

HAYES TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
August 11th 2025 7:00 PM
HAYES TOWNSHIP HALL
09195 MAJOR DOUGLAS SLOAN RD
CHARLEVOIX, MICHIGAN 49720
ZOOM 849 2451 3210

The August 11th, 2025, meeting of the Hayes Township Board was called to order by Supervisor William Conklin at 7:00 pm.

Board members present were Matt Cunningham (Trustee), Julie Collard (Treasurer), Doug Kuebler (Trustee), William Conklin (Supervisor) and Kristin Baranski (Clerk)

Audience Members signed in: Carey Cuddeback, Diane Conklin, Stan Boris, Shelly Dorgan, Andy Balderson, Darcy Phelps, David Zipp, David Kemme, Catherine Phelps, Kevin Willis, Deb Narten, Sherry Baker-McCarey, Dee Hutchinson, LuAnne Kozma, Ellis Boal, Bill Henne, Betty Henne, CT Martin, Steve Hassell, Carol Umlor, Bob Fowler, Roy Griffiths, Katherine Simon, Linda Balderson, Leslie Cunningham, Shelly VanWart, Greta McKay, and Tim Boyko.

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor William Conklin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

NONE.

REVIEWED & APPROVED AGENDA

Ms. Baranski made a motion, supported by Mr. Cunningham to approve the agenda as presented.

Yays: Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, Doug Kuebler, and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: William Conklin Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Public comment opened and closed at 7:03.

- Stated the speed limit on Major Douglas Sloan Road already has a warning sign to slow down to 35 mph why would there be a request to raise it to 45mph by the board? Especially stopping at Maple Grove doesn't make sense with all the new residential builds happening past Maple Grove. Would like to know the average speed on Maple Grove before the board makes a decision. Feel Shrigley Road should be lowered due to it being a dead end.

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- Stated on the minutes from June 30th 2025 under the board comment it says “correspondence attached” would like to have more detail on this. Stated on June 24th 2025 Ms. Baranski emailed her and requested the financial information of the money collected during the storm clean-up. Stated now there is a police report open. Would like Bill to have a name plate that is not paper.
- Stated the Hayes Township Picnic was lovely! Found the park ground absolutely beautiful thanks to the host Becky and Greg. There were activities for all ages and was able to meet and talk to the board members. Would like to see the Township host more events like the picnic.
- Correspondence attached.
- Stated bio-engineering is needed along the shoreline due to it being very dangerous, feels the board needs to discuss grants with Tip of the Mitt. They have observed boats, coming and going, which could be a danger to swimmers. Feels two board members have very little integrity when attacking the supervisor. Feels the supervisor cares about the residents of the township and feels sorry for the supervisor having to deal with the disrespect.
- Stated the investigation made by Julie and Kristin is an attack against Bill Conklin. Feels it was a waste of the sheriff’s time.
- Stated the effort Bill Conklin made to help his neighbors and the township does not deserve the disrespect from the other board members, specifically Kristin and Julie. Would like to know if Doug, Matt or Ron VanZee had any involvement?
- Stated they are disgusted by the clerk and treasurer with their questioning of Bill Conklin’s intentions. Would like to see the clerk and treasurer resign.
- Stated the board has a lack of integrity. Stated the entire park needs safety improvements not just swim buoys.
- Stated they are disgusted with the attack on Bill Conklin.
- Stated they are speaking on behalf of Lake Charlevoix EMS, the speed limit change on Major Douglas Sloan Road could effect the EMS response time.

Closed at 7:35

APPROVAL OF JULY 14TH 2025 BOT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Conklin made a motion, supported by Ms. Baranski to approve the July 14th, 2025, Board of Trustees regular meeting minutes as amended.

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Yeas: Julie Collard, William Conklin, Matt Cunningham, Doug Kuebler, and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: None **Motion Carried**

APPROVAL OF JULY 30th 2025 BOT SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Conklin made a motion, supported by Mr. Kuebler to approve the July 30th, 2025, Board of Trustees special meeting minutes as amended.

Yeas: Julie Collard, William Conklin, Matt Cunningham, Doug Kuebler, and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: None **Motion Carried**

TREASURERS REPORT

Ms. Collard presented a written report reporting all Hayes Township account balances.

CLERKS REPORT: APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Ms. Baranski made a motion, supported by Ms. Collard to buy back lot # 31 A-D and #32 A-D from the Dow family in the amount of \$300 each totaling \$2400.

Yeas: Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, William Conklin, Doug Kuebler, and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: None **Motion Carried**

Mr. Cunningham requested how much money was spent on the budget with Maner and Costerisan.

Ms. Baranski estimated about \$6,000.

Mr. Cunningham stated he does not recall the board ever spending this much money on a budget before. Would like to know why Bill felt this expense was necessary.

Mr. Conklin stated during a discussion with Steve and Rod from Maner Costerisan he found it necessary to have a budget that would be appropriate when it comes time for the audit to avoid issues.

Mr. Cunningham responded that the Board adopted the budget created by the Clerk and Treasurer.

Mr. Conklin stated in his perspective he proposed a very valid budget based on the information in BS&A and with BS&A being new to everyone he felt someone trained in BS&A should prepare the budget.

Mr. Cunningham stated the Clerk and Treasurer are both trained in BS&A. Asked Mr. Conklin why he did not consult either one of them?

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Mr. Conklin stated he reached out to both the Clerk and Treasurer and did not receive much input from either of them.

Ms. Collard stated the Clerk and her had both reached out way before the deadline to sit down with Mr. Conklin to discuss the budget.

Ms. Baranski asked Bill Conklin if the board should be expecting any additional invoices from Performance Engineers for the Drainage Repair project at Hayes Township Park Camp-Seagull. Mr. Conklin stated he inherited this project in November 2024 and has been negotiating with Performance Engineers since. Mr. Conklin stated Performance Engineers has a construction oversight of \$4500.

Ms. Baranski asked if Bill can contact Performance Engineer and request information regarding projected additional costs.

Mr. Conklin will be contacting Performance Engineers to ask the questions discussed by the Board.

Clerk, Ms. Baranski, presented the warrants in the amount of \$48,589.04.

Ms. Baranski made a motion, supported by Mr. Kuebler, to approve Township warrants out of the General Fund in the amount of \$48,589.04. A roll call was taken.

Yeas: Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, William Conklin, Doug Kuebler and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: **Motion Carried**

Ms. Baranski made a motion, supported by Mr. Kuebler to approve the installment payment for the EMS building loan in the amount of \$10,248.13. The total installment payment will be offset 100% by the LCEMSA monthly lease payment. A roll call was taken.

Yeas: Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, William Conklin, Doug Kuebler, and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: None **Motion Carried**

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT

Bob Jess was not present.

PARKS AND REC. REPORT

Ms. Collard presented the Parks and Rec. report.

The next regular Parks and Rec meeting will be rescheduled.

PLANNING COMMISSION

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Mr. Cunningham presented the Planning Commission Report. The next regular Planning Commission meeting is August 19th, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

ZBA held a hearing on July 23rd 2025 at 7:00 pm where they approved a variance for 6995 Birdland Drive.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Ron VanZee presented a Zoning Administrator report.
Report available at the Hayes Township Hall.

TRUSTEES:

Mr. Kuebler stated he had a request from a resident for a tractor sign to be placed on Murray Road.

Mr. Conklin will draft a letter to the Road Commission requesting a Tractor sign for Murray Road.

Mr. Kuebler stated he had a request after an accident happened on Murray Road, for the road to be widened in a certain area.

