

**Hamilton Township Board Special Meeting Minutes-Budget Hearing
May 26, 2026 @ 6:00pm at Hamilton Township Hall, 3042 N. Rodgers, Harrison, MI**

Board Members Present: Mike Conway, Mike Iutzi, Gerald Tom Vaughn, Denise Goodenow, Andrea Wallace

Guest Count: 0 Residents: 4

CALLED TO ORDER: by Vaughn at 6:00pm, followed by invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda made by Wallace, seconded by Iutzi; all in favor. **MC**

DISCUSS PROPOSED 2026-2027 BUDGET:

Copies of the budget were available for public inspection.

Wallace went over some items that were noticed for the 2025-2026 fiscal year:

State Grants-Other: Safety grant of \$2365 and \$84.63. The safety grant can only be used on certain things and I am getting clarification from MTA, but I believe 25% can go toward fire.

Cemetery: We had a lot of burials this year; more than normal

Royalties-Cable is down

Wallace presented the board with highlights of the 2026-2027 Budget:

Road Millage is listed on the budget, but keep in mind this is only if the road millage passes at the August Election.

Building and Zoning Permits will be considerably less in 2026-2027 because we lowered the fees.

Revenue Sharing will be about \$7,000 less.

Interest is doing great between the ICS account, CDs, and checking account.

Gym: I expect the fees to decline as the City and Hayes have pickleball courts. Ours is used more in the winter.

An increase of rubbish and recycling to \$18.24 per month, per unit, as agreed in the Republic Services contract.

Collection of the Special Assessment District of the entire Township, to assess funds for fire protection, at \$35 per parcel. In 2027 fire protection will cost \$86,871.38.

Wallace went over the budget line by line noting if anything had changed or stayed the same. Discussions were made and agreed to up cemetery contractual service, cemetery lawn and plowing, and put \$1,000 for township hall improvements.

PUBLIC HEARING: Motion to open Public Hearing at 6:34pm made by Wallace, seconded by Conway; all in favor. **MC**

One comment was heard asking about the safety grant.

Motion to close Public Hearing at 6:36pm made by Wallace, seconded by Iutzi; all in favor. **MC**

DISCUSS BUDGET: Nothing left to discuss

ADJOURNED: Motion by Conway to adjourn at 6:37pm, seconded by Goodenow; all in favor. **MC**