

**GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES OF AUGUST 12, 2025**

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

Reimink moved, Phelps seconded, to approve the agenda dated 8/12/25 as presented with the addition of 9D. EMS Update. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Email from Lori Buchel concerning speed on the Lakeshore Dr.

Email from Sue Mackey with questions about the Consent Judgment.

Email from Sue Mackey with a follow up question on the Consent Judgement.

Email from Susan Aller concerning Blight, Zoning and Property taxes.

Email from Joe and Mary Lavery filing a complaint on Campit because of noise.

Email from Sue Mackey following up on the email from Joe and Mary Lavery.

Public Comments

Brad Lubbers, County Commissioner, gave a report on Parks Funding, a FEMA exercise at Holtec, the 25th Anniversary of County Transportation, County passed their Audit, and Tire Recycling in the area.

Sue Mackey, 6645 Foote Trail, wanted to follow up on correspondence sent April 29, concerning Tasha's Noise Complaint Final Warning and where does that stand? Have any citations been issued mentioned in the 2005 Consent Judgment and recent events are a clear violation. And asked how has that been addressed?

Pam Daly, 6223 122nd Avenue, expressed concern about sub divisions going in, is the township concerned and does the township have anything to say about it?

Marsha Maslanka, 1811 66th St, asked for a copy of the moratorium and had questions about Saugatuck Meadows and felt they should be included. She also encouraged the township to include them in the moratorium. She discussed Campit enforcement matters and expressed that there should be consequences.

Aaron Kronemeyer, 6556 118th Ave, asked about continuing to call with complaints. Also, commented on construction vehicles using his property.

Kim Mannion, 6611 Deer Trail, asked what we need to do to get a code enforcement officer?

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Greg Greiner, 1748 Blue Star Hwy, asked if any inspections had been done at Campit, and who does it. The campground is using our resources.

Carol Lavery, 6518 120th Avenue, with questions about a house being built down the street.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 7/8/25. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 7/31/25 as follows:

General Fund	\$526,370.59
Ambulance Fund	\$32,818.99
Fire Fund	\$594,248.70
First Responders	\$157,820.72
Road Fund	\$308,256.99
CD	\$514,622.07

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

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 08/12/2025 as presented from the following funds: General Fund-\$137,249.62; Fire Fund-\$6,514.97; First Responder Fund-\$1,182.45; Ambulance Fund-\$4095.71 . Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Fire Dept and First Responders- Chief Jager reported 29 calls for the month.

Cemeteries and Parks-Sexton AJ Broe Absent, Hebert reported 2 burials

Planning Commission- Dick Hutchins, Trustee reported Obbink Builders would like to put up an office building at Blue Star and 116th Avenue, and the committee is working on the Lakeshore Overlay District.

EMS-Trustee Dick Hutchins reported there was an increase of \$235.22/month which is a 6% increase in the EMS bill.

Unfinished Business-None

New Business

Hebert moved, Phelps seconded, to approve the quote from Southwest Lawn Care for \$1,500 to put in a mulch path at Pier Cove Park. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the quote from Fence Consultants of West Michigan for \$2,201 to remove and repair the fence to the North of Pier Cove Park. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve adding a 2nd Portable Restroom at Pier Cove Park. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the transition to Bauckham Thall attorney and Chris Mihelik Code Enforcement Officer. Motion carried.

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Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve Recording Secretary pay to \$50/meeting and \$200/minutes for the Planning Commission and \$50/meeting and \$300/minutes for the ZBA. Motion carried with Phelps abstaining.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded to approve the Outdoor Entertainment Permit Application from Cranes. Motion carried.

Public Comments-

Xynia Pallus, 2007 62nd Street, asked what state section of the Michigan Legislature does the Township follow regarding property taxes.

Dale Pierson, 6264 118th Avenue, made the announcement that the Planning Commission regarding Saugatuck Meadows would be Wednesday at Glenn Hall. Shared concerns with Tasha and thanked the audience for continuing to attend the meetings. Also, suggested a raise for PC and ZBA members.

Greg Greiner, 1748 Blue Star Hwy, commented that the Planning Commission report was inadequate.

Marsha Maslanka, 1811 66th st, had questions about law enforcement and reported that the neighbor had a semi parked in the yard. Do their taxes reflect this?

Lane Kronemeyer, 6652 118th Avenue, supports the board's idea of hiring PCI and the township board should get ahead of the Short Term Rentals and suggests hiring an outside inspector to inspect Campit.

Andy Murch, 2384 Lakeshore Dr, Pier Cove Park expressed concerns with port o jons and parking.

Greg Greiner, 1748 Blue Star Hwy, concerned on how MTS gets paid and believes its a conflict of interest.

Sue Mackey, 6645 Foote Trail, asked how long it would take to get a new attorney up to speed. Expressed frustrations with no citations being issued. Asked again for the new campground to be included in the moratorium. Feels it's necessary for the Planning Commission to receive correspondence between attorneys. Feels that calling the number for complaints at Campit is a dead end.

Lana Murch, 2384 Lakeshore Dr, portable concerns at Pier Cove Park and would like to see a volunteer core to help with keeping Pier Cove

Xynia Pallus, 2007 62nd St, asked if correspondence between attorneys was public

Kim Mannion, 6611 Deer trail, asked how to access string of emails between the sheriff's dept. and the Township.

Ernie Kestler, 2173 66th St, asked about the PC meeting being on Wednesday and wondered how he could find out about township happenings.

Aaron Kronemeyer, 6652 118th Avenue, MTS question all or nothing on their contract

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Lane Kronemeyer, 6652 118th Avenue, addressed audience on continuing calling and emailing with complaints.

Dan Hoerig , 6505 118th Avenue, asked if they should still be calling the police department, and asked if Blueberry Lane was an Air B n B

Diana Ayari, 1708 65th St, asked where the PC meeting will be held and what date also asked about when the vote would be on the campground. She also asked about handicapped access at County Park.

Kim Mannion, 6611 Deer trail, commented on STRs and asked if we can get Joey Andrews involved.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded the adjournment of the meeting at 8:09pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Phelps, Ganges Twp Clerk