Mr. Conklin suggested the board make a resolution or motion to direct the Road Commission to widen a section Murray Road.

Mr. Kuebler made a motion, supported by Mr. Cunningham to approve Bill and Kristin to draft a resolution and sign it to request the road commission to widen a section of Murray road.

Yeas: Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, William Conklin, Doug Kuebler, and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: None **Motion Carried**

Ms. Collard asked Bill Conklin if he felt she offended or was attacked by her requesting information about the donations he received during the Storm Clean-up.

Mr. Conklin stated he recalls Ms. Collard asking him "if he was asking people to take out loans".

Ms. Collard stated she was not accusing Mr. Conklin of keeping money. She as treasurer, wanted to make sure all township money was collected and accounted for properly. She recalls asking Mr. Conklin if people were giving money for the township cleanup to offset the cost of the \$30,000 that the board approved, or if they were aware they were donating it to Mr. Conklin in a private manner.

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Mr. Conklin stated he remembers the Treasurer asking him if he requested money from people and suggested people take out loans. Mr Conklin stated people gave him money to defray the cost of equipment, and unless the township wants to pay for the rental of the equipment used by the volunteers he will turn in the money he received by donations.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

William Conklin presented a supervisor report.

FEMA GRANT RESOLUTION:

Resolution No. 08112025B

At a regular meeting of the Hayes Township Board of Trustees, Charlevoix County, Michigan held in the Hayes Township Hall, located at 9195 Major Douglas Sloan Road, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720 on August 11, 2025. Present: William Conklin, Kristin Baranski, Julie Collard, Matt Cunningham, Doug Kuebler

Absent: none

The following resolution was made by Ms. Baranski and supported by Mr. Cunningham to-wit: WHEREAS, the Township of Hayes has the authority to request reimbursement for the 2025 Ice Storm Debris Removal and WHEREAS, the Township of Hayes is requesting a reimbursement from FEMA for up to 75% of Township eligible associated costs; and WHEREAS, the Township of Hayes desires Supervisor to submit a "Request of Public Assistance" (RPA) for reimbursement related to the Ice Storm (FEMA-DR-4880-MI); THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Hayes Township Board of Trustees that, pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of the RPA (FEMA-DR-4880-MI), application be made to the FEMA for reimbursement; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bill Conklin Supervisor of said Hayes Township is hereby authorized and directed to cause the necessary data to be prepared and application to be signed and filed to FEMA;

Yays: William Conklin, Kristin Baranski, Julie Collard, Matt Cunningham, Doug Kuebler

Nays:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

BANK ACCOUNT RESOLUTION:

Resolution No. 08112025A

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At a regular meeting of the Hayes Township Board of Trustees, Charlevoix County, Michigan, held at the Hayes Township Hall located at 9195 Major Douglas Sloan Rd, in Charlevoix MI,
Present: William Conklin, Kristin Baranski, Julie Collard, Matt Cunningham, and Doug Kuebler
Absent: none

The following resolution was made by Ms. Baranski and supported by Ms. Collard

WHEREAS the Township of Hayes has the authority to allow Treasurer Julie Collard to close 3 current Hayes Township accounts.

WHEREAS the State provides under the Revised Statutes of 1846, Chapter 41, Section 65 that the Township Treasurer, as an authorized signer of township bank accounts, Hayes Township's current accounts at Four front Credit Union, Prime Share and Metro Account, can be closed and the amounts be transferred to the Hayes General Fund at Charlevoix State Bank. In addition, the Fundraising Account at Charlevoix State Bank can also be closed and the balance amount be transferred to the General Fund.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Treasurer Julie Collard is authorized to close said accounts and transfer all funds into the Hayes General Fund at Charlevoix State Bank, and to sign any documents that may be required in connection with closure of said accounts. Therefore be it shall be resolved by the Hayes Township Board of Trustees is in support this resolution and that the copy of the above resolution be shared with the concerned banking institutions necessary for any and all actions on their end.

Be it resolved on this 11th day of August, 2025.

Yays: William Conklin, Kristin Baranski, Julie Collard, Matt Cunningham, and Doug Kuebler

Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

CONSUMERS ENERGY FRANCHISE AGREEMENT:

Mr. Conklin made a motion, supported by Ms. Baranski to adopt the Consumers Energy Franchise Ordinance #081125.

Yeas: Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, William Conklin, Doug Kuebler and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: None **Motion Carried**

RESOLUTION TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION:

No. 08112025C

Hayes Township Board of Trustees, Charlevoix County, Michigan

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RESOLUTION TO PETITION TO CHANGE SPEED LIMITS WHEREAS, the Hayes Township Board of Trustees voted on July 14, 2025 to Petition the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners to undertake efforts to change the speed limits on three roads in Hayes Township, to wit: (1) Townline Road south of US-31 to Pincherry Road to be a 25-mph zone and (2) Shrigley Road, the entire length, to be a 25-mph zone and Major Douglas Sloan Road, from Murray Road to Maple Grove Road to be a 45-mph zone, and WHEREAS, the Hayes Township Board has withdrawn its request to change the speed limit on Major Douglas Sloan Road, pending further investigation and study, and WHEREAS, a letter, with attachments, from the Supervisor has been delivered to the County Board of Commissioners c/o County Administrator and to the Manager of the County Road Commission requesting that they undertake efforts to change the speed limits at these locations, and WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners requires a Resolution from the Hayes Township Board of Trustees, before it can act on these requests, NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Hayes Township Board of Trustees formally petitions the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners to "change to a" or "create a" posted 25-mph zone on: (1) Townline Road, from US-31 south to Pincherry Road and on (2) Shrigley Road, the entire length.

Be it resolved on this 11th day of August, 2025.

Yays: William Conklin, Kristin Baranski, Julie Collard, Matt Cunningham, and Doug Kuebler

Nays:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

CORRESPONDENCE DEADLINE

The board came to a consensus to create a deadline for agenda items. All agenda items will need to be submitted to the clerk by the Monday before the Board meeting and supporting documents to be submitted by the Wednesday at 10am before the board meeting. All public correspondence must be received by noon on the Thursday before the Board meeting, to allow the Board members to have sufficient time to review and research meeting material.

VOICE NEWSLETTER DISCUSSION:

The board came to a consensus to discontinue the voice.

DESIGNATED SWIM AREA/BUOYS FOR HAYES TOWNSHIP PARK/CAMP SEAGULL:

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The board came to a consensus Parks and Rec will research what is needed to create a designated swim area for Hayes Township Park Camp Seagull and consult professional services as needed.

SHELLEY DORGAN LETTER DATED 6.19.2025:

Board review Shelley Dorgan's Letter.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Public comments opened at 10:03 pm.

Comments included:

- Resident stated they would like to see the board get along.
- Resident stated Upper Bay Shore and Maple Grove intersection is very dangerous.
- Resident stated they did not know about the complaint filed with the sheriff department against Bill Conklin. Stated they would like to hear the board members thank Bill Conklin for his work during the storm clean-up.
- Resident stated the board eliminated the Voice and spring clean up while having a huge expense in lawsuits created by Supervisor Conklin, which is creating the division in the township.
- Mr. Conklin stated there will be spring clean up in 2026.
- Resident stated due to the lawsuit brought to the township by Supervisor Conklin himself the township is now behind \$129,000. If people are wondering why there is animosity, it is because you sued the board the day before you took office. Would like to know the supervisor's goal for doing that?
- Mr. Conklin stated he sued the township because the board changed the terms of the Planning Commission before he took office, which he believes was wrong and illegal.
- Resident asked what the judge ruled on the lawsuit.
- Mr. Conklin stated the local judge said the township board had every legal basis to do so and that is why he is taking it to the Court of Appeals.
- Resident asked how much that is going to cost the township?
- Mr. Conklin stated the cost is not his concern.
- Resident stated the board went after Bill Conklin for something they should be thanking him for. Would like to see the board members resign.

