone close to the roadway.

Also mentioned was the issue of gravestones shifting & needing to be reset to the base stone. Clerk will contact the insurance company on the best solution for this issue.

**Unfinished Business:** None

### **Reports:**

**Supervisor:** Gave the Board the 2026 Fire Dept. annual contribution with the increase for Fire Dept. Equipment. The 2026 fire protection & equipment charge to the Churchill Twp. Is: \$49,609.00.

### ***Churchill Township is required by Law to have Fire Protection for its residents***

Supervisor told the Board the County has 8 candidates for the position of County Administrator. They renewed manager's contract at the secret campground & let the deer park manager go.

Road Commission is upgrading 3 hoist & hired a cleaning lady. They also resolved the issue on Bass Lake Road.

**Clerk:** No report

**Treasurer:** No report

**Trustee Lauria:** No reported

**Trustee Quigley:** No Report

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Trustee Lauria requested a report on how much money the Transfer Station makes in a year. Clerk reminded him the Transfer Station is a benefit to the Residents just like the Rent on the township hall—it is not there to make a profit but rather a benefit to the residents.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Lynn Kavalunas – Churchill Twp. Clerk

***Unapproved Twp. board meeting Minutes***