

# Boyne Valley Township Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025– 7:00 p.m.

*This meeting is a meeting of the Boyne Valley Township Board in public for the purpose of conducting the township's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.*

## Agenda

<b>I. Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order by Sparks, at 7 p.m.
<b>II. Roll Call</b>	Members Present: Matelski, Kondrat, Fitzgerald, Sparks, Skop Members Absent: None Others Present: Russ Koeman, Kevin Keller, Larry Organek, Darren Easton, Kathee Harmon
<b>III. Approval of Minutes and Corrections</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Motion by Kondrat, supported by Matelski to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 13, 2025.</li></ul> Motion Carried 5 to 0.
<b>IV. Approval of Financial Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Motion by Matelski, support by Fitzgerald to approve the financial report for January 31, 2025. Motion Carried 5 to 0.</li></ul>
<b>V. Recognition of Audience</b>	Kathee Harmon gave a discussion about her project in declaring the farm, originally owned by Joseph Harmon, as a Centennial Farm.
<b>VI. Ambulance Report</b>	No changes to report
<b>VII. Fire &amp; Rescue Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Driver's Education Program – Risk Management for assistance</li><li>Fire Captain needs to be appointed</li><li>Large snow banks around fire and rescue. May need to move some of the snow with a loader. Same problem at transfer station. May need to move dumpsters around at transfer station due to snow. Or, wait it out...Spring is coming!</li><li>The First department displayed some of the equipment purchased with the generous donation from Sue Henning in honor of the memory of her husband, Dave Henning. Thank you Sue!</li><li>A few firefighters live a significant distance from the fire station and may need to be removed from department roster.</li></ul>
<b>VIII.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Zoning Administrator Report</b> Zoning Ordinance # 12025 was voted and approved unanimously. Need to include Ag Forest in zoning variance.</li></ul>
<b>IX. Township Officers' Salary Resolution</b>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This resolution, offered by board member Sparks concerned board member salaries for 2025.</li> <li>• Upon a roll call vote, the following voted:  Matelski: yes  Kondrat: yes  Fitzgerald: yes  Sparks: yes  Skop: yes</li> <li>• Salary Resolution Passed.</li> </ul>
<b>X.</b>	<b>Board Update</b>
	a. Budget Workshop Dates
	b. Budget Updates
	c. Charlevoix County Parks Grant Resolution
	d. Other
<b>XI.</b>	<b>Building and Grounds</b>
	Library awning fell off, will be stored until spring.
<b>XII.</b>	<b>Planning Report</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Master plan development in process</li> </ul>
<b>XIII.</b>	<b>Transfer Station Report</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Snow is piling up at the transfer station. A suggestion had been made to get a loader for snow removal, which costs money. Second option is to move containers to accommodate the snow. Third option is wait it out, spring is coming.</li> </ul>
<b>XIV.</b>	<b>Public Comments</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Larry Organek gave a brief discussion about the village pond development project. Zoom meeting on Thursday with Conservation Resource Alliance about a feasibility study.</li> </ul>
<b>XV.</b>	<b>Pay the Bills</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion by Sparks, support by Kondrat to approve the payment of the February bills. Motion Carried 5 to 0.</li> </ul>
<b>XVI.</b>	<b>Assessor Update</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kevin provided a summary report concerning taxable value increases in the Boyne Valley over the years.</li> </ul>
<b>XVII.</b>	<b>Closed Session</b>
	Motion by Sparks, support by Fitzgerald to enter into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(h) to consider attorney-client privileged material exempt from discussion or disclosure by the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (MCL 15.243(1)(g)) at 7:51 p.m. Motion carried 5to 0.

Resume open session 8:07

**XVIII. Adjournment**

Motion by Sparks, supported by Fitzgerald to adjourn at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Skop  
Clerk