CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PORTSMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JUNE 15, 2026 – REGULAR MEETING

The Charter Township of Portsmouth Board of Trustees held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 15, 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: Brandt, Corrion, Bukowski, G. VanDriessche, Kokaly, M. VanDriessche and Pawlak.

Motion by G. VanDriessche and supported by Brandt to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

There was no public present for comment.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by M. VanDriessche to approve the minutes of the 5-18-2026 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by VanDriessche and supported by Corrion to accept the Treasurer's Report and place it on file. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT:

Balance 5-31-2026	$2,281,853.21
Revenues	23,374.87
Expenses	82,763.94
Change in W/H	447.00
Balance 6-30-2026	$2,222,017.14

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Sand for the volleyball court and mulch for the playground should be done by next month. Doors will be done next year so we can budget better for the handicap type of doors. Summer Newsletters will be going out this week. Bob attended a very nice ceremony for our two newest firefighters

We don't have a report from Joe DeWyse so Bob just pointed out some issues that are ongoing. Weber's on M-15 has junk on the south end and derby cars on the north end. The U-Haul operation is permitted but he should have gone back to the Planning Commission. We have received complaints regarding auto parts being sold at that site. The parts don't work. McClean at the spook house said that we need to tell him what needs to be done and he will do it. Road work is done in the subdivision.

The Board had the second reading of the Zoning Ordinance.

Motion by Corrion and supported by Brandt that the new restated Zoning Ordinance and maps be adopted. Yeas: Corrion, Brandt, Bukowski, M. VanDriessche, G. VanDriessche, Kokaly and Pawlak. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cost estimates for a new port a john and drinking fountain at the rail trail are $2.500 to $4.000. It was suggested that we have the picnic table cemented in. We received a complaint that Cnudde is encroaching on the rail trail. Bob will contact him.

Our application for a national fitness grant, to be used on the pickleball court, was not successful.

Motion by Brandt and supported by Corrion to hire the lowest bidder unless we can secure a grant writer for $2,500.00 or less. Yeas: Brandt, Corrion, Bukowski, Kokaly, G. VanDriessche, M. VanDriessche and Pawlak. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Corrion and supported by Brandt that the approved bills be paid from the General Fund. Yeas: Corrion, Brandt, Bukowski, M. VanDriessche, G. VanDriessche, Kokaly and Pawlak. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chief Stefaniak is attempting to apply for an Assistance to Firefighters Grand to replace our Hydraulic Hurst tools with battery powered tools. If we secure the grant it would be $50,000.

More problems with the engine.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by Corrion to approve up to $20,000. For repairs. Motion carried.

Motion by G. VanDriessche and supported by Kokaly to approve the hiring of two probationary firefighters, Nathan Coyer and Scott LaMont Jr. Motion carried.

Building Inspector Ken Dewyse reported that he issued 15 permits since our last meeting.

Motion by Kokaly and supported by M. VanDriessche that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Robert Pawlak, Supervisor Judith F. Bukowski, Clerk