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SPECIAL MEETING

TOWNSHIP BOARD

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2025, 9:00AM

BILLINGS TOWNSHIP HALL  
1050 ESTEY RD  
BEAVERTON, MI 48612

Agenda Topic:

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**BILLINGS TOWNSHIP**  
**Special Meeting**  
**August 06, 2025**  
**9:00 A.M.**

**Call to Order:** Linda McSweyn, Clerk called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the absence of the Supervisor.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge of Allegiance led by Linda McSweyn

Linda McSweyn, Clerk asked for a motion to select a moderator to chair the meeting. Len Pytlak was nominated by Cindy Whittington, 2<sup>nd</sup> By Brian Johnson. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motioned Carries.

Linda McSweyn turned the meeting over to Len Pytlak.

**Board Roll Call:** Brian Johnson, Cindy Whittington, Len Pytlak, Linda McSweyn.

**Absent:** Tim Mester

**Public Comments:** None

**Approval of Agenda:** One addition to the agenda to appoint two people to do the signing of documents in the absence of the Supervisor. Cindy Whittington motioned to approve the agenda with the addition for August 6, 2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

A) **WWTP Contract:** Contract with Infrastructure Alternatives, INC., increased to \$160,000.00 - \$180,000.00. Another company, Great Lake Water Operations LLC (David DeGrand, Owner and former Plant Manager of our WWTP) has submitted a bid for \$141,000.00. Brian Johnson wants to give Infrastructure a seven (7) day notice to cancel contract and hire Great Lakes Water Operations LLC and hire the current workers and not increase the usage fees. Linda McSweyn asked if David DeGrand had plans to hire WWTP staff currently Operating the plant and if yes, would the contract be amended to incorporate the hiring of the WWTP staff that is operating the plant. David DeGrand answered that his plans did include hiring the staff currently operating the Plant and has agreed to amend the contract to state the hiring of WWTP currently operating the plant staff and also will have additional staff for vacations & sick leaves. Cindy Whittington motioned to give Infrastructure a Seven (7) day notice, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion Carried. Brian Johnson stated he will call and send Infrastructure a letter Brian Johnson motioned to hire Great Lakes Water Operations LLC with the amendment to the contract, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cindy Whittington. Roll Call: Brian Johnson – Yes, Cindy Whittington - Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes. Motioned Carried.

B) **Discussion on Rod Taylor Proposal:** Brian Johnson received a letter from Rod Taylor to assist in developing a review of our Sewer Fund Budget, associated rates. The Board discussed terms and objectives that were outlined in the letter. The fees and costs at \$7,500.00 - \$9,000.00. Cindy Whittington motioned to hire Rod Taylor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. Roll Call: Brian Johnson - Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes and Linda McSweyn – Yes. Motion Carried.

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**New Business (Cont.):**

C) Assign someone to sign documents: The board discussed having Len Pytlak and/or Linda McSweyn assigned to sign documents when the Supervisor is absent. The Board decided to have both available when necessary. Cindy Whittington motioned approval for Linda McSweyn and Len Pytlak temporarily to sign documents and create a resolution to make the change permanent. 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

**Public Comments:** Monty Wiseman spoke on sludge removal, 600 people paying the debt, just wanted clarity. MaryAnn Gieraltowski also wanted clarity. What does GLWO stand for: Great Lakes Water Operations LLC is the new Wastewater Treatment Plant managing company. Explain what Rod Taylor was being hired for? To conduct a study and an analysis of the Sewer funds, budget, and fees to provide a summary of findings and recommendations. Greg Bate at 1131 Creek Rd thanked the board for what they did for him; Greg appreciated it.

**Board Comments:** Len talked about the usage fees.

**Adjournment:** Len Pytlak motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 a.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays. Motioned Carried.

Minutes taken by Rose Malott, Township Deputy Clerk

Minutes approved at Billings Township Board meeting\_\_\_\_\_.

DATE

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**TIMOTHY MESTER, SUPERVISOR**

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**LINDA J. MCSWEYN, CLERK**