

Bloomington Township Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 19, 2025 @ 7:00pm

109 E. Kalamazoo St., Bloomington, MI 49026

MINUTES:

1. Supervisor Ashbrook called the meeting to order at 7:00pm
2. The Recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited
3. Members present; Supervisor Ashbrook, Treasurer Blackson, Clerk Kelly, Trustee Johnson, Trustee Nelson
4. Motion by Blackson Supported by Kelly to accept the amended agenda and consent agenda Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
5. Motion by Nelson Supported by Blackson to approve the meeting minutes from the October 15, 2025 regular meeting. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
6. Motion by Nelson Supported by Johnson to accept the Treasurer's report as given by Treasurer Blackson. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
7. Public comments- NONE
8. Motion by Johnson Supported by Blackson to approve the of payments of invoices oner \$500.00 Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion carried
 - a. Best Way Disposal \$2,500.00 (transfer station)
 - b. Bloomington Communications \$ 509.19
 - c. KCI Kent Communications Inc \$ 2,115.22 (winter 2025 tax bills)
 - d. U.S Fire Services \$3,652.50 (ladder and hose testing fire dept.)
 - e. Van Buren County Sheriff \$2,058.39 (blight/ord officer)
 - f. Fleet Services \$1,142.90 (hydraulic hose wheel fire dept)
9. Reports:
 - a. The written Assessors Report (October & November) was read by Clerk Kelly and Supervisor Ashbrook
 - b. Fire Department Report was given by Chief Chris Serdel
 - c. Life Ambulance report was given by John Pinkster
 - d. Supervisors Report was given ny Supervisor Ashbrook
 - e. Van Buren County Commissioners Report was given by Commissioner Dave DeStefeno
 - f. Van Buren County Road Commissioner Report was given by Commissioner Doug Burleson
 - g. Van Buren County Sheriff's Report was given by Deputy Tarner
10. Postponed Business: NONE
11. New Business:
 - a. Motion by Nelson Supported by Blackson to accept the Budget Amendments as given by Clerk Kelly. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried

- b. Motion by Blackson Supported by Johnson to accept the estimate from Berend Hendricks Insurance for all Municipal needs (not to exceed \$36,000.00) Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
 - c. Kalli Marshall from the Van Buren County Conservation District spoke, addressing the Styrofoam recycling program, and other programs that will start in the coming 2026 year.
 - d. Motion by Ashbrook Supported by Nelson to allow Treasure Blackson to Invest \$ 500,000.00 in a liquid asset fund to achieve a better return on the Townships funds. Treasurer Blackson will give us a report at three(3) months to inform the board how much interest we have accrued and possibly invest more at that time. Per our investment policy. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
 - e. Motion by Ashbrook Supported by Nelson to fund needed Building Maintenance to the leaking windows in Library and community room. Not to exceed \$5,000.00 (windows, walls, community room, lobby, etc) Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion carried
 - f. Motion by Ashbrook Supported by Nelson to POSTPONE the Harris/Bonnilla request for variance for a Driveway permit, and to allow 3 homes on a single parcel, as the Board needs pore time to investigate the issue. The Bonnillas contacted the Township on Monday, November 17,2025- leaving little to no time for the Board to research the situation. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes Motion Carried
12. Public Comments- Kenny Clevenger spoke to the community, he is running for State Senate.
13. Supervisor Ashbrook adjourned the meeting at 8:35pm by Voice Vote; All Ayes

Submitted by, Melanie Kelly- Bloomingdale Township Clerk