VIENNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 13, 2026

CYNTHIA J. BRYAN, CLERK

Roll Call: **Present:** Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson
Absent: None

Public Hearing: 2027 Fiscal Year Budget

Moved by Bryan supported by Thompson, to open the public hearing at 5:31PM. All in Favor

Bryan stated the purpose of the public hearing was to hear questions or concerns on the proposed 2027 Fiscal Year Budget.

Public Comment:

Three calls for public comment were made.
There was no public comment.

Board Comment:

Three calls for board comment were made.
There was no board comment.

Moved by Bryan, supported by Thompson, to close the public hearing at 5:32PM. All in Favor

Previous Minutes: September 14, 2026. Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to approve the minutes of September 14, 2026, with any changes or corrections.
All in favor

Bills: Bills in the amount of $30,845.35 were presented. Moved by Thompson, supported by Bryan to approve the payment of bills in the amount of $30,845.35.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson
Nays – None Motion carried

Treasurer Report: Thompson said included in your board packet are the August revenue and expense report and the August treasurers report, showing a general fund balance as of August 31st in the amount of $8,291,188.52. The summer tax season ended on September 14th. We are still taking late taxes here in the office, another 1% will be added per month. Please get those paid up to date. We have cleaned up some delinquent personal property taxes over the last six months and brought in about $26,000.00. I talked with some business owners that had delinquent personal property and really stressed to them that if they qualify, they can be exempt under the small business taxpayer exemption. Several of them will be taking advantage of that if they haven't already. So that was good news.

Building Report: Rizk said we had two new homes and 14 roof replacements. Looking at the buildings that are completed, one being Goodwill, which will have their grand opening next week. We've got several other things ready to start. Culver's being one and another program that will be probably discussing in our next meeting.

Planning Report: Thompson reported that last month, Culver's came before the Planning Commission for their site plan and their special land use, and it was approved.

ZBA: Bryan said ZBA has held two (2) meetings since our last board meeting. The technical school on Vienna Road that's taking over the Mac Fitness building was approved. There was conditional approval for some variances on a storage facility on Saginaw Street.

Library Report: Thompson said included in your board packet are the August 2026 library financials. The library meeting will be on Wednesday.

Senior Center Report: SThomas reported the bus is back from repairs. They will be going to Soaring Eagle on October 14th. And there will be a Mystery Color Tour on October 19th.

Fire Authority Report: Bryan reported we have received the extrication equipment that was mentioned at our last board meeting. There's one (1) for each station. And the firefighters are going to be working on training and figuring out how to mount that equipment onto the fire trucks. There have been four (4) newly hired firefighters that have started the fire academy, and that is a six-month training program. So, in six months we should have four (4) new firefighters. The fire department just installed their last nine (9) smoke alarms. We're at a point where hopefully there's some grants or businesses that can help with more smoke alarms because the state now has eliminated that program. This year

alone, they had installed 123 smoke alarms. The annual open house will be held on Thursday, October 22nd from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Station One. And then also the firemen will be participating in several community Halloween events throughout the month of October. As you know, there's always all kinds of trunk or treats and so they do as many as they can. They are still going to have their Halloween celebration at Station One on Halloween night from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., which are the same hours as the township trick or treating hours. We had discussion tonight, that we must look at purchasing another aerial truck. The one that we have right now is 25 years old. They usually take three (3) to five (5) years to build, and we would need to come up with the capital for it, because right now that truck will cost approximately $2.2 million. By having that, it gives our firefighters an advantage as far as getting up to roofs or second second-story buildings, doing some rescues. I found out tonight that there is an insurance rating that we get that also helps detour some of the costs for business and residential homeowners insurance. We did approve a committee to start looking into that.

BDA Report: Director Maxwell said our last newsletter for the year is out. Culver's is coming. I spoke with a gentleman who presented Culver's to the Planning commission about some of the grants that the BDA has available, and he relayed them to the person in charge, and he was interested. They plan on applying for them. And he did say to me that they are aiming for a March 2027 opening. Ollie's is scheduled to open November 4th. They are having their grand opening on that day. They have not indicated a time. If we do find out a particular time and if they're having a ribbon cutting, we will let everyone know. Joe mentioned that Goodwill is scheduled to open on October 22nd. Their ribbon cutting is at 8:30 a.m. M-66 Fuel, next to Applebee's, looks like it's getting ready to open. It looks like it's stocked. Showcase Auto held their grand opening on September 22nd. That was a very nice time. They also utilized the Property Improvement Grant, the Landscape Grant, and the Knox Box Grant. Cascara Coffee, where Big Chicken was in Leo's Plaza, is having their grand opening and ribbon cutting on Friday the 16th at 11 a.m. They are having buy one, get one free drinks as well. And finally, thank you, to those who attended the Bridge Park Fall Cleanup. We partner with independent Bank every year on Columbus Day to do that, and they generously donated $1,500 to Bridge Park. We had a record 17 volunteers, which was unheard of.

Parks and Rec: Thomas said we had our zombie walk trunk or treat on October 10th. It was a huge success. We had 31 trunks, ten more than last year. We had 2073 votes for best trunk. Votes are by the kids. We estimated there were over 4000 people there at the event. It is a growing event, and we are making new plans for next year. Family farm and home are going to supply us with a petting zoo next year. It was a great event. There were so many people there, it was just a

great event. Tommy's going to have an article in the Herald about the event. We are going to vote on by-laws on the 21st. In account at this time there is $8,294.21.