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- Resident stated instead of the Clerk and Treasurer contacting the sheriff about what Bill Conklin did to help the Township they should have stepped up and worked beside him to help the community.
- Resident stated the board needs to look at what is right and what is wrong. Feels the laws have been broken by the previous board. Would like to know if the link to the cemetery has been put on the website.
- Ms. Collard stated she will post the link as a post tomorrow, she is looking into how to place it under the cemetery section of the website.
- Resident asked if the Treasurer consulted the Township Counsel before reaching out to the Sheriff. Would like to know what the Township Attorney told her to include in her complaint.
- Ms. Collard stated she did reach out to Todd before contacting the Sheriff.
- Resident stated the Clerk and Treasurer should reimburse the township for the money they spent consulting the attorney to discuss the complaint against Bill Conklin.
- Resident stated Ron VanZee retiring from Zoning Administrator would solve many issues within the township.
- Resident stated the board gives residents reasons to complain.
- Resident stated the previous board gave residents too many excuses for Ron VanZee's poor enforcement.

Public comments closed at 10:22 p.m.

BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Kuebler made a motion, supported by Ms. Baranski, to adjourn at 10:30p.m.

Yeas: Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, William Conklin, Doug Kuebler and Kristin Baranski.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

April Hilton

Hayes Township Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary



zoning hayestownshipmi <zoninghayestownshipmi@gmail.com>

Speed limits

1 message

Shelley Dorgan <shedrgnfly@gmail.com>

Sat, Aug 9, 2025 at 2:45 PM

To: Bill Conklin <supervisor@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Kristin Baranski <clerk@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Doug Kuebler <hayestrustee5@gmail.com>, Matt Cunningham <trustee2@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Julie Collard <treasurer@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Ron VanZee <zoning@hayestownshipmi.gov>

Dear Hayes Township Board Members ,

Today I'm writing regarding the discussion about lowering some speed limits at last month's board meeting.

This reminds me of people who move from the city to a rural area and then want all the same laws and regulations they had inside the city limits.

I guess I was lucky, when I grew up children were taught to stay out of the road and pets were tied up or kept on a leash. Some were suggesting lowering the speed limit from 55 mph to 25 mph.

If these people are having a problem keeping their children and/or pets out of the road they could fence in their yard to prevent this instead of trying to inconvenience everyone else who uses the road.

Lower speed limits adds time to people's commute to and from work. At 55 mph a 10 mile drive takes 10:55 minutes. At 25 mph this would take 24:00 minutes.

<https://www.timecalculator.net/speed-distance-time-calculator>

Most people drive more than 10 miles one way.

Also this is a waste of time and money. It can not be enforced. We do not have law enforcement to patrol rural roads. We also do not need to waste taxpayer money on signs for something that can't be enforced.

Please consider the inconvenience this would cause to all that use these roads

Sincerely,

Shelley Dorgan
10205 Maple Grove Rd
Charlevoix, MI 49720



zoning hayestownshipmi <zoninghayestownshipmi@gmail.com>

We need a fireworks ordinance

1 message

Shelley Dorgan <shedrgnfly@gmail.com>

Sat, Aug 9, 2025 at 2:57 PM

To: Bill Conklin <supervisor@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Kristin Baranski <clerk@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Matt Cunningham <trustee2@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Doug Kuebler <hayestrustee5@gmail.com>, Julie Collard <treasurer@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Ron VanZee <zoning@hayestownshipmi.gov>

With no ordinance regarding fireworks people in Hayes Township can shoot them off every single day of the year.

I recently learned that the state law does not mean those are the only days fireworks can be used, it actually means that those are the only days that their use can't be stopped.

We are in a rural area with lots of farms where fireworks are extremely traumatic to animals both domestic and wild.

We must also think about our veterans. Having been married to a 30 year Navy veteran who did two tours in Vietnam I know first hand how traumatizing it is for them. I understand that if you do not have a family member who has served during a war you might not be aware of this. We did our best to avoid fireworks displays but you can't get away when it's happening next door.

Please consider animals, both domestic and wild and our veterans.

Sincerely,

Shelley Dorgan
10205 Maple Grove Rd
Charlevoix, MI, 49720



zoning hayestownshipmi <zoninghayestownshipmi@gmail.com>

Animosity

1 message

Shelley Dorgan <shedrgnfly@gmail.com>

Sat, Aug 9, 2025 at 3:38 PM

To: Bill Conklin <supervisor@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Kristin Baranski <clerk@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Matt Cunningham <trustee2@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Doug Kuebler <hayestrustee5@gmail.com>, Julie Collard <treasurer@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Ron VanZee <zoning@hayestownshipmi.gov>

Dear Hayes Township Board Members, appointed officials and all interested parties,

I noticed a lot of animosity toward our new township supervisor. Everyone needs to be aware that Mr. Conklin was elected by the majority of residents in Hayes Township.

Hayes Township officials and appointees are supposed to represent all residents of Hayes Township, not just their friends, family or personal opinions.

I believe Mr. Conklin was elected because the majority of residents in Hayes Township do not like the way things have been done and how some present and past officials have conducted themselves and/or neglected their duties.

It's past time that all elected officials and appointees realize this and work together with Mr. Conklin and each other. I don't expect you to agree with each other on everything but you all must listen to each other with respect and come to mutual agreements. If you cannot do this then maybe you are a part of the problem that got Mr. Conklin elected. If any of you cannot or refuse to do this, then maybe you should resign, so that we can have a group of people who are willing to work together and represent all residents of Hayes Township.

I could list some names but I won't, you know who you are.

I just purchased and received the 2025 Authorities and Responsibilities of Michigan Townships guide.

I would encourage all of you to begin with Chapter One.

"You hold public office"

"You are the government"

"You are using other people's money"

"You are a member of a public body"

"YOUR ACTIONS ARE PUBLIC"

"YOU MUST WORK WITH OTHERS"

"YOU MUST BE ACCOUNTABLE"

As Hayes Township grows it is critical that we have officials who are here to represent everyone that lives here, not just friends, family or their own personal desires.

Cooperation, Respect and Communication between all elected and appointed officials must be achieved. For anyone who feels they cannot do this then you should resign.

Sincerely,

Shelley Dorgan
10205 Maple Grove Rd
Charlevoix, MI 49720



clerk hayestownshipmi <clerkhayestownshipmi@gmail.com>

FW: Hayes Township Board, all elected officials and interested parties

1 message

Todd Millar <tmillar@parkerharvey.com>

Mon, Aug 11, 2025 at 7:19 AM

To: William Conklin <supervisorhayestownshipmi@gmail.com>, "Kristin Baranski (clerkhayestownshipmi@gmail.com)" <clerkhayestownshipmi@gmail.com>, "Julie Collard (treasurerhayestownshipmi@gmail.com)" <treasurerhayestownshipmi@gmail.com>

Good morning. Kristin asked me to weigh in on this issue for tonight's meeting. From the email below, it looks like a neighbor installed a fence partially on Ms. Dorgan's property. It is not specifically stated but I am assuming this is a side or rear yard. Your ordinance provides:

Section 3.16 Fences, Walls and Hedges

Fences, walls, or hedges may be permitted on any property in any District, provided that no fence, or wall exceed a height of six (6) feet, except where specifically allowed by this Zoning Ordinance, and shall be no closer than five (5) feet to the front property line or road right-of-way, and further provided such fence, wall or hedge shall not obstruct sight distances needed for safe vehicular traffic, nor create a hazard to traffic or pedestrians. Fences may be located on the lot line in the side or rear yards. Fences shall not exceed four (4) feet in height within the front yard for a waterfront property. Where a lot borders a lake or stream, fencing shall not be constructed on the waterfront side within the required fifty (50) foot shoreland protection strip; provided however, except when the lot is immediately adjacent to a municipal park located on a lake, a maximum six foot fence shall be allowed on the shared boundary with the municipal park, provided the fence is at least 50% open and the finished side of the fence faces the municipal park.

