

CUMMING TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting

June 4, 2026

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

Others present were: Jim & Jane Redmond; Kathy Maestas; Samantha Campbell; Kelli Rembowski; Colleen Kaczmarek; Ron Chapman; Ray & Debby Grant; Rose Quackenbush; Rose & Bob Hoover; Duane Pelfrey; Gary Asel; Louanne Rosebrugh; Matt Polzin; Ken Westfall; Michelle Berk; Mike Kelly; Corinne Maher; Connie Malecek; Delinn Keetch.

Ron questioned if there were any additions to the agenda: Ron added Scribner Rd –Lapham under new business. Ron stated the agenda stands as amended.

Ron reported the following change to the minutes: page 1, paragraph 6, ...across public property to ... across private property. Jan T made a motion, seconded by Fred, to accept the previous monthly meeting minutes, as corrected. Motion carried.

Ron reported that Clean-up will be held on June 13. Colleen Kaczmarek questioned if there will be a tire clean-up; Jan T stated she hasn't heard anything on the Tire Grant. Jan F stated that TR Timber will hold a tire collection, it was on Facebook.

Teena reported that she cashed in the General CD and rolled it into the General Checking Acct. She also reported that she rolled over the Road CD and the Fire CD. Teena stated the \$200,000 Road CD will mature in July. Ron questioned if the township received tax collections for Winter and Summer taxes; Teena stated yes. Jan F stated the township only collected taxes in the Winter taxes. Jan F questioned when the Huntington bank account will be closed; Teena stated she is waiting for the State of MI. Jan F made a motion, seconded by Teena, to approve the bills. Roll Call Vote: Jan T, Fred, Teena, Ron, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Fred reported that the leak in the roof has been repaired. Ron stated that Travis Kangas will check the siding on the hall that needs to be repaired. Jan F questioned how many septic tanks are at the hall; Fred stated two (2). Fred made a motion, seconded by Ron, to accept the bid for \$440, from Lil' Willies to clean out the septic tanks at the hall. Roll Call Vote: Ron, Teena, Fred, Jan T, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Jan F reported that she spoke with Rebecca Vorva regarding the need for a floor steamer. Ron made a motion, seconded by Jan T, to purchase a floor steamer at the cost of \$300 or less. Roll Call Vote: Fred, Ron, Jan T, Teena, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

Fred reported that he spoke with Pat Reinke, Ogemaw County Road Commission, regarding the road project on the last 1/4 of Ogemaw Center Rd, east of Morrison; there isn't any funding for road work this year. Fred stated that Pat Reinke can get the permits required and that bids will need to be obtained for gravel. Fred reported that he also checked on the project for Prior Creek on Peters Road; he stated that a square-like box would be used instead of culverts. This project would cost \$170,000 - \$200,000, half paid by Churchill Twp and half paid by Cumming Twp. Fred stated he questioned if grants were available. Jan F stated she spoke with Mike Kelly regarding the project on Ogemaw Center Road, then spoke with the Road Commission, which agreed that Mike Kelly could do the ditching. Mike Kelly reported that he contacted Crawford Sand & Gravel, which stated that the township could get gravel from them. They also stated that the project only needed 6-8 inches of gravel; the Road Commission stated we would need 12 inches. Mike will contact Crawford Sand and Gravel for a bid; he will also get a trucking bid. Jan F stated there are eight (8) residents on the 1/4 mile.

Fred reported that he hasn't heard from Tom Benjamin regarding the back door ramp, rail, and posts. Jan F stated that we will need bids for the ramp project.

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Samantha Campbell questioned where were we in reconciliation; Teena stated that she and her deputy met and reconciled May 2025 – May 2026. Jan F questioned if the reconciliation was a bank reconciliation: Teena stated yes. Jan F stated that the reconciliation with the bank should be done, then the Treasurer's report should be for the reporting month; it is the only way to cross-check the ledger; Teena stated she can't change the numbers. Jan F stated she wasn't included in the reconciliation done by Teena and her deputy. Jan F reiterated that the Treasurer's report needs to include all the information for the month to match the General Ledger. Teena stated she will go to the Auditor. Discussion was held. Samantha Campbell stated the township is very close to being under question with the State. She also stated that the Transfer Station revenue has not been reported for two (2) months; Teena stated that wasn't correct.

Ron gave the OCOA report, which included: things went well; review of food vendors; millage revenue has picked up the decrease in State/Federal revenue; mortgage will be paid off this fall.

Jan T gave the Transfer Station report, which included: Clean-up is June 13, dumpsters are ordered and volunteers are signed up; clean-up will consist of one (1) truck with trailer or two (2) carloads. Connie Malecek questioned if items that cannot be taken are on the website; Jan T stated yes, but some TVs and microwaves may be accepted. Jan T also stated that batteries can be accepted, they will go to Home Depot.

Bill Olsen gave the HL report, which included: the first HL Weed Control Hearing will be held on June 10 at 6pm, at Hill Township, a quorum must be present; the first weed treatment is scheduled for June 9; the second HL Weed Control Hearing will be held on June 24 at 6pm, at Hill Township.

Duane Pelfrey gave the RCACC report, which included: the water is on in the lower level, Summer Rec will use the lower level; Gary Asel resigned as the alternate member; looking for volunteers to help clean for Summer Rec. Colleen Kaczmarek stated she will take the alternate member position; the Board unanimously appointed Colleen Kaczmarek. Ron thanked Duane Pelfrey for all he does for the RCACC; Duane Pelfrey thanked Gary Asel for all he does also.

Ron reported there is an issue on the HL Subdivision, Lots 58 and 60; these lots were combined, then Lot 60 was sold. There is a garage the is in violation; Lot 60 will need to give Lot 58 six (6) ft along the rear of the lot. Ron stated that both property owners are agreeable. Ron made a motion, seconded by Fred, to approve the adjustment of Lots 58 and 60 in the HL Subdivision. Roll Call Vote: Ron, Fred, Teena, Jan T, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried. Ron also reported that he spoke with Ryan Veeder and there are four (4) properties within the township that need to be re-zoned. Ryan Veeder told Ron that all properties could be taken care of at one (1) Planning Commission Meeting a the end of July.

Jan F presented the flyer from MTA regarding extra costs for on-line subscriptions; the board unanimously agreed to not subscribe to these subscriptions.

Jan F presented information regarding the Northeast Michigan Assessors Association meeting to be held on July 27.

Ron reported that he spoke with Scott Bell, Lapham, regarding the flooding over Scribner Road, east of Morrison Road, to see if ditching is possible. An Environmental Rep will walk the area to see if ditching is feasible, according to EGLE, the cost should be no more than \$500. Ron stated that if ditching can be done across the private property, the Road Commission would ditch along the road. Ron Chapman questioned if the property owner granted permission; Ron stated yes. Ron made a motion, seconded by Jan T, to approve the Environmental Rep walk the area of the property to be ditched. Roll Call Vote: Teena, Fred, Jan T, Ron, Jan F – All Yes. Motion carried.

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Corinne Maher addressed the burned-out mobile home on Morrison Road: the vehicles have been moved, when can the property be cleaned up. Jan F stated she was told that the property was put in the son's name. Teena will check into this.

Delinn Keetch questioned if the township has a Blight Officer; Ron stated no.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Fred, to adjourn at 7:25pm. Motion carried.

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