

Essex Township- Minutes of the Monthly Meeting

June 17, 2026 @ 7:30pm

Members Present: Supervisor Eric Verlinde, Clerk Tim Karasek, Treasurer Kathy George, Isreal O'Boyle, Gabe Warnke.

Visitors: Zach Rudat-Clinton County Commissioner, Sara Morrison-Briggs Library, Malissa Schutt-Blue Bus.

Call to Order: Township Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:30pm followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Visitor Statements:

Sara Morrison-Briggs Library:

- Adding new online services such as Brain HQ.
- The "This and That Collection" added "fishing poles" thanks to Hank.
- Hired a new employee.
- Summer theme is "Dinosaurs!"
- Presentation on milage renewal.

Zach Rudat-County Commissioner:

- County has a milage renewal on the August ballot.
- Steph Shaffer now on the County Planning Board.
- Beginning to put more staff back into planning.
- Financial Audit went well.

Malissa Schutt-Clinton Transit:

- Discussion on the annual report and operations of the Transit System.
- Looking to expand into Ingham County.
- New maintenance facility will be complete August 2026.

Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting:

M. Kathy George, **S.** Eric Verlinde, **MCU**

Additions and Approval of the Agenda:

M. Tim Karasek, **S.** Kathy George, **MCU**

Trustee Report: Gabe Warnke:

- Discussion on the future of ambulance service within Essex Township and the CAASA Report as presented in email by Kathy George.

Motion: Accept the Trustee Report as presented.

M. Eric Verlinde, **S.** Gabe Warnke: **MCU**

Treasurer Report: Kathy George

- Discussion on Transaction Detail by Account Report.
- NSF check discussion on taxpayer. Invoice mailed.
- Future audit providers discussed.
- Summer Newsletter complete.

Motion: Accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

M. Tim Karasek, **S.** Eric Verlinde: **MCU**

Clerks Report: Tim Karasek

- Discussion on Budget Reports.

Motion: Accept the Clerk's report as presented.

M. Eric Verlinde, **S.** Kathy George: **MCU**

Supervisors Report: Eric Verlinde,

- Discussion on the new web site design as required by the American Disabilities Act. Website almost complete.
- Cemetery Update on Mausoleum damage from storm.

Motion: Accept the supervisors report as presented.

M. Kathy George, **S.** Gabe Warnke, **MCU**

Old Business: None

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn 8:50pm.

M. Kathy George, **S.** Eric Verlinde. **MCU**

Next Meeting August 19, 2026 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Timothy Karasek

Essex Township Clerk