Fences in the side or rear yard can be installed on the lot line under the current version of the ordinance. As Ms. Dorgan stated, some municipalities do require fences to be set back from the property line. If you would like to change that, we can look at amending the ordinance.

Generally the Township does not have standing to pursue private property rights and damages. Therefore, the Township would not be able to pursue a trespass or damages claim on behalf of Ms. Dorgan. She would need to file that in circuit court on her own.

The questions I have is, was the fence constructed pursuant to a permit zoning permit? Your ordinance says that all structures require a zoning permit. Arguably, a fence is a structure as defined by the ordinance. Has this term been interpreted to exclude fences? If not, we may be able to argue that implicit in every permit is the fact that the structure will be erected on your property. By not erecting the fence on their property, the property owner is violating the permit and can be sanctioned pursuant to Section 9.07. This is not a slam dunk by any means but a

way the Township could elect to pursue this issues. The strongest case if for Ms. Dorgan to pursue her own claim.

Let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter.

Todd

Todd W. Millar

Attorney

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From: clerk hayestownshipmi <clerkhayestownshipmi@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 28, 2025 10:21 AM

To: Todd Millar <tmillar@parkerharvey.com>

Subject: Fwd: Hayes Township Board, all elected officials and interested parties

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Shelley Dorgan <shedrgnfly@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Jul 27, 2025 at 3:05 PM

Subject: Hayes Township Board, all elected officials and interested parties

To: Bill Conklin <supervisor@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Kristin Baranski <clerk@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Matt Cunningham <trustee2@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Doug Kuebler <hayestrustee5@gmail.com>, Julie Collard <treasurer@hayestownshipmi.gov>, Ron VanZee <zoning@hayestownshipmi.gov>

Dear Hayes Township Board Members,

CASE SUPERVISION SHEET

[illegible]

INCIDENT DATA

MC

VICTIM

OTHERS INVOLVED

PROPERTY

Incident Report Additional Name List

OCA: 2025-001169

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Additional Name List

Name Code/#	Name (Last, First, Middle)	Victim of Crime #	DOB	Age	Race	Sex
1) 10 3	BARANSKI, KRISTIN				W	F
	Address 5415 RABB RD, CHARLEVOIX, MI 49720-					
	Empl/Addr					
			H: - -			
			B: - -			
			Mobile #: - -			

INCIDENT/INVESTIGATION REPORT

Charlevoix Sheriff Department

Case # 2025-001169

Status Codes 1 = None 2 = Burned 3 = Counterfeit / Forged 4 = Damaged / Vandalized 5 = Recovered 6 = Seized 7 = Stolen 8 = Unknown

D R U G S	IBR	Status	Quantity	Type Measure	Suspected Type	

Assisting Officers

Suspect Hate / Bias Motivated: **NONE**

NARRATIVE

REPORTING OFFICER NARRATIVE

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COMPLAINT:

Fraud False Pretense.

VENUE:

09195 Major Douglas Sloan Rd. Hayes Township, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan.

DATE AND TIME:

Monday July 21, 2025 at approximately 1128 hrs.

REPORT / NARRATIVE:

On Monday July 21, 2025 at approximately 1128 hrs. I (Det. Hasty) received an email from Sheriff Chuck Vondra that was sent to him by staff at the Hayes Township Hall. There was an allegation made of possible fraudulent activity occurring involving the Township Supervisor. The Township Supervisor was identified as William Conklin. There was a typed letter in the email addressed to Sheriff Vondra which outlined the allegations of possible wrong doing.

SYNOPSIS OF THE LETTER TO SHERIFF VONDRA DATED JUNE 25, 2025:

We have serious concerns about Bill Conklin's potential misuse / misappropriation / accepting funds under false pretenses.

He is the current supervisor of Hayes Township and has been collecting funds from township residents with absolutely no Board of Trustees approval, with no accounting or oversight, under the guise of helping to offset the cost of our storm clean up but using the funds to pay for hired individuals and equipment rental. One of the residents mentioned both verbally and in writing several times is also a convicted offender with no vehicle on his file but is receiving funds for use of his vehicle.

The Hayes Township Board of Trustees has contracted W&W Tree Service to clean the debris from the ice storm. They are collecting roadside piles of debris. Bill has decided to assist residents with yard cleaning as a resident, not as a supervisor or Board member. However, he has been using Township report and communication regarding his cleanup effort, introducing himself as the supervisor. Several times he has mentioned residents donating \$50.00 or \$100.00 to help offset the cost of the Township cleaning. Bill claims in the recording provided he has never solicited a donation in person from a resident. In that same recording from our June 23, 2025, Board meeting, his wife Diane shares that she has kept a record of all donations and expenditures and would share that with us. When that information was requested, she refused to provide anything (See emails provided). (See attached letter).

INTERVIEW OF JULIE COLLARD:

On July 23, 2025, I (Det. Hasty) made phone contact with Julie Collard. She is the Hayes Township Treasurer. She advised that the Board of Trustees authorized the hiring of W & W Tree Service for storm damage cleanup sustained from the ice storm in March 2025. The cleanup was only for brush that had been moved out to the road right of way

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and not for yard cleanup. She stated the contract was signed for \$30,000, however there was a \$10,000 grant available so the cost to the township would be \$20,000. Collard advised that Bill Conklin had requested more funds from the township to assist in yard cleanup for the elderly and disabled. The Board of Trustees denied this request due to the liability issues involved with utilizing equipment. She stated that when the Board of Trustees denied the extra funds to Mr. Conklin, he stated that he would pay for the equipment rental and gather volunteers to assist in yard cleanup. There was an immediate concern raised about a person that was hired by Mr. Conklin. I explained to her that Mr. Conklin, acting as a resident, not as the township supervisor, and hiring a registered sex offender is not against the law. I advised her that the Michigan Sex Offender laws have been under scrutiny and there has been a tremendous amount of changes to these laws recently.

I ask Collard to again confirm that the township contracted with and approved to hire W & W Tree Service and she stated "yes". I ask her if an audit had been conducted on all the township accounts and she stated they were waiting on a call. I ask her if she suspects Mr. Conklin of keeping any money given to him and she stated "no". I ask her if the township has an attorney and she advised "yes, and he is aware of the allegations". Collard advised that there has been tension between Mr. Conklin and other Board members in the past.

