

**Hamilton Township Board**  
**September 09, 2025**  
**7:00 p.m. - Hamilton Township Hall**

**1. Call to Order/Pledge**

The board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Conway. Also Present: Clerk Rebecca Mott, Treasurer Sandra Hanson, and Trustees Karen Makay and Justin Klein. There were thirteen guests present.

**2. Limited Public Comments**

James Raffee – New recycling center

**3. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**

Addition: New Business: c) Resolution approving special assessment on Police Protection; Deletion: New Business: a) Robert Rogers - IT

**4. Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Makay, second by Klein, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**5. Consent Agenda**

- a) Approval of the August 12, 2025, meeting minutes as presented.
- b) Monthly Budget Report for August - Cash Balances as of 08/31/25: General Fund - \$290,266.14; Road Fund - \$49,646.43; Lake of the Woods Weed Fund - \$24,884.01.
- c) Payment of Bills

Motion by Makay, second by Hanson, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**6. Old Business**

- a) **Vineyard Bike Tour** – The bike tour was held on September 07, 2025, and was well attended.
- b) **Neighborhood Watch** – The neighborhood watch program will be ending at the end of 2025. If someone is interested in taking over the program and the Facebook page, please get in touch with Jaime Stone-McEnaney at [nw49045@outlook.com](mailto:nw49045@outlook.com). We thank Jaime for all her hard work and dedication to the program over the years.
- c) **Hamilton Park – Open field project** - The Board will work with the Van Buren Conservation District to get plans for a good layout for the park.

**7. New Business**

- a) **Senior Services – Lawrence and Paw Paw** – The Board discussed reallocating more funds to Lawrence Senior Services and less to Paw Paw Senior Services considering the turnout of Hamilton Twp residents is more in Lawrence.

Motion by Makay, second by Hanson, to approve allocation of 85% of available funds to Lawrence S.C. and 15% to Paw Paw S.C. Motion carried.

- b) **Resolution approving Special Assessment on Fire and Quick Response –**

Motion by Klein, second by Makay, to approve the resolution for special assessment for fire and quick response. Roll Call: Hanson – Yes, Mott – Yes, Makay – Yes, Klein – Yes, Conway – Yes. Motion carried.

- c) **Resolution approving Special Assessment on Police Protection –**

Motion by Makay, second by Klein, to approve the resolution for special assessment for police protection. Roll Call: Mott – Yes, Makay – Yes, Klein – Yes, Hanson – Yes, Conway – Yes. Motion carried.

**8. Reports**

**Supervisor** – Recap of agenda items

**Treasurer** – Collecting taxes September 15, 2025

**Clerk** – November Election prep

**Zoning** – Permits issued for both new construction and demos

**Planning** – Meeting October 13, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

**Sherriff** – 80 calls for August; Thefts continue to rise, install cameras; Phone scams on the rise; Blight updates

**Fire Board/Quick Response** – Looking into grants; QR is continually doing an excellent job with a 98% response rate; Inventory software demonstration; AED device maintenance and training

**Grange Hall** – Rentals for 2025 scheduled; 150yr celebration in October; Dances will be held in October and November

**Assessor** – Parcel reviews for 2025 on track

**Roads**- Roadside mowing; Click Fix app on the County website; Call 911 or dispatch at 269-674-8011 for weather related issues and downed trees

**Senior Services** – Hamilton Township partners with the Paw Paw and Lawrence Townships Senior Citizen Programs; Having a good turnout for dinners and activities; Visit <https://hamiltontownshipmi.org> for more information

**Conservation District** – Open field project; Decatur Transfer station looking to add Styrofoam recycling; Contact the Conservation District at 269-657-4030 ext. 5 or visit their Facebook page at: Van Buren Conservation District for information on available programs and resources for our area

## 9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Klein, second by Hanson, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Rebecca Mott, Hamilton Township Clerk