

OVERISEL TOWNSHIP  
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting  
3/10/26

**Call to Order:** Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and Clerk Lori Scholten opened with prayer.

**Members Present:** Supervisor Lisa Russcher, Treasurer Rachel Hoeve, Clerk Lori Scholten, Trustees Josh Groenheide and Ben Koopman.

**Guests:** Jim Storey reported on the decision by the Commission on Aging's decision to switch services from Community Action of Allegan Co, to Meals on Wheels. He requested the board make a resolution to switch back to CAAC.

**Minutes:** The Feb. 10, 2026 Board meeting minutes were presented for approval. Motion made by Groenheide and supported by Hoeve to approve. Motion Carried.

**Meeting Minutes** from 3/2/26 Special Meeting were read. Motion made by Hoeve and supported by Koopman to approve the minutes.

**Financial Statement** was presented for information

**Overisel Fire Department:** Fire Lieutenant Kyle Eding reported 13 calls for January. 1 quote came in for fence by Bentheim station, for \$4,300. Waiting for more quotes. Allegan Co. Fire Chief's Association is selling raffle tickets for \$20. Prize will be a custom engraved/branded Henry 30-30 Lever Action Rifle edition. Drawing will be at April 15. For tickets, see Kyle, Fire Chief Kooinga, or Allegan Co. Fire Dept.

**Overisel/Fillmore Deputy:** Deputy Wei Chen reported 20 calls for last month.

**Zoning Report:** Groenheide reported, Board of Appeals approved a zoning variance.

**Treasurer:** Hoeve reported tax payments. Hamilton Schools is staying with a 2times/year tax collection, although Zeeland Public Schools will be moving to 100% winter tax collection only instead of summer and winter.

**Clerk:** An Operating Millage Renewal Proposal election for Zeeland Public School residents will be held Tuesday, May 5, at the Overisel Township Hall.

**Supervisor:** Russcher reported the monitoring well is operational. Annual Budget Hearing will be Monday, March 23, at 7:30 pm.

**Motions:**

1. After much discussion, a motion made by Groenheide and supported by Hoeve, to hire Allegan County to mow the sides of the road next summer and sell the tractor and mower, instead of hiring it out locally. Motion carried.
2. Motion made by Russcher and supported by Koopman to accept Clerk Lori Scholten's March 31 resignation, and to approve appointing Paula Scholten as the new Clerk. She will be sworn in April 1. Motion carried.
3. Motion made by Scholten and supported by Koopman to approve the PA-116 request by Jeff Hoeve for 10 years on 35.72 acres. Motion carried. Application will now be sent to W. Mi. Reg. Planning Bd. And Conservation District for their approval.
4. Motion made by Groenheide and supported by Koopman to approve the purchase of a weed whacker and attachment for cemetery mowing for the cost of \$729. Motion carried.
5. A motion was made by Hoeve and supported by Scholten to approve the replacement of the Culvert on 38<sup>th</sup> St., near 147<sup>th</sup> for a cost of \$38,500. Motion carried.
6. Motion was made by Hoeve and supported by Groenheide to approve paying the bills as presented. Motion carried.
7. Motion made by Scholten and supported by Groenheide that the meeting stand adjourned. Motion carried.

**Next Meetings:**

The Annual Budget Hearing will be Monday, March 23, at 7:30 pm.

The next meeting Overisel Township Board of trustees will be held Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 7:30 pm at the Overisel Township Hall. Presentation of the Annual Financial Statement will be following the regular meeting.

Lori Scholten, Clerk