SYNOPSIS OF THE RECORDED MEETING: (See attached) (Not verbatim)

Bill Conklin was asked if he was collecting donations from residents and he replied "if residents come up to me and say I want to pay you, it's No". He went on to say that it's \$100.00 a day for the chipper and \$200.00 a day for Dan Dixon and his truck. Collard states that she understands the gesture of kindness, but when you're using township materials to solicit funds, and Conklin states "I'm not using township materials". Collard states that Conklin is going around and introducing himself as the township supervisor and he stated "No I'm not". Collard states that Conklin has not turned in any donation money to her and Conklin stated "because this is not township related, this is Bill Conklin doing the work as an individual". It appears there is confusion reference Conklin asking for donations in the news letter to help offset the township expense of contracting with W & W Tree Service. The township materials were used for this purpose, however it appears that was for the work conducted by W & W Tree Service and not the work Mr. Conklin was conducting.

FOLLOW UP LIST OF RESIDENTS SUPPLIED BY JULIE COLLARD:

On July 24 & 25, 2025, I (Det. Hasty) made phone contact with the following residents who reside in Hayes Township. These individuals were all asked the same questions concerning Mr. Conklin and the yard cleanup.

1. Linda Miscourt 7-24-25 - She stated she could not remember the introduction with Mr. Conklin, never used his services, was not asked to donate money, and did not pay Conklin.
2. Chris Kettle 7-24-25 - No contact was made and the voicemail box on his phone was full.
3. Cathy Brickle 7-24-25 - She stated she never used his service, no money was asked for or donated.
4. Lauren Pearson 7-24-25 - She said Conklin did not introduce himself as the township supervisor, did not use his services, no money was asked for or donated, and she said Conklin made it very clear this was him helping and had nothing to do with the township.
5. Bob Adams 7-24-25 - He said he could not recall the introduction, did a small amount of work, and he used

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venmo to send \$50.00 to Diane Conklin to help with the equipment rental.

6. Jason Hall 7-24-25 - He said Conklin did not introduce himself as the township supervisor, did some work, and Jason asked Conklin if he could donate money, Conklin did not ask for a donation per Hall. Donation was \$100.00 cash.

7. Margret McIntyre - Per Julie Collard, she sent a check directly to the township for \$50.00 I spoke to Margret McIntyre on 7-29-25 who confirmed she had sent the check to the township due to what she read in the news letter. She said she was under the assumption the money was to offset the cost of hiring W & W Tree service and not for what Conklin was doing.

8. Ken Swan 7-24-25 - He said Conklin did not introduce himself as the township supervisor, and there was no talk of money being donated or asked for.

9. Paul Squires 7-24-25 - He said Conklin did not introduce himself as the township supervisor, and there was no talk of money being donated or asked for.

10. Rex Greenslade 7-24-25 - He had no work to be done because he resides in a condominium association that did the cleanup. No money was talked about or asked for.

11. Richard Todd 7-24-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

12. Matt Berg 7-24-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

13. Chris Loewen 7-24-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

14. Jaquelin Burke 7-24-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

15. Andrew Redlawski 7-24-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

16. Nancy Elkhund 7-24-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

17. Barbara Walker 7-24-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

18. Susan McGuire 7-25-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

19. Mary Wilson 7-25-25 - Phone not in service. (Number from TLO).

20. Randy Johnson 7-25-25 - Did not use the service, he said he was going to volunteer some of his time to help Bill, however had to have hip surgery. He said he donated \$100.00 to the boy scouts of America, but had no discussion about money with Bill.

21. Tammy Southwood 7-25-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

22. Bill Henne 7-25-25 - He said Conklin chipped a small pile of brush for him, no money was exchanged, and Mr.

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Henne offered to donate, however Mr. Conklin did not ask for money.

23. Doug Johnson 7-25-25 - Did not use the service or donate any money.

EVIDENCE:

Letter emailed to Sheriff Vondra

Copies of email messages between the Hayes Township Clerk and Diane Conklin.

Copy of the Hayes Voice news letter.

Copy of the special meeting notes from May 2, 2025

Copy of the May 12, 2025 meeting notes.

Copy of the special meeting recording (See attached CD).

CONTACT WITH JULIE COLLARD:

On Monday August 4, 2025, I (Det. Hasty) made phone contact with Julie Collard and spoke to her about the outcome of the investigation.

CASE DISPOSITION:

TOT Office files.

CASE STATUS:

Unfounded.

June 25, 2025

Sheriff Vondra:

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We are sharing the minutes from our board meetings, the reports and public letters from Bill to township residents, a list of residents we believe he has spoken to (this is NOT conclusive in any way—there are many others), email communication, contracts, as well as the recording from our June 23, 2025 meeting where this issue was discussed.

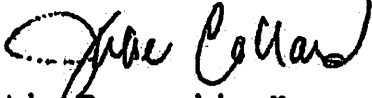
Treasurers are required to keep an account of township revenues and expenditures, as well as receive and deposit all township revenues and payments in approved depositories. Clerks maintain

the general ledger, prepare financial statements, as well as maintain custody of all township records and warrants for township checks. With these statutory responsibilities in mind, we both feel the financial aspect of this behavior is concerning and not in line with the requirements of the handling of township funds.

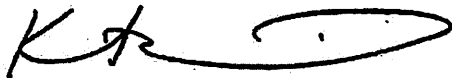
Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Julie Collard, Hayes Township Treasurer

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Julie Collard".

Kristin Baranski, Hayes Township Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kristin Baranski".

One of events re: **Cleanup and Organizing Volunteers** myself/individually, not as Supervisor, since other members of the Township Board declined my offer to rent the necessary equipment for the elderly and the needy, to wit: Woodchipper (\$100/day) and Dump Truck (\$250.00/day) on the weekends.

Other members of the Board held tightly to their view: "if a service is not being given to everyone, then it should not be given to anyone".

I disagree, since there were so many telephone calls asking for help; many folks do not have the means to undertake cleanup, either due to incapacities, age or finances. That is when volunteers and neighbors should assist.

This OUTLINE HAS NOTHING to do with the W&W Tree Service contract to pick up all "ice storm limbs and branches" placed along the side of a road.

After the ice storm of March 28-30, the Hayes Township Board had a special meeting on April 8, 2025 to discuss the possibility of clean up; Landscape Logic submitted a proposal to clean up the township for a cost of \$45,000.00 + \$2500/day which did not specify what portions of the township would be cleaned up. After discussions that Landscape Logic bid did not cover entire Township and since I had been getting many calls from the elderly/needy who wanted help cleaning up their lots, I offered to coordinate volunteers to help clean-up properties for the elderly/needy. I offered to rent a woodchipper and a dump truck, when necessary. I asked the other members of the Board if the township would pay for the equipment rental, then I would organize the volunteers. The other members declined that offer stating that "if it is not offered to everyone, then the township should not be involved" and "you cannot get volunteers to do much work...when the summer comes, you will not get anyone to work".

I stated that, due to the many calls for help, I would undertake that effort myself personally and will organize volunteers to assist those in need with ice storm cleanup. The Board then agreed to ask Landscape Logic and others to submit a bid to clean up the entire township. I provided the names of the streets to be included in any bid.

At the Board meeting on April 14, Landscape Logic submitted a bid for \$68,000.00. I had reached out to Walt Tasker of W&W Tree Service in Houghton Lake to see if he might be interested in putting in a bid. He was busy onsite in the Onaway area and stated that he would need to assess the damage before he submitted a bid. The Board decided that it could not afford to hire a company for cleanup.

On April 16, a notice was posted on our website indicating that Hayes Township is not formally undertaking any storm debris cleanup, but elderly/needy residents could contact me as I would be organizing volunteers on my own and securing a woodchipper and hopefully a dump truck.

