

**HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP**  
**Minutes of the July 8, 2025**  
**Regular Board Meeting**

Call to Order: 6:34 pm by Supervisor Jim Partridge  
Opening prayer by Trustee Wetzel and pledge to the flag.

Roll Call: Supervisor J. Partridge, Clerk D. Olson, Treasurer J. Phillips. Trustees, D. Eichholz, A. Holtrust, B. Scheck and W. Wetzel.

Also Present: 2 guests

Public Comment

Ellyn Main, township representative on the public library board, gave report of survey results, upcoming events, including fund-raiser book sale and scavenger hunt.

Meeting Agenda: Motion made by Supervisor Partridge to accept meeting agenda, with exception to move up Supervisor report, seconded by Trustee Holtrust. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report

Reported on recent meeting with Dana Yarger, Trauma Program Manager, regarding EMS county-wide score card and process of regular analysis. Presented complaint report from County Zoning, upcoming Board of Review and township property with back taxes due. Supervisor related conversation by owner of facility, formerly a nursing care business, now researching possible conversion to low-income housing units. Also, had conversation with Thornapple Lake resident pursuing lake area sewer system. Interim Chair installed – Supervisor Partridge moved to appoint Trustee Scheck, Deputy Supervisor, to conduct remainder of meeting, so that Mr. Partridge could attend other township meeting. Seconded by Clerk Olson; motion carried. 6:50 PM, Interim Chair Scheck led rest of the Board Meeting.

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items: minutes of the June 10, 2025 regular meeting, Fire report and 911 report. Library report not yet received. Motion made by Trustee Holtrust to accept all consent agenda items as presented, seconded by Trustee Eichholz; motion carried.

County Commissioner – R. Teuessen

Reported various updates: ground breaking for new Commission on Aging building, body cams for Sheriff's office and Rutland Township deciding on Meijer store project.

Unfinished Business

1. Ambulance service – discussion on recently purchased ambulance and upgraded training of personnel.
2. Recycling Module – discussed ongoing search for potential buyers of furniture no longer needed by township, that is being stored in recycle unit.
3. ESTA Statement – Clerk Olson present statement, drafted for the township, in response to Earned Sick Time law passed earlier in the year. Currently all employees are exempt. Motion made by Trustee Eichholz and seconded by Trustee Wetzel to adopt Statement as written. Motion carried.

New Business

1. Michigan Recycling Coalition – discussion over receipt of invoice by Coalition. Trustee Holtrust motioned to not renew membership at this time, seconded by Trustee Eichholz. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Wetzel and seconded by Clerk Olson to approve the warrants totaling \$128,791.70 MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Dept. Reports:

\*\*Treasurer's Report: Motion by Trustee Wetzel, seconded by Clerk Olson to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays.

\*\* Clerk's Report: Quarterly update presented, to review and discuss next meeting.

\*\* Supervisor's Report: Given earlier in the meeting.

Public Comment

None

Board member comments

Trustee Holtrust presented idea of inviting County Clerk or other specialist to speak on Ranked Choice Voting – discussed agreement. Interim Chair Scheck pointed out Fire Chief's comments regarding recent concert and successful support and operation.

Adjourn: Motion by Trustee Wetzel, seconded by Interim Chair Scheck to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
David J. Olson – Clerk

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk

Date \_\_\_\_\_