Budget Workshop for Vernon Township Board February 10, 2025 6801 S Durand Rd, Durand, MI 48429

Present: Supervisor Bert DeClerg, Clerk Susan Bannister, Treasurer Mary Jane Edwards, Trustee Janet Sprague, and Trustee Nathan Charles. Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

The budget was reviewed and discussed. The proposed budget for the budget hearing in March is as follows:

General fund revenues are \$626.323.06, and expenditures are \$702,850.00. Fire fund revenues are \$278,167.06, and expenditures are \$292,105.00. Ambulance fund revenues are \$262130.00, and expenditures are \$286,020.00. Refuse fund revenues are \$269,000.00, and expenditures are \$269,000.00. R&I fund revenues are \$50.00, and expenditures are \$0. All funds balance shows revenues are \$1,485,670.12 and expenditures are \$1,549,975.00.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Susan Bannister Vernon Township Clerk

Regular Meeting Vernon Township Board February 10, 2025

Present: Supervisor Bert DeClerg, Clerk Susan Bannister, Treasurer Mary Jane Edwards, Trustee Janet Sprague, and Trustee Nathan Charles. Absent: None

The meeting was called to order, with the Pledge being said at 7:00 pm.

The agenda was presented and approved, with no changes.

The regular township board meeting minutes of January 13, 2025, were approved with changes.

Fire Chief Dan Bannister presented the fire report. The following motions were approved.

- Motion to approve the fire report.
- Motion to promote Matthew Harwood to Captain of EMS.
- Motion to adopt NFPA 1 as the standard for the fire department.
- Motion to allow the fire department to apply for the 100-club grant for an AED and boots. The AED is \$2,500.00 and the boots are \$2,200.00.

There was no Zoning Board of Appeals meeting in January 2025.

The Planning Commission met and discussed the rezoning of Holiday Shores/Leisure Lake, Lucky's Pets and Durand Lanes. No decision was made in any discussion.

The building report was reviewed and approved. For January, there were ten permits totaling \$1,475.00.

The Ambulance report was presented. Janet Sprague is requesting to be removed from this board. Any Vernon Township resident may apply through the clerk's office.

The Sheriff's report was presented. There were 164 incidents in December 2025.

The clerk reported on items related to her office, including ESTA, the potential Byron Schools election, and the appointment of Connie Hilliker as deputy clerk. The clerk was also permitted to dispose of old electronic devices that do not contain township data.

Old Business:

The fire department presented its request to purchase a new fire truck. The township board approved the purchase of a new Engine at the cost of \$653,000.00. This purchase will be made through a loan with Community Leasing and include a \$100,000.00 downpayment.

The township board approved the adoption of resolution 01-2025, which is the Resolution to Establish a Schedule of Cemetery rates.

New Business:

The budget hearing will be on Monday, March 10, 2025, at 6:30 pm

Bills were presented and approved.

The meeting was adjourned. Susan Bannister, Township Clerk