

Minutes of Mikado Township Board Meeting
September 16, 2025

Supervisor Craig Ostby called the Mikado Township Board Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center. He welcomed the ten (10) guests that were present and joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to our National Flag.

Roll call showed Supervisor Ostby, Clerk Sands, Treasurer Harmon, Trustee Nedo and Trustee Mullins present. No one was absent.

Motion by Mullins/Nedo to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment opened at 7:02 p.m. and closed at 7:04 p.m. Comments were heard from two individuals.

Motion by Mullins/Harmon to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2025 as presented. Motion carried.

The Financial Report for August 2025 was given by Treasurer Harmon as follows:

*GENERAL FUND Regular Shares-\$5.00, Savings-\$55,421.11, CD \$21,229.00, Checking-\$742.64. Total \$77,397.75

*ROAD MIF Savings-\$8,637.95, CD \$20,202.61. Total \$28,840.56

*FIRE MIF Savings-\$162,046.95, CD \$10,614.53 Total \$172,661.48

*CC MIF Savings-\$58,325.65

*TAX ACCOUNT-Tax Collection Checking \$3,772.79 Tax Collection Over/Under \$1,089.71 Total \$4,862.50

Motion by Mullins/Nedo to accept the Financial Report of August as presented. Motion Carried.

An Amendment to the Budget was necessary. In the General Fund we will add \$93,600.00 to the Revenues and Expenses transferred from the Civic Center Fund to cover the parking lot improvements. Also, in the General Fund we will transfer from contingency \$150.00 to Ball Diamond #1 and \$120.00 to Civic Center Fund to cover mowing expenses. Motion by Mullins/Nedo to adopt Budget Amendment #2025-2026.02 regarding the above mentioned transactions. Roll call Vote-Harmon-yes, Nedo-yes, Ostby-yes, Sands-yes, Mullins-yes. Budget Amendment adopted.

Motion by Harmon/Mullins to approve the Bills presented in the amount of \$13,567.21. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

District 3 County Commissioner: Commissioner Carolyn Brummund of District #3 was not present. She gave us a written report of what is happening at the County level.

Assessor: Nancy Schwickert was present. She reviewed the sales racial from the County and it appears it will be increased 11% for 2026.

Roads & Bridges: Supervisor Ostby mentioned that we received no word for the Cruzen Road Bridge repair. The Road Commission did some road repair in the Pine River Sub.

Fire Chief: FC Wayne Odell was present and mentioned that the FD responded to 17 calls in August. He further mentioned that Morton Buildings gave a price on the 42 X 50 X 16' pole barn of \$189,084.00. Short discussion.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: OEO John Moran made comments. Three cases were closed. A couple of cases will be reviewed with the supervisor after the meeting.

Planning Commission: Trustee Mullins reported that the quarterly PC meeting was held on September 4th at 6:00. P.M. with very little business. Their next quarterly meeting will be held on December 4th at 6:00 p.m.

UPDATES:

Supervisor Ostby mentioned that Trans Auto Glass of Oscoda had not replaced the door window on the east side of the civic center yet.

The parking lot at the Civic Center is still being worked on.

The air conditioning for the CC in the big room unit 1 has been repaired. Waiting on unit 2 to be rewired.

PENDING BUSINESS:

Discussion was held on the Kahn Store/Extension of Bruce Park property. We would like to have a brainstorm discussion on plans for the area after the demolition. There are some interesting items listed in the Master Plan. Perhaps have a public hearing on December 4th to hear what the public may want to have there. Craig will talk to our lady that is helping with the grant for Kahn's to see if this time will be sufficient.

Three of our Board Members will attend MTA retreats for board members, Supervisor Ostby 10/14, 15, Clerk Sands and Deputy Clerk Reames 9/29, 30 Treasurer Harmon 10/1, 2. To save traveling in the early hours both Craig and Rita added a room to their reservation and reimbursed the township the cost of that room with the amount taken out of their monthly pay.

Two (2) bids were received for the plowing of the Civic Center and the Fire Hall parking lots. Motion by Mullins/Nedo to accept the bid of Owen Sauve for the plowing and shoveling (or snow blowing) of all walkways at the Civic Center on a 1" to 3" snowfall, the sum of one hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$137.00) per time, on a 3" to 6" snowfall, the sum of one hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$187.00) per time, on a 6" to 8" snowfall, two hundred and thirty-seven dollars (\$237.00) per time and on an 8" or higher snowfall, two hundred sixty-eight dollars (\$268.00) per time and at the Fire Hall for 4" to 6" Sixty-two dollars (\$62.00) per time, for 6" to 8" snowfall seventy-four dollars (\$74.00) per time and for a 8" and above snowfall, eighty-seven dollars (\$87.00) per time. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Goodfellows had requested that the Township waive all rental fees for Memorial/Funeral dinners. This discussion will take place next month.

The Goodfellows requested air conditioning be installed in the kitchen. It was mentioned that air exchangers are used for cooling in the kitchen and that unit would be very expensive. Discussion to be held next month.

Supervisor Ostby mentioned that a handyman would be nice to have for needed repairs not only

at the Civic Center but also other areas of township property. It was mentioned that perhaps a fireman or other employee would be interested because they are already an established employee and on the payroll. Motion by Harmon/Mullins to give Supervisor Ostby the authority to interview and discuss fees with township employees for this maintenance man position. Motion carried. Results of his interviews will be discussed next month.

Supervisor Ostby suggested that we look into the cost of other trash disposal companies for our needs at the Civic Center. Waste Management is getting out of hand with their prices. Supervisor Ostby will check around the area for prices. Motion by Harmon/Nedo to have Supervisor Ostby change to Travis Sanitation at a price of \$155.00 per month for weekly pick-up or whoever he sees better for our needs. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Discussion and comments were made on the former Wurtsmith Bombing and Gunnery Range that each board member had received written information on.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Nedo/Mullins we adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Orders 22900 - 22939 were presented and paid.

Receipts 233 - 245 were received and recorded.

Rita D. Sands, Clerk

Craig Ostby, Supervisor

Motion to accept by: _____ Seconded by : _____ Date: _____