

COLDWATER TOWNSHIP BOARD
319 SPRAGUE RD., COLDWATER, MI 49036
Regular Meeting
May 12, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.

Opening and Roll Call

The meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Supervisor Rogers

Present: Supervisor Rogers, Treasurer Sowles, Clerk Gilchrist **Absent:** Trustee Short, Trustee Clayman, Z.A., Gatke

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Commissioner Houtz led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Approval of Agenda

Supervisor Rogers amended the agenda to include the L-4029 Tax Rate.

Treasurer Sowles moved, supported by Clerk Gilchrist, to approve the agenda. **Motion Carried**

Elected Officials' Comments

Commissioner John Houtz updated the Board with the status of the County Courthouse renovation was near completion and the entire City of Coldwater has fiber optics.

Public Comment

- Anita Hoyt inquired about the language used between the Township and the solar companies.

Approve Minutes - April 14, 2025

Treasurer Sowles moved, supported by Clerk Gilchrist to approve the April 14, 2025 minutes. **Motion Carried.**

List of Bills and Accounts for Payment

Clerk Gilchrist presented the list of bills to be paid in the amount of \$17,610.95. Clerk Gilchrist moved, supported by Treasurer Sowles to pay the list of bills. **Motion Carried.**

Reports

- **Treasurer: Report:** Received
- **Zoning Administrator Report:** Received
- **Planning Commission:** April 29, 2025 meeting agenda included

New Business

- **2025 L-4029 Tax Rate-Millage.**

Supervisor Rogers presented the Board with the 2025 Millage rate received from the County Equalization Department. The 2025 Township millage rate will be 0.9194.

Announcements

- **Building Remodel Update:** The building renovation is on schedule. The footings and foundation are poured/complete. Inside demolition is underway in preparation for the exterior wall demolition.
- **BS&A Update:** Clerk Gilchrist is working through the final details of the contract regarding training days and implementation of the software and the fees associated with it.

Public Comment

Audience member said she had heard Sen. John Lindsey is leading the way in Lansing to regain local control of renewable energy projects.

Another member of the audience voiced her concerns over solar fires and fire prevention.

Adjournment

5:51 PM