As a result of this post, I received phone calls from many residents on Nine Mile Point, who asked their Assoc to become involved. Their Association and I agreed to a contract in which they would pay for the cost of the woodchipper (\$100/day) and Dump Truck (\$250.00/day) for two days scheduled for April 26 and 27, if I could arrange some volunteers and the association provided volunteers. This contract with 9 Mile Association was separate and apart from my expressed work for the elderly/needy who had called me asking that they be put on the schedule for assistance.

Since 9 Mile Point was only 60% completed, I realized that clean-up was going to be a major undertaking which would continue through the summer.

On April 29, I applied for a grant through the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and Hayes Township was awarded a grant of \$10,000.00 for clean-up efforts.

On May 2, 2025, the Township Board held a special meeting to discuss hiring W & W Tree Service to clean up the ice storm damage (no other bids were submitted, A+ Tree Service was asked to submit a bid) if residents brought "ice storm limbs and branches" to the edge of the road, for a total cost of \$30,000.00. The Board agreed with conditions and W&W Tree Service stated it did not want to be paid until the Board was satisfied with its work. The Manager of the Road Commission and I traveled the entire township discussing what was road commission work and what was W&W work. Proof of proper business name and insurances, contract with Rieth-Riley signed, agreements with Road Commission and Sheriff Dept were secured.

The Board signed a contract with W&W Tree Service at the next board meeting on May 12. I stated that I would continue working with volunteers to assist elderly/needy who called me to haul their branches to the road and/or chip the branches or cut down trees/branches, which posed a hazard.

Please note that I personally (and not in my capacity as Supervisor) had made contracts with the Charlevoix Country Club Superintendent for the use of their wood chipper for \$100/day (since I had worked maintenance part-time for two years with them and was familiar with the woodchipper) and with Dan Dixon for the use of his dump truck for \$250/day. See attached Contracts.

I had received over 100 telephone calls from folks in need, asking that I put them on the list for assistance; I organized them by areas of the township. I assessed that the north and east portions of the township sustained more damage than the south and west portions. Therefore, I started in the north and east side of the township and advised the others approximately when we would be able to help them.

In late April, Jason Hall, Bob Adams and Barbara Ray had asked if I would assist them in cleanup of the Townline/Division/Spring St area, Bob and Barbara stated they would help with the cost of the woodchipper. Since they were all in the same vicinity, I scheduled the cleanup of their area for May 3 – *a month before I ever asked residents to consider making a payment to the Township to offset the cost of W&W Tree Service.*

May 3 - Stacey and Janet McGarey and Justin Allen assisted in the Townline/Rocky Beach/Spring/Maple/Division areas. Jason Hall handed me a \$100 bill, and I said, "no, you do not need to do that" and he insisted and said "no, you take it to pay for the equipment". Woody Pearson joined us when Justin had to leave. When Stacey and Janet had to leave, Woody and I continued to clean up until 6:30pm. We completed 7 full loads of wood chips which we dumped at Rieth-Riley. Bob Adams sent me \$50.00, and Barbara Ray sent me \$50.00 to defray the cost of the rented equipment.

May 4 - Mel Thayer and I agreed that he would pay for the woodchipper (\$100), and I would help chip branches along his driveway, side yards and back of his property. I had worked the weekend of April 19 at his house cutting down branches which were hung up in his maple and birch trees. Ultimately, I cut the birch tree down and cut the tree into campfire/wood stove size. My son, Casey, Mel and I chipped up his many piles in driveway and front yard (white pines). Casey had to leave at 1:30pm and Dave Bateman

ed to help chip the many piles along the north side of his house and in the back of his house. We finished at 4:00pm and Mel Thayer drove the woodchipper to the Country Club and gave me \$100.00 for the cost of the rented woodchipper. I paid for the gas for the woodchipper.

May 10 - Justin Allen, Kevin Willis and I worked Townline at the park, then Bayshore area and south to the end of Murray Road. We drove to See Rd to clean up piles in side yard of Martha Skeel. Justin and Kevin had to leave. I cleaned up one pile on the side yard for Darlene Buchner. Thereafter, Dan and I went to Virginia Field's house on Maple Grove to cut many branches/limbs and hauled them to chipper in the driveway for 2.5 hours.

May 17 - Jim Rudolph used his truck to drive woodchipper with me from CCC to Wynkoop at Park View and Henne and others on Boyne City Rd to chip up many piles of limbs/branches for 5 hours.

May 24 - I cut up limbs, trees and branches at Doug Johnson's and George Southwood's on Maple Grove; then went to Pincherry at Marolyn Anderson's where I cut up the branches and limbs from trees on her front 3 acres to get ready for chipper with Jim Rudolph - dump truck would not fit in between the trees.

June 1 - Kevin Willis, Jim Rudolph and I used woodchipper at Marolyn Anderson's 3 acres which took most of the day. Tom, Marolyn's caretaker, gave me \$100.00 for the equipment and I gave it to Jim Rudolph for use of his truck on 5/17 and that day. Jim Rudolph used his truck to haul woodchipper from CCC and back to CCC. This was before the Voice newsletter was sent out which quoted me "asking that if folks were able, to send a donation to the Township to defray the cost of cleanup" for W&W Tree Service.

June 7 - Alan Juday had called a third time and stated that he had put his limbs all over his front and side yard and W&W had not come yet and his company was coming to visit - he needed help; I advised that I was going to other homes and could stop first thing at his house with the chipper and dump. He offered to help pay for the woodchipper and I said Ok. At 8:30am, we cleared his entire front and side yard together for 3 hrs.; he gave me \$100.00 for the woodchipper. I then went to Dan Swan's on Stolt Rd, then along Burgess to Ken Swan's near Dunmaglas and finished at Randy Johnson's on MDS, chipping the trees and limbs laying in his yard at 7:00pm - left the logs for the baseball team to pick up.

June 14 - Went to Bayside Park to clean up what was hauled up by the baseball players on 6/8; then Sue Kenny's (short 15' pieces) on Division and another pile on Division; then in Bayshore area - 2 houses with piles and finished doing Murray Road north of Upper Bayshore - four homes - McIntyre & her neighbors.

July 5 - Stacey and Janet McGary assisted in the chipping the huge pile of dead and decomposing debris (not ice storm limbs) at end of Birdland, McGarys left at 11:30; Justin Allen joined me at the Williamsons, and we finished picking up Karen Dickinson's two piles in her side yard, next to her house. Expense of 1/2 day chipper and Dan Dixon cost for dump truck.

July 11 - I picked up the logs at the end of Birdland and loaded them into Dan Dixon's truck.

This is the best of my recollection from my notes and telephone calls and e-mails.

William M. Conklin
Bill Conklin
8/5/2025

William Conklin Volunteer Cleanup Synopsis:

Contractual – 9 Mile Point Association

\$600 for 18.5 hours on 4/26 and 4/27/2025 to clean up Association area after Township Board's decisions (Baranski, Collard, Kuebler, Cunningham) not to provide any assistance

Contractual obligations paid for Dan Dixon/dump truck \$400 and Charlevoix Country Club woodchipper \$200

Serviced by 6 volunteers (61 hours) and William Conklin (18.5 hours)

Non-Contractual

4/28 – 7/11/2025 Bayside Park and 65 additional homes were serviced by 17 additional volunteers (105.5 hours) and William Conklin (103 hours)

Costs Paid:

Dan Dixon Dump Truck	1,135.00
Charlevoix Country Club Woodchipper	700.00
Gasoline	242.50
Repair & Maintain Chipper	50.95
Jim Rudolph Truck Use	<u>100.00</u>

Total Expenses	2,228.45
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Donations for Equipment Costs	<u>- 600.00</u>
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TOTAL PAID BY WILLIAM CONKLIN	<u>1,628.45</u>
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April 26, 2025

Nick Michalek is the Superintendent of Maintenance at the Charlevoix Country Club and supervises the equipment which is owned by the Charlevoix Country Club. One of the pieces of equipment is a Vermeer woodchipper which has been used in the prior two years by Bill Conklin with Carl & Tim Parsell, as he worked maintenance part-time.

