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BOIS BLANC TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting
February 18, 2026
Bois Blanc Township Hall

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm Supervisor Brent Sharpe

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Diane Akright, Brent Sharpe, and Sue Winters Absent: Megan Hawver-Vallance, Tom Wybranowski

Agenda was reviewed and accepted.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion was made by S Winters with a 2nd by D Akright to accept the 01/21/26 regular meeting minutes as submitted.

Roll call vote: Ayes: B Sharpe, S Winters, D Akright, Nays: none Absent: Megan Hawver-Vallance, T Wybranowski

Motion 2026-006 carried

Treasurer's Report:

None

Budget Amendments:

None

Motion to pay the bills:

Motion was made by S Winters, 2nd by D Akright to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call vote: Ayes: B Sharpe, S Winters,

D Akright, Nays: none Absent: Megan Hawver-Vallance, T Wybranowski **Motion 2026-007 carried**

Department Reports:

Airport: Things are fine.

Fire: No report. EMS training approval in New Business.

Marina: Special meeting was scheduled for 2/14/26, however we have not seen any minutes from it yet. Requested rate increases were received from Plaunt Transportation is on the agenda for later.

Law: None

Cemetery: None

Parks and Rec: None

Planning: None

Transfer Station: None

Zoning: None

Maintenance: None

Health Committee: Conference call with Straits Hospital was on 2/12/26. We had a lot of discussion about what we (those of us on Bois Blanc) felt the needs to service the island were. 2 Things stressed were blood draws and a

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consistent schedule. Multiple options were discussed. The health committee will be putting together a general health survey to be launched to the community to gather a better idea of community health needs that the clinic may be able to prepare for. Chris Viers mentioned that while doing some organizing and cleaning, the FD found a new EKG machine and wanted to make sure the health committee was aware of it. (We do remember the foundation purchasing – Diane will look into it and pass along the info to the committee)

Old Business:

Harbor Commission responded to the questions we had regarding the seal coat bids. This is for sealcoating and striping of the causeway only. Expectation is to get it done first thing in May. Again, their recommendation is to accept the bid from Mullet Lake Sealcoating. Motion was made by S Winters, 2nd by D Akright to accept the bid from Mullet Lake Sealcoating for the sealing and striping of the causeway. Roll call vote: Ayes: B Sharpe, S Winters, D Akright, Nays: none Absent: Megan Hawver-Vallance, T Wybranowski **Motion 2026-008 carried** HC wants to have the repaving of the damaged asphalt and the West parking at the same time the airport is resurfaced.

Public Comment:

New Business:

- County contract for early voting: An agreement for election services was submitted for approval. Clerk advises it is advantageous to have the county handle the 9 day early voting as our cost would be significantly less than handling the whole thing here ourselves. Motion was made by D Akright, 2nd by S Winters to enter into the Elections Services agreement with Mackinac County for 2026. Roll call vote: Ayes: B Sharpe, S Winters, D Akright, Nays: none Absent: Megan Hawver-Vallance, T Wybranowski **Motion 2026-009 carried**
- Mackinac County Road Commission sent notification of a public hearing regarding changes to Mackinac County's Seasonal Road List. In doing this a discrepancy was found between the County's Certification Maps and our/911 recognized street names. Motion was made by D Akright, second by S Winters to petition MCRC to update street names on their Certification Maps to coincide with the recognized addressing names designated by the township and recognized by 911. Roll call vote: Ayes: B Sharpe, S Winters, D Akright, Nays: none Absent: Megan Hawver-Vallance, T Wybranowski **Motion 2026-010 carried**
- 2026 Ferry rates and schedule: Proposed rates and schedule was received by Plaunt Transportation, however they were calculated with the CPI-U and the increase on last years actual rates which are both outside of the contract and result in skewed numbers, therefore a letter will be sent to Plaunt Transportation with a request to re-submit.
- EMS training: Motion was made by S Winters, 2nd by D Akright to Authorize B Sharpe to sign the Tuition Payment Agreement with Cheboygan Life Support Systems for EMS training for Chris and Keri Viers. Roll call vote: Ayes: B Sharpe, S Winters, D Akright, Nays: none Absent: Megan Hawver-Vallance, T Wybranowski **Motion 2026-011 carried**

Correspondence & Meetings:

- A letter from US Army Corps of Engineers regarding their final environmental statement for the proposed Enbridge Line 5 Tunnel Project was received and distributed to all board members.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M Akright , Bois Blanc Township Clerk