

HOMER TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2026

420 S. Hillsdale St.

Homer, MI 49245

Budget Hearing

The budget hearing was opened at 6:04 PM by Supervisor Wildt, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing – Township Budget and Fire Assessment

Property Tax Millage Rate: 0.9016

Fire Millage: 1.00

Motion by Leach to accept the proposed operating millage rate of 0.9016 and fire millage of 1.00. Supported by Landis. No discussion. Motion carried.

Motion by Koch to adjourn the budget hearing. Supported by Leach. No discussion. Motion carried.

The budget hearing was adjourned at 6:09 PM.

Regular Meeting

Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order by Supervisor Wildt.

Roll Call

Present: Todd Wildt, Todd Landis, Ron Giacobassi, Anne Leach, Amanda Koch, Erich Gilg, Donald Hawkins

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

None.

Public Comment

Gary Tompkins addressed the Board regarding the L Drive and 25 ½ Mile Road bridge replacement project proposed for 2026. The County has expressed interest in completing both bridges simultaneously. Mr. Tompkins also submitted a letter of support advocating for the replacement of the 29 Mile Road bridge in 2026.

General Business

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Landis, supported by Leach, to approve the minutes from the Jarvis/CD special meeting as presented. No discussion. Motion carried.

Motion by Giacobassi, supported by Leach, to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. No discussion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Landis, supported by Koch, to accept the February Treasurer's Report as presented, with total funds of \$2,225,797.95, including \$480,484.69 in the tax checking account. Discussion: Supervisor Wildt inquired about deposit frequency. Treasurer Leach stated deposits are typically made every two weeks. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Giacobassi, supported by Landis, to accept the March Treasurer's Report as presented, with total funds of \$2,367,072.56, including \$604,226.76 in the tax checking account. No discussion. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills

Motion by Landis, supported by Giacobassi, to approve payment of township bills in the amount of \$16,561.54. No discussion. Motion carried.

Reports

Cemetery Report

Four (4) burials and four (4) graves sold were reported. It was noted that an interment was mistakenly placed on the incorrect side of a foundation. Mr. Hawkins indicated the cost to correct the issue is expected to be minimal; however, no estimate was available at this time.

Zoning Administrator Report

No zoning applications were received.

Board and Committee Reports

Board of Review: Two (2) residents attended.

Planning Commission: Nothing to report.

Homer Area Fire Authority: Nothing to report.

Lake Board: A three-year contract with PLM was approved. Two dock companies are preparing quotes for the Lake Board.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Nothing to report.

Road Committee: The Board continues to evaluate assessment and millage options. Giacobassi and Wildt will contact interested residents regarding formation of a road committee and will report back at the next meeting.

Election Report: Clerk Gilg has completed required training and will deliver ballot containers to the County for certification. Additional training is scheduled for April 15. Mr. Gilg will also work an election in Battle Creek to gain further experience.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Resolution 2-2026 – 2025/2026 Budget Amendments: Motion by Leach, supported by Landis. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 3-2026 – Supervisor Salary: Motion by Landis, supported by Koch. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 4-2026 – Clerk Salary: Motion by Landis, supported by Leach. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 5-2026 – Treasurer Salary: Motion by Landis, supported by Giacobassi. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 6-2026 – Meeting Dates: Motion by Leach, supported by Koch. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 7-2026 – Misc. Positions and Mileage: Motion by Leach, supported by Giacobassi. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 8-2026 – Trustee Compensation: Motion by Leach, supported by Koch. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution 9-2026 – General Appropriations Act: Motion by Landis, supported by Giacobassi. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Communications

Tire Collection Grant: Clerk Koch will apply for a community tire collection event.

Calhoun County 911 Agreement: Proposed changes are forthcoming. Comments due by April 30.

Adjournment

Motion by Koch, supported by Leach, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Minutes submitted respectfully,

Amanda Koch, Clerk