

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

9/16/2025

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Laureto at 7:30 PM. The meeting was held in the Glen Arbor Township Meeting Room.

Roll Call – J. DePuy, P. Laureto, D. Lewis, and T. Laureto present; B. Hawley absent. Chief Ferguson and 5 members of the public were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was presented and amended. **Motion, D. Lewis support J. DePuy, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.**

All board members stated they had no conflict of interest with any items on the agenda.

Public Comment: none

Minutes of the 8/19/25 Regular Board Meeting were presented. **Motion D. Lewis, support J. DePuy, to approve the minutes of the 8/19/25 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Minutes of the 9/10/25 Special Board Meeting were presented. **Motion J. DePuy, support D. Lewis, to approve the minutes of the 9/10/25 Special Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Minutes of the 9/10/25 GLFD Public Budget Hearing were presented. **Motion P. Laureto, support D. Lewis, to approve the minutes of the 9/10/25 GLFD Public Budget Hearing as presented amended. Motion carried unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report as of 8/31/25 – Cash on Hand by Fund Balance was presented

General Fund	\$ 935,019.99	Park Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,489.01
Emergency Services Fund	\$3,773,358.04	Fisher Lake SAD Fund	\$ 49,681.43
GLFD Debt Service Fund	\$ 9,056.41	Tax Collection Fund	\$2,258,221.77

Emergency Services Advisory Commission Report – Clerk Laureto reported that ESAC met and reviewed the monthly checklist and payroll and recommended that the Township Board pay the unpaid checks and payroll. ESAC also recommended that the Township Board approved the proposed FY 27 Budget which appears further down the agenda.

Clerk's Report – The General Fund bills from August 20, 2025 through September 16, 2025 totaled \$17,642.08 and the August payroll, was \$21,629.77. **Motion J. DePuy, support D. Lewis, to approve payment of the General Fund bills and payroll. Motion carried unanimously.**

Emergency Services bills from August 13, 2025 through September 9, 2025 totaled \$120,264.64. The August payroll was \$109,087.05. The Clerk informed the board that the new ladder truck invoice for \$1,533,199.00 was paid. The payment reflected a \$66,981.00 prepayment discount. **Motion D. Lewis, support P. Laureto, to approve the payment of the Emergency Services bills and payroll. Motion carried unanimously.**

Fire Chief Operations Report Chief Ferguson reported that the department had 73 calls in August and he believes they are track for 500 calls for the year. He and three other firefighters traveled to Wisconsin for a pre-build meeting with Pierce Fire Trucks where they went over changes to the new ladder truck. He said that the 9/11 memorial service was well attended. They had approximately 75 people in attendance.

He also met with the architect working on the possible remodel. Once the blueprints are received it will allow the department to seek bids for the project.

Zoning Administrators Report – Submitted in writing

Monthly Assessors Report – Submitted in writing

Correspondence – The August correspondence is available in the Township Office for review.

Unfinished Business

1. Security Cameras at the Boat Launch. Clerk Laureto explained that a grant request has been submitted to our insurance company for a Risk Reduction Grant to help fund the security camera project. She reviewed the quotes for various aspects of the project and described her meeting with TKS Security, Eclipse Communication, Advantage Electric, and LeBear Resort, all organizations that will have a part in this project. She shared information received from the Road Commission regarding the project and the potential for them to install a weather station as part of the project. **Motion P. Laureto, support D. Lewis, to proceed with the Security Camera Project not to exceed \$10,811.00 and to authorize the Supervisor to sign the updated quotes. Motion carried unanimously.**
2. Clerk Laureto read Resolution No. 14-2025 to transfer funds from the Park Debt Service to the Public Safety Building Debt Service. **Motion D. Lewis, support J. DePuy to adopt Resolution No. 14-2025. Roll call vote. Voting Aye: D. Lewis, J. DePuy, P. Laureto, T. Laureto; nay: none; Absent: B. Hawley. The Supervisor declared the resolution passed.**

New Business

1. Supervisor Laureto distributed a comparison of authorized tax rates for fiscal years 23 through 26 and presented his proposed tax rates for FY27. **Motion D. Lewis, support P. Laureto, to authorize the supervisor submit the proposed tax rates on the L-4029 Tax Rate Request form. Motion carried unanimously.**
2. Supervisor Laureto Reviewed FY25 GLFD reconciliation with Empire Township. The reconciliation was reviewed with Empire and also the Emergency Services Advisory Commission (ESAC). **Motion T. Laureto, support J. DePuy, to invoice Empire Township for \$26,307.81. Motion carried unanimously.**
3. Chief Ferguson reviewed the GLFD FY27 proposed budget, the subject of the 9/10/25 Public Budget Hearing. **Motion J. DePuy, support D. Lewis, to adopt the Glen Lake Fire Departments proposed FY27 budget. Motion carried unanimously.**
4. Clerk Laureto reviewed her conversation with Brendan Mullane, manager of Leelanau County Road Commission. He wanted to know if the board had any objections to the bridge work on County Road 675 continue on to Bridge #2 during the winter instead of waiting to next fall. All board members expressed support for working on Bridge #2 over the winter months.

Planning Commission Report: No planning commission report due to B. Hawley's absence.

Public Comment: a member of the public spoke about people walking in Oak Street near M-22 and requested the Township Board to consider putting in a sidewalk at that area.

Board Member Comments: J. DePuy and P. Laureto gave updates on B. Hawley

Supervisor Comments: Asked the Fire Chief when the Empire Heritage Days and Station 2 open house were occurring.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Laureto
Township Clerk

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