

**Mecosta Township**

**Regular Meeting**

**19729 11 Mile Rd. Big Rapids, Mi.**

**September 12, 2023 / unapproved minutes**

**Prepared By: Lois Brennan, Mecosta Township Clerk**

1. Call the meeting to Order.
2. Pledge to The Flag
3. Roll Call: -Tyler Huntley, James Cain, Michele Graham, Lois Brennan, Mary Quinlan – all present.
4. Approval of the Agenda: Motion to move 8. Brief Public Comment under 10. Representative Tom Kunse and accept agenda with the change made by
5. Approval of the Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes from August 2 as presented made by Tyler Huntley, Mary Quinlan 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.
6. Treasurers Report: Per Treasurer Mary Quinlan – reporting for the month of August 2023, fund balances are as follows: General Fund checking \$639,006.07, Isabella Bank CD \$127,454.35, First Responders \$3,196.23, Fire – equipment/building (milage account) \$159,061.14, Fire Fund – Operations \$-7,560.91, Total Funds \$921,156.88. Money will need to be moved in the budget to correct the balance of the fire department.
7. Approval to Pay Bills & Payroll: Motion to approve bills and payroll in the amount of \$132,660.41 made by James Cain, Tyler Huntley 2<sup>nd</sup>. Roll Call: James Cain – yes, Tyler Huntley – yes, Lois Brennan – yes, Mary Quinlan – yes, Michele Graham – yes. Motion carried. Special note road construction bills were included in the total.
8. Brief Public Comment
9. Stephanie McNeal: Clerk Brennan introduced Stephanie McNeal to the board as her replacement for the Clerk's position. Stephanie is currently the Clerk of Morton Township but is looking to move into Mecosta Township as she is a newlywed, and her husband resides within Mecosta Township. Brief conversation between Board Members and Stephanie took place. Stephanie will be giving her resignation to her Board on October 10<sup>th</sup> and be effective as of October 11<sup>th</sup> which would allow for her to be able to be appointed to Mecosta Township Clerk's position in November 2023. During the discussion the topic of the 9 day voting requirements for the State of Michigan came up. Clerk Brennan felt it right for Stephanie to voice her opinion as the incoming Clerk. The discussion led to a motion to hold the 9-day voting at the County level made by James Cain, Mary Quinlan 2<sup>nd</sup>. All aye – motion carried.