

GROUT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Gladwin County, MI

September 8, 2026

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Shea at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those attending.

ROLL CALL BY TREASURER:

Members present: : Supervisor: J. Shea, Treasurer: M. Hill, Trustee: R. Christie
Trustee: J. Beck excused. Clerk Fritzler absent

RESIGNATION REQUEST BY CLERK FRITZLER:

Letter received by Shea dated 8/18/2026 from Clerk Fritzler stating her resignation from the position of Grout Township Clerk effective immediately. Motion by Shea, 2nd by Christie to accept resignation, Motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer Hill submitted a letter from the township attorney concerning the process and instructions for the appointment of the new clerk. Discussion concerning interested party(s) for the position of clerk. Supervisor Shea made a motion to accept David Roggow as clerk of the township with 2nd from Christie, Motion carried 3-0.

Supervisor gives the oath of office of clerk to David Roggow and Roggow is appointed as clerk for the balance of term of office. Oath was given to Roggow by Shea and required paperwork of the Oath was signed by required parties and filed as required.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Per Hill there are no minutes for the August 12, 2026 meeting at this time.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (as of August 31, 2026)

1. General Account Balance - \$196,818.44
 - a. Interest earned on General Account in August 2026: \$47.08
2. Expense Account Balance- \$678.41 No activity in this account
3. Income Received in August 2026 - \$8,063.39
4. Balance of Mosquito Abatement account as of August 31, 2026: \$18,684.00 No activity
5. Savings account at Wildfire Credit Union remains at \$5.00. The balance of two CDs as of August 27, 2026 was \$270,209.00 with a breakdown of \$162,723.94 and \$107,485.06. Interest earned through August 27, 2026 is \$922.63. Hill noted that smaller CD will mature on September 27, 2026.
6. Roggow made motion to accept treasurers report, 2nd by Christie, motion carried with all ayes 4-0.

FIRE BOARD REPORT: (Randy Zdrojewski)

1. 2 runs in August
2. On September 11, 2026 Gladwin Rural Urban Fire Dept. will have a remembrance ceremony at the firehall to remember the events of 9/11 from 10am to 2pm. All are invited to attend.

COMMISSIONER REPORT:

1. Commissioner Winarski not in attendance, no report.

CORRESPONDANCE:

1. No correspondence.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: (5 min MAX per resident)

1. No comments by citizens.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS:

1. Following review of bills presented by Hill, Shea motioned to accept bills, 2nd by Christie to approve the bills for the month of August 2026. All ayes 4-0; motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

None Requested

JUNK CASES – Supervisor J Shea:

1. Working on the existing issue on Kerswill and will submit another letter at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Hill – EGLE Grant Update – 2 additional forms required and have been submitted. Estimated completion of 3-27.
2. The township audit that was scheduled for August 18 was rescheduled for September 15 at 9am. Hill has submitted preliminary report to auditor and the auditor feels the audit will go well
3. Discussion concerning the Land Division Act Information and letter from Attorney presented.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion concerning Quickbooks and current problem that the Payroll portion is not functioning at this time. Roggow stated he would pursue the possibility of upgrading the Quickbook program to a current platform capable of performing payroll in house and possibly saving the township the cost for others to complete this process. Additional information to be presented at the October 2026 meeting.
2. Discussion concerning the Approval of Election workers for the November General Election. Hill noted that the Gladwin County Clerk would like to see an additional Democrat added to our list of election workers. The approval of the list was tabled at this time until further information could be obtained. Scheduled for presentation at the October 2026 meeting.
3. Approval L-4029 2026 Tax Rate Request. Motion by Hill, 2nd by Shea, Motion carried 4-0.

4. Discussion concerning the acquisition of a PO Box for Township correspondence. It was discussed that this would make it easier when there is any change to positions in the township where correspondence is being sent to private homes. Hill to move forward in acquiring the PO Box at the Gladwin Post Office.
5. Discussion concerning the CD at Wildfire that is maturing September 2026. Hill states current rate is 4.110% annual rate. Motion by Roggow, 2nd by Shea to roll over the CD to another 9 month term. Motion carried with 4-0 vote.
6. Further discussion concerning solar farms and their current status. Per Shea the new farms are not on line yet but testing has begun. Discussion concerning future solar farms but Shea unsure as to the future progress as the County Moratorium is coming to an end.

ADJOURNMENT - 7:18pm

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

David Roggow

David Roggow

Grout Township Clerk