

ST. IGNACE TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2026

The regular meeting of the St. Ignace Township Board of Trustees was held on June 10, 2026, at the Township Hall. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Danielson.

Present: Supervisor Danielson, Clerk Oja, Treasurer Goudreau, Trustee Mitchell, Trustee Frazier

Absent: None

Agenda: Motion by Goudreau, supported by Oja, to add Jonathan Scheel to Old Business to address the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Minutes: Clerk Oja submitted the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on May 13, 2026. Motion by Danielson, supported by Mitchell, to amend the minutes removing a sentence in the public comment that was incorrect. Motion carried. Clerk Oja will amend the minutes.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Goudreau submitted the Treasurers Report for May. Motion made by Danielson, supported by Oja, to accept the Treasurers report as presented. Motion carried.

Clerk Report: Clerk Oja submitted the June expenses for approval:

General Fund:	\$4,692.98	Payroll:	\$7,569.01
Road Fund:	\$0.00		
Recreation Fund:	\$0.00	MI w/h Tax:	\$0.00
Sewer Fund:	\$357.79	FICA Tax:	\$1,167.24
Total:	\$5,050.77		

Motion by Goudreau, supported by Frazier, to accept the expenses as submitted. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Report: None

Old Business:

Jonathan Scheel – Planning Commission Update

Jonathan Scheel, from UP North Planning, updated the Board on the progress of the Planning Commission and the blight in the township that has been addressed. He stated the Planning Commission currently has three members. Another member of the Board can sit in on the Planning Commission meetings.

New Business:

Ryan Sigmon – St Ignace Pickleball Project

DDA Director, Ryan Sigmon, presented the Board with information regarding the new pickleball courts that they are trying to build by the Little Bear. They have raised over 36,000 of the 50,000 needed to start the project, which has a total cost of \$150,000. There is a MEDC match program also. Ryan stated he can give the Board any figures they need regarding how the funds are spent.

Motion by Goudreau, supported by Mitchell to contribute \$5,000.00 from St. Ignace Township for the project. Roll call vote: Yes – Oja, Goudreau, Mitchell, Frazier, Danielson. No – none. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Position

Supervisor Danielson recommended Matt Oja as the new Zoning Administrator, taking the place of Dean O'Brien, who resigned in May.

Motion by Danielson, supported by Frazier, to approve the hiring of Matt Oja as the new Zoning Administrator for St. Ignace Township, effective immediately, with a salary of \$6,800 annually. Motion carried.

MI Fire Equipment Grant Program – Letter of Support

The St. Ignace Fire Department Chief, Nick Montie, requested the Board approve a letter of support needed for the St. Ignace Fire Department to apply for the MI Fire Equipment Grant Program.

Motion by Goudreau, supported by Oja to approve the letter of support for St. Ignace Fire Dept applying for the MI Fire Equipment Grant Program. Motion carried..

Correspondence: Supervisor Danielson updated the Board on the GFL Station in St. Ignace. He attended a meeting with the City, Brevort Township and Moran Township on what it would cost to open the facility. The portion they are requesting from St. Ignace Township is \$2,280. Dirt and sand piles were placed in Township Cemetery for filling and finishing gravesites. Jonathan Scheel informed the Board on the data centers that are appearing around the state and country.

Public Comment: None

Adjourn:

Motion made by Danielson, supported by Goudreau, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sheri Oja, Clerk

Date