UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL LAKE TOWNSHIP
Wednesday, May 20, 2026, 7 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Byard at 7 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

3. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Trustees Bean and Hanlon, Treasurer Germain, Clerk Kosloski, Supervisor Bean.
ALSO PRESENT: Under Sheriff Lassiter, Commissioner Rubingh, Fire Chief Chapman

5. **AGENDA ADDITIONS** - None

6. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Kosloski, support by Hanlon to approve the Agenda as presented.
Voice vote. All vote AYE. Motion carries.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2026

Motion by Kosloski, support by Hanlon to approve the minutes of April 15, 2026 as presented.
Voice vote. All vote AYE. Motion carries.

8. APPROVE INVOICES IN THE AMOUNT OF $41,029.69

Motion by Germain, support by Hanlon to approve invoices in the amount of $41,029.69.
Roll call vote. All vote AYE. Motion carries.

9. OFFICERS REPORTS

a. * Sheriff and County Commissioner (Can be heard earlier if needed)

Under Sheriff Lassiter presented the monthly activity report and gave an update on the Department.
Commissioner Rubingh gave his monthly report.

b Fire Chief Bill Chapman – The report for April 2026 was given stating there were a total of 31 alarms which consisted of 12 fire calls, 19 rescue runs and four mutual aid assists. Training occurred in truck maintenance, EMS and drivers training as well as incident command. There were several assists to remove debris from waterways in Bellaire due to the flooding and rising water.

c. Treasurer Larry Germain – The April 2026 monthly report was presented.

d. Clerk Judy Kosloski – The Clerk reported on the extremely low turnout for the Char-Em School Election. There were only 66 in person voters out of 1,998 registered voters! She mailed 554 absentee ballots and 303 were returned. Over 35 ballots were returned because residents had not yet returned for the season and they do not have addresses, telephone numbers or email addresses on file where they can be contacted to ensure they have their ballots directed to them wherever they are. The Post Office, by law, cannot forward election mail.

e. **Supervisor Mark Byard –** He has topics that will be discussed during the meeting.

10. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. **Waste Receiving Station –** No issues.
b. **Cemetery** – Nothing to report.
c. **Facilities** – Nothing to report.
d. **Access Sites –** Some of the split rail fences are in need of repair but with the price of lumber and building supplies in general another cost saving method to mark property lines will be discussed. The site on Lake Street has a wash out and needs to be addressed. Hanlon and Byard will visit the site and advise.

Motion by Hanlon support by Kosloski to approve the purchase of gravel up top $500 after it is determined if that is in fact Township property or private property.
Roll call vote. All vote YES. Motion carries.

11. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. **Master Plan (requested by Supervisor)**

The Supervisor again brought up reintroducing a Master Plan for the Township. Members of the Board stated they do not feel there is a need for a Plan as the Township is not zoned.

Motion by Germain, support by Kosloski not to pursue reintroducing a Master Plan for the Township
ROLL CALL VOTE: NO: Bean, Germain, Kosloski, Hanlon YES: Byard
Motion to not pursue a Master Plan carries.

b. **Nuisance Ordinance (Enforcement)(requested by Supervisor)**

The properties located on Rushton Road and Ogle Tree Creek Road were again discussed. The owners of both of these properties have been contacted and there was movement at both to begin cleaning up. The owner of the Ogle Tree Creek property attended a Board Meeting and advised he is unhealthy and his family was not interested in taking the property over; however, that activity stopped for some reason and the property is back to being in an increased state of disrepair. Residents spoke on that state of disrepair. There is someone interested in building a home across the street from this address and the condition of that property is of great concern to him. They are concerned that the property has a trout stream located on it but the Township has no authority at all over that waterway. They need to take that concern to the DNR for handling. Members of the Board stated they would visit the site and attempt to make contact with the owner to discuss why the cleanup was not completed. The Rushton Road property appears to be vacant, but that, too, will be visited.

The Supervisor had a copy of the Enforcement Ordinance that Star Township uses and asked if the Board thought it would be a good idea to have our legal counsel incorporate it into our Ordinance. The Board advised our ordinance was just updated by legal counsel and rather to incur costly legal expense make our ordinance work as it stands. No further action will be taken at this time.

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Matthew Cooke – Solid Waste – NO SHOW**

b. **Recycling Containers (requested by Supervisor) Again**, it was pointed out that the recycling program belongs to the County, not the Township. At the last meeting, the new Director of the Program stated that they are putting a fence up at another site that basically has the same problem all sites do. The users of the bins don't read how to recycle, refuse to break down their boxes and even though the bin is full will put their recycling in and around the bins or on top. The users of the facility will just throw the recyclables over the fence. The owners

of the company, GFL, are always short on drivers so pick up isn't consistent. There are no lids on the containers and weather affects the material blowing around the grounds.

c. Pete Hoogerhyde, Star Twp. Fire Chief (regarding Tanker Firetruck)

Members of the Star Township Fire Department were present. Discussion occurred on the Township giving our older tanker to them or letting them use it until they can afford to purchase a truck or to sell it for $1. Some Board members did not agree with either of these plans. On further discussion, the Star Township members agreed to purchase that truck for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00).

Motion by Bean, support by Hanlon to sell the truck our Department is not using to Star Township for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00) after appropriate insurance is purchased and title transferred.
Roll call vote. All vote AYE. Motion carries.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes)

There were questions about the status of the dam and information on the Special Assessment District. Commissioner Rubingh advised the Dam Director has been extremely busy with the recent flooding and the condition of the dam but will contact her.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before this Board the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Judy Kosloski, Clerk