CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PORTSMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MAY 18, 2026 – REGULAR MEETING

The Charter Township of Portsmouth Board of Trustees held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 18, 2026, in the conference room at 1711 W. Cass Ave. Rd. Bay City, Michigan.

Supervisor Pawlak called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Corrion Bukowski, M. VanDriessche, Brandt, Kokaly and Pawlak. Trustee G. VanDriessche was excused.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by Brandt to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by M. Vandriessche to approve the minutes of the 4-20-26 meeting with the correction of the approved amount for Danak Subdivision and Michigan Ave. from $138,605 to $168,605. Motion carried.

Motion by Bukowski and supported by Corrion to approve the financial reports from March and April and place them on file. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

The M-15 Garage sales were a success.

We received a report from a resident that Cnudde is encroaching on our section of the Railtrail.

ROADS UPDATE:

The Road Commission has approved two miles of work on Jones Rd and two miles of work on Green Rd.

WATER UPDATE:

The Water Dept. has received funding for two five-million-gallon tanks.

ZONING ORDINANCE:

The Board of Trustees had a first reading of the proposed Zoning Ordinance changes.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

Trustee Brandt presented Board members with the 2025 Planning Commission Annual Report.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by Bukowski to receive the report and place it on file. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

We had two people looking into quotes for the hall and office doors. Ponder Door and Jablonski Builders.

Our Grant applications for a Pickle Ball Court were declined. The original quotes we got were $23,204 and $29,164.

NEW BUSINESS:

We received an application and check from Metro Fibernet, LLC for access and ongoing use of public ways by telecommunications providers.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by Corrion that the Application for Access to and Ongoing Use of Public Ways by Telecommunications Providers Under Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Rights-Of-Way Oversight Act 2002 PA 48 MCL Sections 484.3101 to 484.32120 submitted by Metro Fibernet, LLC be approved. Yeas: Kokaly, Corrion, Bukowski, M. VanDriessche, Brandt and Pawlak. Nays: None. Excused: G. VanDriessche. Motion carried.

Motion by Brandt and supported by M. VanDriessche that the approved bills be paid from the General Fund. Yeas: Brandt, M. VanDriessche, Corrion, Bukowski, Kokaly and Pawlak. Nays: None. Excused: G. VanDriessche. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chief Stefaniak reported that Fire Academy Graduation is at Kawkawlin Township Hall on Thursday May 21st at 6:00 p.m. We have two firefighters graduating.

Ken DeWyse reported that 15 building permits were issued since he last reported.

A written report was submitted by Joe DeWyse, Zoning Administrator/Building Official.

Motion by Bukowski and supported by Corrion to receive the report. Motion carried.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by M. VanDriessche that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Robert Pawlak, Supervisor

Judith F. Bukowski, Clerk