

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace Michigan.

AGENDA:

1. Pledge~Minutes~Treasurer’s Report
2. Public Comment ~ Limit 2 minutes
3. Bill Arnold will discuss funding for the Heart of Great Turtle Island Project
4. Mark Spencer will present an update on Hi Line’s progress
5. Discuss the ad for a Sexton contracted position
6. Adopt Ordinance #64 Battery Energy Storage Systems Zoning Amendment
7. Discuss Mackinac County’s funding proposal for the Cheeseman Road GFL Transfer Station
8. Approve budget amendments
9. Set a date for a special meeting after October 13th to consider bids for the road work
10. Approve Mackinac County Local Improvement Program Intergovernmental Agreement
11. Old Business – Updates
 - a. Response from Lauren Brown about the Portable Boat Ramp
 - b. Extension of contract for the sale of U.S. 2 property by Mackinac Properties
 - c. Update on this year’s 5K Run Before the Walk
 - d. Colored map of trail expansion concepts from Jon Shubbe
 - e. The new garbage container is in place at the hill however it needed a liner
 - f. Progress of debris clean-up
 - g. Precision Edge mowed the new grass planted by Northland Service on 9/8/2025
 - h. Response from Robin Kissinger
12. New Business
 - a. Webinar and Training options available in October
13. Adjourn

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Supr Dionne, Clerk Vallier, Treas Sovey, Trustee Paquin

ABSENT: Trustee Spencer

CITIZENS: Paul & Sharon McDonald, News Reporter Erich Doerr, Zoning Admr Strich, Bill Arnold, Becky Simmons, Matt LaTour, Scott Dorenbecker and Jo Jo Visnaw.

MINUTES: MOTION BY PAQUIN , SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) THE MINUTES AND TREASURERS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2025 WAS APPROVED.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

BILL ARNOLD:

Development Director, Bill Arnold with the Michigan History Foundation was present to update on the Heart of the Great Turtle Island Project. Final fundraising goal needed for the project is \$100,000. Arnold is requesting \$10,000 for support of the project.

MOTION BY SOVEY, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO SUPPORT \$10,000 FOR SUPPLIES FOR THE PROJECT. TRUSTEE PAQUIN ABSTAINED AS HIS COMPANY IS INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT.

HI LINE'S PROGRESS:

Tabled

SEXTON'S CONTRACTED POSITION:

Tabled

ORDINANCE # 64:

MOTION BY PAQUIN, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) TO ADOPT ORDINANCE # 64, BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS ZONING AMENDMENT AS PRESENTED.

CHEESEMAN ROAD GFL TRANSFER STATION:

GFL Waste Management is planning on closing the Cheeseman Road Transfer Station on October 31, 2025. The Mackinac County Board of Commissioners believes it is in the best interest of county residents for the cities and townships most directly served by the transfer station to meet collaboratively and determine a funding plan that will ensure the station's continued operation. Supr Dionne to check with the municipalities involved and set up a meeting.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

MOTION BY PAQUIN, SECONDED BY SOVEY TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

- 1. 101-101-715 INSURANCE & BONDS - INCREASE \$1,000**
- 2. 101-567-801 CEMETERY - INCREASE \$3,000**
- 3. 101-703-703 SHORT TERM RENTALS - DEPUTY \$1,000**
- 4. 101703-702 SHORT TERM RENTALS - SALARY DECREASE \$1,000**

ROAD WORK TRAIL HEAD PARKING AREA AT DOC HOLLE'S SET MEETING:

Special meeting to be held on October 21 at noon, to look at bids received for Trail Head Parking area road work advertised at Doc Holle's Recreation Area.

