

**Bergland Fire Hall
Bergland Township Board Meeting
January 16, 2025 at 6:30pm**

Jack Otlewis, Supervisor, called the meeting to order. 6:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Christy Franklin

Roll Call:

John Berglund-Trustee excused absence, Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee, Christy Franklin-Clerk, Jack Otlewis-Supervisor. Shawna Lundwall-Treasurer excused absence.

Public Hearing for the 2025 – 2029 Recreation Plan opened at 6:32 pm by Jack Otlewis – Supervisor.
There were no comments regarding the Recreation Plan.

Public hearing closed at 6: 33 pm

Public Comment:

Public Comment open at 6:33 pm

Tobi Trotochaud, Cynthia and Rodney Ellsworth have deeded over south side of the Merriweather Pavilion, Lot 8, Block 1 in Merriweather next to the Merriweather Park. Christy Franklin – Clerk made a motion to accept the property on the south side of the Merriweather Pavilion, Lot 8 Block 1, Jack Otlewis – Supervisor seconded the motion, all in favor motion carried.

Public Comment Closed at 6:40 pm.

Treasurer's Report:

Shawna Lundwall – Treasurer absent.

Supervisor's Report:

Jack Otlewis – Supervisor introduced the new Utilities Superintendent Nicholas Negri.

Utilities Superintendent:

Nicholas Negri has nothing to report.

Zoning Administrator:

Absent no report was sent.

Planning Commission:

Wendy Savola– Planning Commission discussed the Planning Commission meeting on 01/09/2025.

Fire Chief:

Brad Huettl – Fire Chief discussed the Fire Department meeting held on 12/04/2024.

Christy Franklin – Clerk made a motion to amend and accept the agenda to add the acceptance of new employee Utilities Superintendent Nicholas Negri. Jack Otlewis - Supervisor, seconded the motion, all in favor motion carried.

Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee made a motion to approve the minutes from December 19, 2024, Christy Franklin – Clerk seconded the motion, all in favor motion carried.

Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee motioned to approve the Warrants, Christy Franklin – Clerk seconded the motion, Roll Call Vote, Christy Franklin – Clerk -Aye, Jack Otlewis – Supervisor – Aye, Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee Aye, Motion carried.

Christy Franklin – Clerk made a motion to officially hire Nicholas Negri as Utilities Superintendent, Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee seconded the motion, all in favor motion carried.

Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee made a motion to adopt the Investment Policy Adoption Resolution, Jack Otlewis – Supervisor seconded the motion, all in favor motion carried.

Christy Franklin – Clerk made a motion to accept the 2025-2029 Recreation Plan, Jack Otlewis – Supervisor seconded the motion, all in favor motion carried.

Jack Otlewis - Supervisor made a motion to approve the purchase of a mower and snowblower from an estate sale in the amount of \$2,200.00, Christy Franklin - Clerk seconded the motion, Roll Call Vote, Christy Franklin – Clerk Aye, Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee Aye, Jack Otlewis - Supervisor Aye, Motion carried.

Christy Franklin – Clerk made a motion to appoint the Supervisor Jack Otlewis to facilitate the hiring and disciplinary actions of Township employees and that no final action can be taken unless brought to the Township Board for final approval, Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee seconded the motion, all in favor motion carried.

Jerald Wuorenmaa-Trustee motioned to adjourn the meeting, Christy Franklin – Clerk seconded the motion, all in favor meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

*Christy Franklin
Clerk*