Bill Conklin, personally and individually, is organizing volunteers to assist the elderly, disabled and needy folks in Hayes Township who do not have the means to clean up the ice storm damage on their own and has requested the daily rental of the CCC woodchipper, on the weekends.

Therefore, Nick Michalek and the Charlevoix Country Club agree to rent its woodchipper to Bill Conklin at the rate of \$100 per day, to be paid at the end of the ice storm cleanup, probably in July, in order to assist the elderly, disabled and those in need in Hayes Township. Bill Conklin will be responsible for all of the gas/oil and its maintenance, if any is needed.

Bill Conklin Nick Michalek

April 20, 2025

Dan Dixon owns a smaller dump truck which is ideal to pull a woodchipper so the wood chips can be sent directly into the back of the dump truck which has doors which open to allow chips and close after being filled to safely transport the wood chips.

Bill Conklin, personally and individually, is organizing volunteers to assist the elderly, disabled and needy folks in Hayes Township who do not have the means to cleanup the ice storm damage on their own.

Therefore, Dan Dixon agrees with Bill Conklin to drive his dump truck to assist Bill Conklin and his volunteers when he schedules weekends to assist the people in need in Hayes Township at the rate of \$250.00 per day for a 10 hour day or at lesser rate, at the option of Dan Dixon. Bill Conklin will pay Dan Dixon directly on the day of the use of his dump truck and Bill Conklin acknowledges and agrees that Dan Dixon is not required to do any physical labor due to his disabilities and infirmities.

aid = to be paid in cash.

Dan Dixon

Bill Conklin

LOC	BLDG	STREET ADDRESS	POK	BC	BLDG LIM	CONT LIM	YEAR BUILD	BF	SQ FT
1	1	09195 OLD US 31 NORTH	10-Offices	2-Joisted Masonry	588495	26082	1982	100 - Administrative Office	2544
2	1	09195 OLD US 31 N.POLE BUILDING - GARAG	15-Fire/Police	1-Frame	264000	0	2002	925 - Firehall	1200
3	1	08580BOYNE CITY RD - MAIN LODGE	10-Offices	1-Frame	1472595	348627	1979	610 - Campground	0
3	2	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN B1	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	30746	0	1958	610 - Campground	1000
3	3	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN B2	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	29363	0	1958	610 - Campground	1000
3	4	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN B3	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	29196	0	1958	610 - Campground	1000
3	5	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN B4	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	28967	0	1958	610 - Campground	1000
3	6	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN B5	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	29196	0	1960	610 - Campground	1000
3	7	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN B6	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	29483	0	1964	610 - Campground	1000
3	8	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN B7	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	34246	0	1964	610 - Campground	0
3	9	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN G1	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	26554	0	1964	610 - Campground	1000
3	10	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN G2	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	29416	0	1960	610 - Campground	1000
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3	14	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN G6	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	37392	0	1963	610 - Campground	1000
3	15	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN G7	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	34467	0	1963	610 - Campground	1000
3	16	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN G8	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	40252	0	1962	610 - Campground	0
3	17	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CABIN EMMET	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	33680	0	1986	610 - Campground	1000
3	20	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - CLINIC	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	44375	21083	1960	610 - Campground	0
3	21	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - BOYS SHOWER HOUSE	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	48447	46116	1963	610 - Campground	1000
3	22	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - DIRECTORS HOUSE	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	283416	41949	1958	610 - Campground	1000
3	23	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - DOCTORS OFFICE	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	55466	37292	1958	610 - Campground	1000
3	25	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - REC. HALL	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	799376	0	1962	610 - Campground	0
3	26	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - LEW'S CABIN	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	44375	28573	1960	610 - Campground	0
3	27	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - SHOWER HOUSE	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	55466	0	1986	610 - Campground	0
3	28	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - POLE BARN	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	18525	0	1957	610 - Campground	0
3	29	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - WARTERFRONT SHEL	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	6173	27576	1964	610 - Campground	0
3	30	08580 BOYNE CITY RD - ARCHERY SHED	11-Parks/Recreation	1-Frame	0	8941	1964	610 - Campground	0

Proposal to install Swim Buoys at Camp Sea-Gull

My name is Andrew H. Balderson residing with my wife Linda at 8232 Eastern Avenue, Charlevoix, in Hayes Township.

I appreciate the opportunity to address the township's consideration of installing swim buoys at Camp Sea-Gull. I present my findings as a licensed landscape architect, a graduate of MSU school of landscape architecture, 1968. Over the course of my 50 plus years of practice, I have been licensed in 9 states including Michigan. I sold my practice in Maryland in 2019, having served as an expert witness before various county Planning Commissions, Board of Appeals, and District Courts. Throughout my career I represented a diverse clientele in the private and public sectors. My tasks included: consulting, designing, and observing the construction of hundreds of millions of dollars for site improvements, construction, and landscaping.

Whereas the proposal to install swim buoys at Camp Sea-Gull, at first glance, is a natural addition to the beautiful waterfront, doing so, in my professional opinion, is taking a noble effort and imposing it on the wrong site. Installing swim buoys implies that this amenity is safe and code compliant. Nothing is further from the truth! It is the wrong site for swim buoys for the following reasons: SAFETY AND COST

I. SAFETY

- A. The beachless shoreline is covered with round slippery rocks and fractured rocks (an example found by me from the water's edge at the August picnic.) These conditions are hazardous for walking and swimming. (see attached photo exhibit A)
- B. The existing concrete ramp accessing the shoreline is too steep and does not meet code. (see attached photo exhibit B)
- C. 4 ½' existing boulder seawall is failing and has no safety barrier. (see attached photo exhibit B)
- D. No ADA access from existing handicapped parking.
- E. The proposed swim area is subject to prevailing winds exacerbating wave action from boat traffic cruising the drop-off just off the proposed swim area. (see attached photo exhibit C)

II. COST

- A. Removing the sharp rocks and providing a sandy beach will not get permitted and would be egregiously expensive if it could be permitted.
- B. The existing concrete ramp would need to be removed, as it creates a safety hazard due to its steepness and disrepair.
- C. The existing boulder seawall would need to be modified to provide ADA access. For example, the height of the wall at 4 ½' would require 90' of ADA sidewalk.
- D. The ADA walkway mentioned above would need to connect to the existing handicapped parking at a code requirement of 5% slope.
- E. Site disturbance work to accommodate ADA access and safety issues would require significant grading, slope stabilization, tree protection, and hardscape surfacing. Engineering and permitting would be required at an exorbitant cost.
- F. Implementing a project of this magnitude is a six-figure budget for which the township has no funding.

Installing swim buoys implies that this park amenity is safe and code compliant. I submit that the site is neither safe nor code compliant. If buoys are installed without safety and ADA improvements, will the township insurance satisfy any injury claims or inadequate ADA access claims for this area?

For the above reasons I oppose any expenditure for swim buoys and installation at Camp Sea-Gull.

