

**Ganges Township Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Minutes of December 9, 2025**

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Ganges Township Hall, located at the corner of 119th Ave and 64th St. Board members present by roll call: Hutchins, Reimink, Hebert, Thompson. Absent: Phelps

Additions to Agenda: 11 C Short-Term Rental Moratorium addition. Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the agenda dated 12/09/2025 with the addition. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Annual report received from the Planning Commission, and a letter from Varnum representing Saugatuck Weekends, appealing the Campground Moratorium.

Public Comments

Allegan County Judge Margaret Bakker informed the board and audience about the Allegan County Legal Assistance Center. Judge Bakker left literature and asked the township to help educate the community about this free service.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 11/11/2025. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of 11/24/2025. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the Closed Session Meeting Minutes of 11/24/2025. Motion Carried

Reimink reported the balances as of 11/30/2025 as follows:

General Fund	\$670,757.36
Ambulance Fund	\$16,380.62
Fire Fund	\$551,689.77
First Responders Fund	\$148,880.40
Road Fund	\$108,911.83
CD	\$566,713.49

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

~~Riemink~~ Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 12/09/2025, as presented, from the following funds: General Fund- \$51,785.52; Fire Fund- \$6,914.13; First Responder Fund- \$1,222.40. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Fire Dept.- Angel Boyles-Jager reported that the final number of calls for 2025 will be less than in previous years. The Fire Department is requesting the purchase of ~~materials~~ for two new students to attend the Fire Academy starting in January at \$750 per student, and one student for the MFR class through the Fennville Fire Department, with a cost of \$800.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the classes. Motion carried.

Sexton- Hebert reported for Broe that it has been quiet and there were no burials this month.

Planning Commission - Hutchins reported that the Planning Commission will be wrapping up the campground corrections at next week's meeting, as this is the top priority. The committee has finished the definitions and is continuing to work on rules and regulations.

Unfinished Business

Hebert moved, and Reimink seconded, to approve the Township Work Order on Public Roads for paving projects, and crack, chip and fog projects. Motion carried.

New Business

Herbert moved, Reimink seconded, the appointment of Charles Mannion of 6611 Deer Trail to the Ganges Township Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, the three-year prepaid Provident Accident and Health Policy, which covers all Township employees. Motion carried.

Herbert moved to, and Hutchins seconded, to approve the ordinance imposing a temporary moratorium on short-term rentals drafted by the township attorney, effective until June 30, 2026.

Roll call vote

Hutchins-Yes

~~Reimink~~ Reimink-Yes

Hebert-Yes

Thompson-Yes

Final tally 4 in favor, zero opposed, motion carried.

Public Comments

Marsha Maslanka of 1811 66th St expressed her gratitude for the imposition of the short-term rental Moratorium.

Charles Mannion of 6611 Deer Trail expressed his gratitude to the Ganges Fire Department for their professionalism during a recent call to his home.

Kim Mannion of 6611 Deer Trail shared a concern for Sue Mackey, asking whether the Moratorium also covers campground expansions. Hebert assured Kim that campground expansions were also covered in the Moratorium.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Danielle Michael
Ganges Twp Deputy Clerk