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Unapproved Minutes
Mecosta Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
January 13, 2026, 6 pm

1. Call Meeting to Order at 6:00 pm by Supervisor John Boyd
2. Pledge to The Flag by all.
3. Roll Call: Mary Quinlan, Stephanie McNeal, James Cain, Tyler Huntley and John Boyd were all present. 11 public citizens were present.
4. Motion to approve the agenda by M. Quinlan, second by J. Cain. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried
5. Motion to approve minutes from regular meeting December 8, 2025, by J. Cain, second by M. Quinlan. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried
6. Treasurers Report submitted by Treasurer Mary Quinlan.
7. Motion to approve payment of bills, payroll and payroll taxes in the amount of \$67,614.14 by J. Cain, second by M. Quinlan. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried
8. Brief Public Comment: County Commissioner Chris Zimmerman commented that the township meeting is coming up at Wheatland Township on Monday, January 26, 2026 and that the county is looking for an elected official to participate in the 8-county MMP. He also mentioned that there is an effort to recall Karla Miller, Mecosta County Drain Commissioner.
9. Reports:
 - A. Fire Department: See attached report.
 - B. County Commissioner: No report.
 - C. Supervisor: Supervisor Boyd reported that he will be submitting our recreation plan to the DNR. Change joint fire officer/township board meeting will be changed to February 2. Road projects consideration will be discussed at February meeting. Resident has had some drainage issues and can't find any means to help her.
 - D. Clerk: Clerk McNeal reported that she and the treasurer are working on an employee handbook.
 - E. Cemetery: \$1766 in checking account. February and March will be budgeting months.
 - F. Budget: Reviewed 2025-26 fiscal year budget.
 - G. Planning Commission: No meeting in January 2026.
10. Unfinished Business:
 - A. Trisha Anderson, Land Use Planner, from Williams and Works presentation.
 - B. Recycling – discussed portable recycling in Village of Stanwood.
 - C. Building Department – Supervisor Boyd reported on the status of the building, plumbing and HVAC inspectors.

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11. New Business:

- A. Car Dealership Application – need more information
- B. Committee Members Pay
- C. Private Cemetery – update on inquiry for a private family burial plot
- D. Resolution for Poverty Guidelines 2026 and Asset Plan – R-2026-001
- E. Clear Water Lake Management – Clear Water Lake Management proposal for weed treatment and algae control at Rogers Pond DNR Boat Launch – \$2500 per treatment
Motion to approve two weed treatments and a water quality program test for \$5065 by T. Huntley, second by J. Cain. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried
- F. Hose Testing for Fire Department – Motion to approve fire hose testing, ground ladder testing, and aerial testing by National Hose Testing Specialties Inc. not to exceed \$4469. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Motion Carried.

12. Public Comment: None

13. Board Public Comment: None

14. Announcements/Correspondence: Mecosta County Sheriff's Report for December and minutes from the last county commissioners' meeting.

15. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm by J. Cain, second by S. McNeal. 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried

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