

**Isabella Township Meeting**  
**January 6, 2025**

**The Isabella Township Regular Board Meeting** was called to order by Supervisor Rick Ervin at 7:00 p.m. at the Isabella Township Hall. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Rick Ervin.

**Present:** Robert Walton, Linda Bechtel, Rick Ervin, Thomas Reihl, and Kristin Derby.

**Approval of Agenda:** Rick Ervin moved to approve the agenda, supported by Thomas Reihl. Agenda approved.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes were read and reviewed from the December 2, 2024, regular business meeting. Thomas Reihl made a motion, seconded by Robert Walton, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Brian Smith, the new county administrator, introduced himself and gave his vision for his position and answered questions.

Rob Evans, fire chief, asked the board to commit \$120,000 from the Egle Grant for a new fire rescue truck. The estimated total is \$147,000 and the fire board will cover the rest. The board maintains that \$120,000 of the Egle Grant is dedicated to the fire dept for a rescue vehicle.

[Robert Walton made a resolution, seconded by Thomas Reihl, to create Ordinance 25-0106, an ordinance to regulate partitioning or division of parcels or tracts of land, enacted pursuant but not limited to Michigan Public Act 288 of 1967, as amended; to provide a procedure therefore; to repeal any ordinance or provision thereof in conflict herewith. A roll call vote was taken. All members in attendance approved. Resolution passed. Resolution #010625-1]

Rick Ervin made a motion, supported by Thomas Reihl, to allow Tim Marrow an 8:1 ratio for the purchase of the back parcel of land. Motion passed.

[Rick Ervin made a resolution, seconded by Robert Walton, to approve a boundary adjustment land division as presented for Rosebush Manor with parcel # 91-014-00-290-01. A roll call vote was taken. All board members in attendance approved. Resolution passed. Resolution #010625-2]

Rick Ervin made a motion, supported by Thomas Reihl, to adopt an intercounty agreement with the Register of Deeds of Isabella County, agreeing not to sell or distribute their material but to keep for internal use only. A roll call vote was taken. All board members in attendance approved. Motion passed.

**Financial Report:** Linda Bechtel presented the Treasurer's report. Thomas Reihl made a motion, seconded by Robert Walton, to accept the financial report with an ending balance of \$731,056.23. A roll call vote was taken. All board members in attendance approved. Motion passed.

Kristin Derby presented the bills. Rick Ervin made a motion, seconded by Thomas Reihl, to pay checks #1887-#1913. A roll call vote was taken. All board members in attendance approved to pay vouchers as presented. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

- Fire Dept is looking to increase the budget. The board agrees we can handle the increase.
- We did not receive 2% for Isabella Road, we only received our general allocation of \$9861.10.
- We will be hiring UHY to do year end reports.

**Public Comment:** A question was asked about the money we will receive from the solar panels.

**Adjournment:** Rick Ervin moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Thomas Reihl. **Meeting declared adjourned.**