

**GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
MINUTES OF APRIL 08, 2025**

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

Reimink moved, Phelps seconded, to approve the agenda dated 4/08/2025 with the addition of 11F. Request to support BEAD Funding. Motion carried.

**Correspondence-** Email received from Emily Slotman requesting gravel on 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue off of Blue Star Hwy.

Email received from David Janda, reporting flooding in the Glennwoods Community due to Ridgeway Construction. Pictures included.

Email received from James Crosser, Glenn resident, letting the board know that he had an interest in taking any unfilled positions with the township.

**Public Comments-**None

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 3/11/25 as amended. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Hebert seconded, to approve the special meeting minutes of 3/21/25. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 03/31/2025 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 414,625.88
Ambulance Fund	142,924.92
Fire Fund	644,602.93
First Responders	68,602.68
Road Fund	614,863.52
Road CD	400,852.59
CD	514,622.07
CD	300,000.00

Hebert moved, Phelps seconded, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 04/08/2025 as presented from the following funds: General Fund- \$37,222.62; Fire Fund- \$18,376.76; First Responder Fund- \$3,990.07; Ambulance Fund- \$3,863.88. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports**

Jason Jager, Fire Chief, reported that calls were up this month, total of 30. Truck 671 had plug installed by C-Comm. Flow test is scheduled for April 28. MFRs are up to date.

AJ Broe, Cemetery Sexton was absent.

Dick Hutchins, PC Representative, reported that the Planning Commission met on March 25 for the Public Hearing on the proposed Zoning Ordinance update. He summarized the big changes

## **APPROVED**

with the addition of the Glenn Hamlett and Glenn Residential districts, changes to who controls Solar farms and the change to the minimum Agriculture acreage to 5 acres.

### **Unfinished Business -None**

### **New Business**

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the Firefighter and First Responder application from Michelle Green. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Phelps seconded, to accept the quote from Fence Consultants of West Michigan to furnish and install the North boundary fence at Pier Cove Park in the amount of \$1,588.00. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to reappoint Edward Gregory to the Planning Commission term ending April 12, 2028. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to appoint James Crosser to the Board of Review as an Alternate term ending April 8, 2027. Motion carried.

Hebert offered up the resolution, seconded by Reimink, to approve the adoption of the new Zoning Ordinance including the rezoning of the Glenn area from Commercial to Glenn Hamlet Neighborhood Residential District and the Glenn Hamlet Mixed-Use District. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins-Y, Reimink-Y, Hebert-Y, Phelps-Y, Thompson-Y. (5/0)

Hebert offered up, seconded by Phelps, the resolution of support for 123NET's Application for the Broadband Equity Access & Deployment (BEAD) Grant Program toward the Allegan County Broadband Wired Infrastructure Expansion Project. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins-Y, Reimink-Y, Hebert-Y, Phelps-Y, Thompson-Y. (5/0)

Hebert approved, seconded by Reimink to approve to send a letter of support for Frontier's application for a BEAD grant. Motion carried.

### **Public Comments-**

Diane Broekhuis asked if the township would be installing a fence on the south side of Pier Cove Park. She also asked if it was the intent to clear cut all of the trees and if trees would be replaced, what kind would they be.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn meeting at 7:30 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Phelps, Ganges Twp Clerk