

CUMMING TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting

July 10, 2025

The monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: All board members present.

Others present were: Matt Polzin; Jane & Jim Redmond; Jim & Norma Morris; Debbie & Bob Donaldson; Louanne Rosebrugh; Ron Chapman; Pat Robinson; Connie Malecek; LeRoy Minto; Tom Minto; Rose Quackenbush; Olivia Gist; Monica & Shawn Smith; Duane Pelfrey; Linda Hall.

Ron questioned if there were any additions to the agenda; there were none.

Fred made a motion, seconded by Teena, to accept the previous monthly meeting minutes, as presented. Motion carried.

Jan T made a motion, seconded by Fred, to approve the June 25, 2025 Special Meeting minutes, as presented. Motion carried.

Jan F stated that the payment for the Rose City Area Community Center needs to be discussed; she suggested paying the annual amount of \$10,000. Discussion was held; General ck#00018 to the RC Area Community Center will be \$10,000. Teena made a motion, seconded by Jan F, to pay the bills. Roll Call Vote: Fred, Teena, Jan T, Ron, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Fred reported that there have not been alerts for the sewer system; he stated we are still waiting to see if work needs to be done on the control panel and he would like to wait until he gets trained for the monitoring of the system before paying for the control panel repairs. Discussion was held.

Fred reported that the hall upgrades are moving along. He stated that the bathrooms and back furnace room need to be abated and will get bids for the complete abatement, which will be approximately \$9,200. An adjustment will be deducted for the election closet and front furnace room, as they were not abated. Removal of the bathroom stalls, sinks, and toilets will be approximately \$3,400. There will be an extra cost for plumbing in the bathrooms. Chase Wiltse will submit a quote for drywall in the bathrooms. Teena questioned if a small, handwashing sink needs to be added in the kitchen; Fred stated no. Jan F reported that at the June 25, 2025 Special Meeting, it was said that the election closet flooring was installed illegally, and that approval was not given by the board. Jan stated that she spoke with Joey Clark, from Morse Clark Furniture, on June 26, 2025 and he stated yes, the election closet and the front furnace room were included in the bid; Fred stated he also spoke with Joey Clark and that is correct.

Fred gave the RC Fire report, which included: no fire runs for Cumming Township. Jan F reported that the Fire Escrow Resolution needs to be updated, according to Ryan Veeder, Ogemaw County Zoning Dept. Ron stated we approved a Resolution years ago. Ron made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-0710 for the Fire Escrow. Discussion was held. This issue will be tabled until the August 7, 2025 meeting. Teena will contact Ryan Veeder.

Ron gave the OCOA report, which included: going good; some Federal funds have been cut and some Federal funds have been coming in slowly; there is still growth in the number of people attending the meals; donations for meals were discussed; there are 50-85 individuals for meals per day, two (2) trucks deliver three (3) days per week.

Jan T gave the Transfer Station report, which included: going good; there were 105 individuals for the clean-up. Jan T stated she would like to thank the following individuals that volunteered at the clean-up: Charlie, Jan F, Jacob, Fred, Matt, Corinne, Kathy, Sam, Denise, Gary and Jenny who showed up, but since we had a crew was sent home. Jan T also stated we had some fantastic boys that volunteered at the clean-up and were complimented by how well they helped; she thanked: Shawn, Liam, Jacob, Jericho, and Von. Jan T reported there weren't any problems; it was a great

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clean-up. Ron thanked Jan T and the community for the help at the clean-up.

Teena reported that she wanted to note a deposit was put into the Recycle account, which is the wrong account, so a check was written today, to put the money into the correct account.

Ron reported that there will be a July Board of Review, this is for clerical errors only. The time will be confirmed with Allison Thompson, Assessor and posted.

Matt Polzin gave the RC Area Community Center report, which included: introducing himself; the consortium took possession of the building today; he will bring the meeting minutes to the Cumming Township meetings; many volunteers are needed to help clean-up the building; Fred Lewis, from the East Pointe Plaza in Hale, attended the last meeting. Ron stated the board officers were established.

Ron reported that one (1) weed treatment has been done on Henderson Lake.

Jan F presented a flyer regarding MI CIMS Emergency Training. She stated this is being done to help prepare communities for emergency situations, like the ice storm that occurred here in Northern Michigan. Discussion was held. Jan T will complete this training.

Jim Morris stated no one knew about the Special Meeting on June 25, 2025: Jan F posted the Special Meeting at the township hall, at the Transfer Station, and on the website.

Fred stated he would like the hiring of employees at the Transfer Station to be like all other positions, where the information is taken to the board; Jan T stated positions are posted at the Transfer Station, Ron agreed.

Duane Pelfrey questioned where it stands regarding the cleaning of the ditches along M33 is at? He stated the water is backing up into his property. Fred will contact Eric from MDOT.

Teena reported there is \$298,000 in the Road Acct and questioned if any work is being done besides the brining; Ron stated no other work is being done, there isn't enough money to build a road. Teena stated that she would like to take \$200,000 from the Road Acct and put it into a CD. Discussion was held regarding interest rates: current CD rates are 3.99%, Money Market rates are 3.1%-4.9%. Teena made a motion, seconded by Fred, to move \$200,000 from the Road Acct to a seven (7) or 12-month CD. Roll Call Vote; Jan T, Teena, Ron, Fred, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Jan F, to adjourn at 7:48pm. Motion carried.

_____, Clerk