



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND

205 N. John Street - Auditorium - Highland, Michigan 48357 248/887-3791

REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SYNOPSIS

August 31, 2026 - 6:30 P.M.

Call Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll

Approval of Agenda – Approved with Revision: Consent Agenda Item 4 Jacob Probe will serve for the remainder of existing term vacated by Michael Borg ending January 1, 2027

Consent Agenda Approved:

1. August 10, 2026 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes
2. List of Bills dated August 20, 2026 plus additions
3. Budget Amendment to cover increased hours for the HDDA Part-Time Assistant
4. Appoint Jacob Probe from a Substitute Member to a Full Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals to complete a vacated term from September 2, 2026 to January 1, 2027

Receive and File:

1. Building Department Report – July 2026
2. Ordinance Report – July 2026
3. Highland Activity Center Reports and Minutes – July 2026
4. Library Reports – July 2026
5. Financial Reports – July 2026
6. Treasurer's Report – July 2026
7. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes – June 3 and June 17, 2026
8. HDDA Minutes – June 25th (Working Session) and July 8, 2026 (Regular Board Meeting)
9. OCSO Stat Report – July 2026

Announcements:

- We are sad to share news of the passing of Scott Green on August 25, 2026. Scott was appointed to the Planning Commission March 2014, elected Chair in February 2019 and retired from serving on the Planning Commission February of 2023 – his service to the Township was valued and he will be greatly missed
- Township Offices will be Closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day
- Free Community Health Fair on Friday, September 11th from 9am-2pm at the Highland Activity Center featuring free health screenings, information, Michigan SOS Mobile Unit on-site and much more
- Highland Farmers' Market is every Saturday from 10am-2pm in front of the Township Hall and will be open through October 3rd - Special theme market days are September 12th (Tailgate party) and October 3rd (Trick or treat & family costume parade)

- The next Talk of the Town meeting will be Wednesday, October 20th at 6pm in the Township Auditorium and the topic will be the Township Fire Department and fire millage

Public Comment:

Several residents spoke out with their concerns and questions about the recent increase of water rates for the Township water system. A resident expressed support for the Fire Department millage that will be on the November ballot.

Presentation:

Congratulations Breanna Cleaveland for successfully completing the HTFD Field Training Program

New Business:

1. Consider hiring Amber Anderson-Swift as Part-Time Bookkeeping/Assistant/Payroll Administrator - **Approved**
2. Consider Authorizing the Township Supervisor to execute the SEMCOG Planning Assistance Grant/Pass-Through Agreement - **Approved**
3. Introduce Zoning Amendment Z-040 to rezone a portion of Parcel 11-27-327-015 (formerly Dee's Cafe) from C-1, Local Commercial Zoning District to C-2, General Commercial Zoning District with special approval for special use for taxidermy with consideration of approval set for September 14, 2026 - **Introduced**
4. Consider the Special Land Use Permit for Day Six Wildlife Studios, LLC, for 1415 S. Milford Road Parcel 11-27-327-015, contingent on the approval to rezone to C-2, General Commercial Zoning District with the offer of conditions as considered under a separate item – **Approved**
5. Introduce Ordinance No 473, and Ordinance to enact a Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers with consideration of approval set for September 14, 2026 - **Introduced**

Adjourned: 8:26 p.m.