Sports Complex Report: Thomas reported the sports complex was a short meeting. We discussed the pavilion concrete project. The estimated cost of projects $8,100. They're trying to have it done before winter. That was the main discussion of the meeting. They had their color run. I heard it went very well. We have the financial report along with football posted on tonight's meeting. We have not had a report from baseball or soccer in four months, which concerned me regarding the lease agreement. A monthly report must be presented to the board every month. I have requested that report.

Supervisor Report: Rizk stated I think I need to bring to the board's attention that we have one more meeting with Tom Brady and Rick Johnson here, because after November, they no longer will be on this board. And I'm sure we'll have some things to talk about in November. We get some anonymous letters just so everybody's aware. And they come to the supervisor and the latest one I got was about blight. We are so busy in code enforcement with the complaints that are turned in that our code enforcer does not have the time to drive around looking for other things to write up. I think people have this misconception that he has nothing to do when he receives probably 20 complaints a week minimum, that requires him to go out there, take pictures, write a citation, if necessary, take care of correcting the problem and organizing a court date or a resolution to the problem. I think that when nothing appears to happen, people have this misconception that nothing's being done. There's a lot being done behind the scenes. So, it's important to note that we have a great code enforcer. It's important to note that in July of 2027, we will start a project with Mdot and the Road Commission on replacing the bridge at Linden and Field Road. You're going to be looking at the budget today. There are many different portions of this budget. We must approve each individual portion of that budget. Our in-house accountant, Michelle Falardeau, spends a great deal of time on this budget. Once the budget is approved, January 1st, she starts on the next year's budget. That's how important this budget is. It becomes the responsibility of the township supervisor under charter township laws.

Additions/Changes: None

Correspondence: eMail - UofM, Data Centers
Letter(s) - State of Michigan, Adult Foster Care Licenses
Letter - Resident Opinion Flock Cameras
Report(s) - Sheriff's Department Activity Report

Public Comment: Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting, and such comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person.

None

New Business:

1. **2027 Fiscal Year Budgets**

   a. **2027 General Fund**
   Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve the 2027 General Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk
Nays – None Motion carried

   b. **2027 Building Fund**
   Moved by Bryan, supported by JThomas to approve the 2027 Building Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas –Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan
Nays – None Motion carried

   c. **2027 Senior Center Fund**
   Moved by Bryan, supported by JThomas to approve the 2027 Senior Center Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson
Nays – None Motion carried

   d. **2027 Community Development Fund**
   Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to approve the 2027 Community Development Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas
Nays – None Motion carried

e. 2027 Sewer Fund

Moved by Bryan, supported by Thompson to approve the 2027 Sewer Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas
Nays – None Motion carried

f. 2027 Water Fund

Moved by Bryan, supported by JThomas to approve the 2027 Water Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron
Nays – None Motion carried

g. 2027 OPEB Medical Retirement Fund

Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to approve the 2027 OPEB Medical Retirement Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson
Nays – None Motion carried

h. 2027 Sanitation Fund

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve the 2027 Sanitation Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk
Nays – None Motion carried

i. 2027 Capital Projects Fund

Moved by Bryan, supported by Thompson to approve the 2027 Capital Projects Fund Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas –Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan
Nays – None Motion carried

2. 2027 BDA Budget

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve the 2027 BDA Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson
Nays – None Motion carried

3. Resolution 11-09-26-20 - Fifth Amendment to Storm Water

Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to Adopt Resolution 11-09-26-20, to approve the Fifth Amendment to the Genesee County Phase II Regulations Storm Water Management Contract.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas
Nays – None Motion carried

4. Drinking Fountain and Bottle Filler

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve agreement with Staley's for bi-level drinking fountain with bottle filler and removal of second drinking fountain in the amount of $3,799.00, as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas
Nays – None Motion carried

5. Snow Removal 2026-2027

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve contract with T's Lawn Care and Snow Removal for snow removal services in 2026-2027 at the seasonal fixed prices presented of $11,000 for the Township complex, $8,000 for the Sheriff's Department, and $11,000 for the Senior Center, with the option to renew for an additional four (4) one (1) year periods upon mutual agreement.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Johnson, Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron
Nays – None Motion carried

6. Senior Services Millage Agreement

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve agreement with Genesee County Senior Services for Senior Citizens Services Millage from October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027, as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson
Nays – None Motion carried

7. 2027 Holiday Schedule

Moved by Bryan, supported by JThomas to approve 2027 Holiday Schedule as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas – Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk
Nays – None Motion carried

8. 2027 Meeting Schedule

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve the 2027 Meeting Schedule as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Yeas –Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan
Nays – None Motion carried

9. Set Public Needs Hearing - 2028 - 2030 Community Development

Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to set the CDBG Public Needs Hearing on Monday, November 09, 2026, at 5:30PM at 3400 W. Vienna Rd.

All in favor

Public Comment: Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting, and such comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person.

None

Board Comment: Johnson – No comment

Muron – No comment

Thompson – Thanks to Shelly for all of her hard work on the budget. Thank you for coming tonight and have a good Halloween.

SThomas – No comment

JThomas – Thank you everyone for coming tonight.

Bryan – Early voting will start on October 24th through November 1st right here, in the board room. Election Day is November 3rd, at the Senior Center. If you would like an absentee ballot, see the clerk's office.

Rizk – Thank you for the hard work, for doing your homework, and making this an expeditious meeting.

Moved to adjourn at 6:05 PM

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Joseph A. Rizk
Supervisor

Cynthia J. Bryan
Clerk

CERTIFICATION:
STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF GENESEE

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Vienna Charter Township, Genesee County, Michigan, held on the 13th day of October, 2026.

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Cynthia J. Bryan
Clerk