Respectfully submitted,

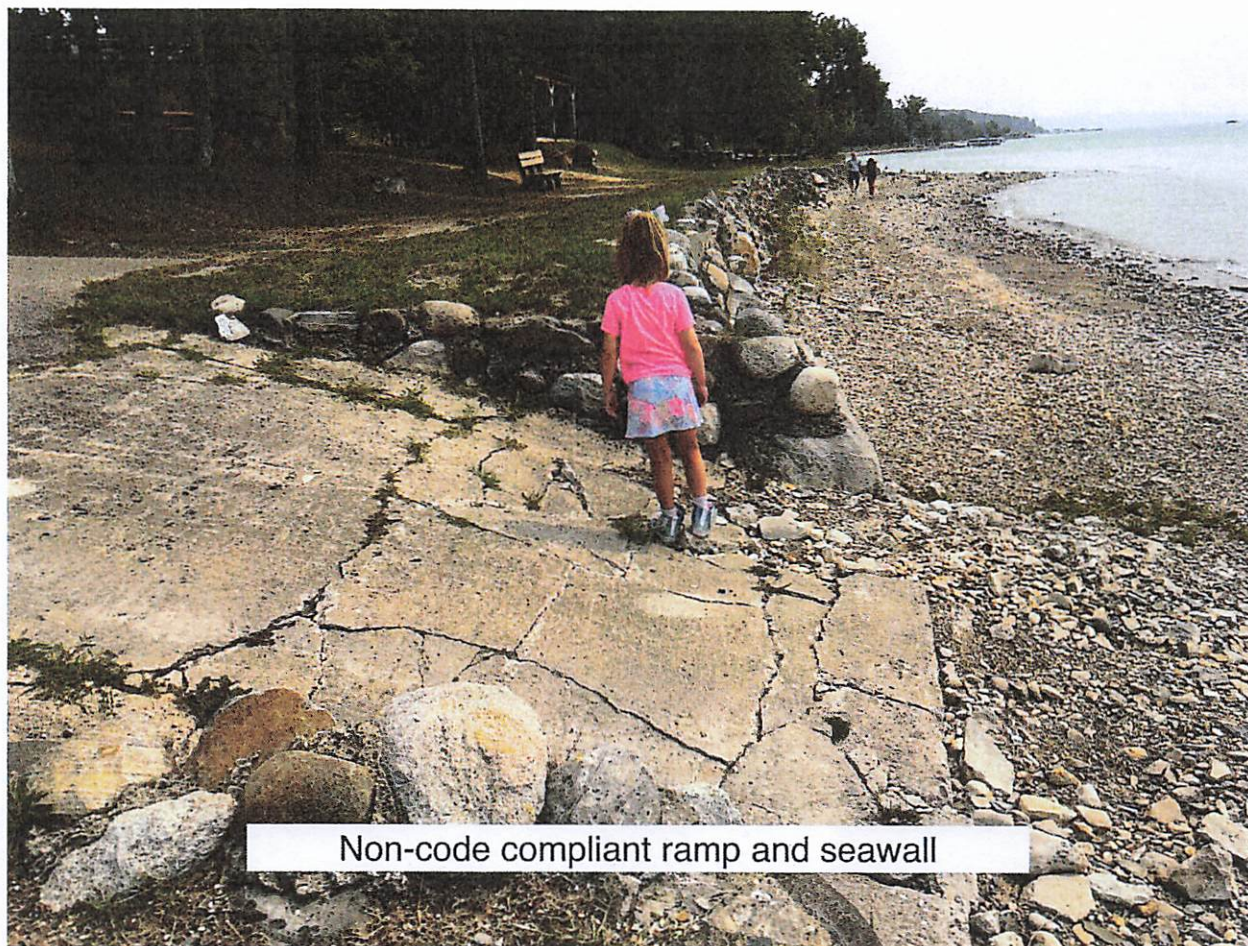
Andrew H. Balderson, RLA

EXHIBIT A



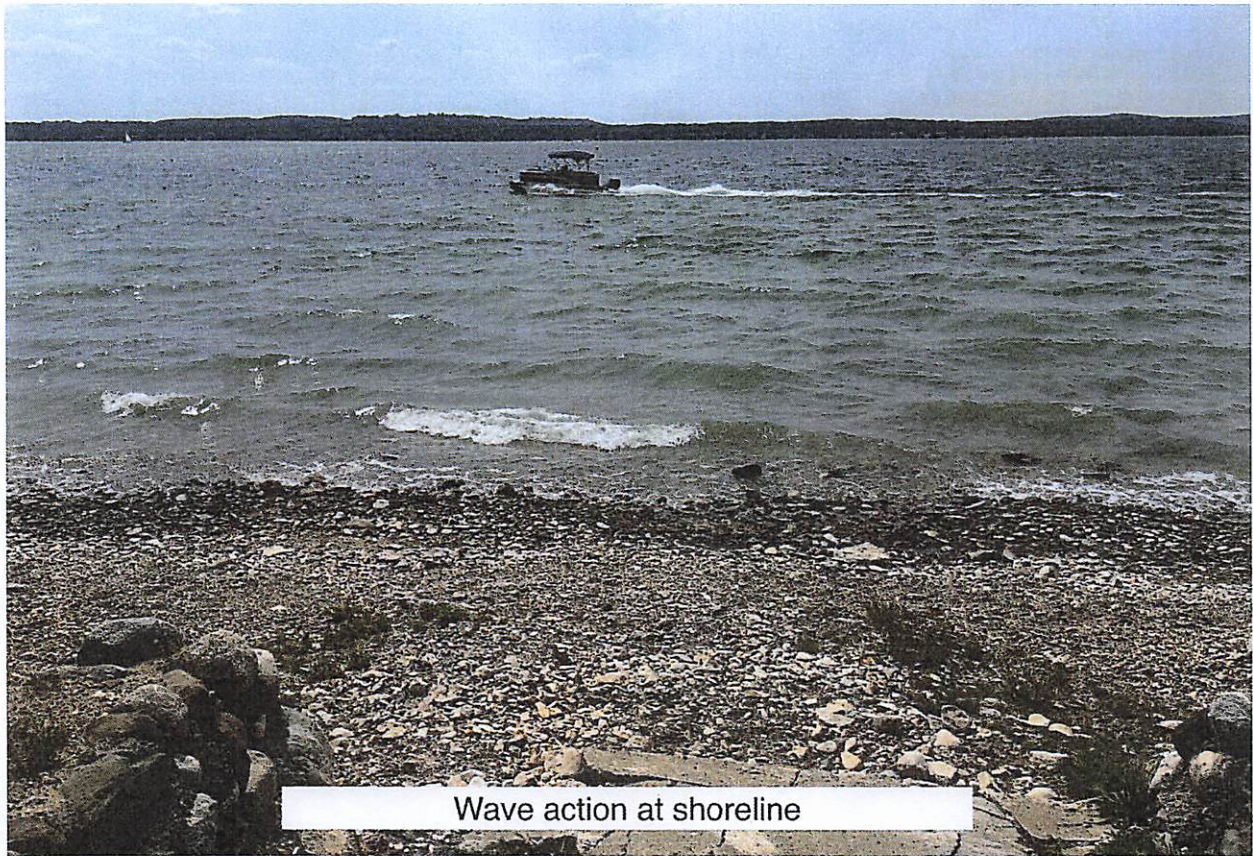
A typical sharp rock found along
Camp Sea-Gull Shoreline

EXHIBIT B



Non-code compliant ramp and seawall

EXHIBIT C



Wave action at shoreline