

VIENNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 08, 2025

CYNTHIA J. BRYAN, CLERK

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

Previous Minutes: August 11, 2025. Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to approve the minutes of August 11, 2025, with any changes or corrections.

All in favor

Bills: Bills in the amount of \$21,284.22. were presented. Moved by Thompson, supported by JThomas to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$21,284.22.

ROLL CALL:

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

Treasurer Report: Thompson reported the general fund total as of June 31, 2025, was \$7,168,960.67. We are currently collecting taxes for summer 2025. Our due date is September 14, 2025. That falls on a Sunday, so we are collecting without penalty in the office through September 15, 2025. The state budget was approved in the house last week. According to that, all local governments will experience a reduction in their statutory revenue sharing. For Vienna Township that is proposed to be almost a \$30,000.00 reduction in state revenue sharing.

Building Report: Rizk said we have some new residential homes going in and a lot of new roofs.

Planning Report: Thompson announced the Planning Commission did not meet last month due to lack of new business.

ZBA: Johnson said they do have a meeting coming up. It is just a small setback situation.

Library Report: Thompson included the financials in the board packet. There will be a meeting on Wednesday at 5:30 pm.

Senior Center Report: SThomas announced there will be no meeting in September, because the director will be attending a conference. The next board meeting will be on October 15, 2025. The Senior Center will be having a craft show on October 04, 2025. The Treasurer's Report was presented.

Fire Authority Report: Bryan announced the Fire Authority approved the revised policy on backing the vehicle. July fire runs were up by about 40 for the month with a total of about 250 fire runs. We did execute the 2026- 2031 Fire Authority Agreement that is between the three (3) municipalities. We had discussion on the self-contained breathing apparatus. We need to get new ones at a cost of \$351,000.00. Our Chief did write for a grant, and it is my understanding we did receive a small amount on that. In August, the firefighters installed 23 smoke alarms in eight homes, bringing this year's total to 105. On September 06, 2025, the Genesee County Fire Chiefs held their annual Firefighter Memorial at Flint Memorial Cemetery. On September 20, 2025, the State of Michigan Fire Fighters Association will hold their annual memorial in Roscommon. The names of retired Fire Chief, Paul Eddy, and Retired Firefighter Leonard Worthing will be added to the wall. Leonard Worthing was a firefighter here in Vienna Township.

BDA Report: Supervisor Rizk announced the board approved cleaning up the weeds on the sidewalks and bike path. They have been working on the byway. The BDA staff continues to post business spotlights.

Parks and Rec: JThomas announced they donated a new park bench at the frisbee golf course in Thetford Township. Three other projects have been discussed; at our next meeting we will be voting on our next project. The Zombie Walk will be on October 11, 2025. There is \$8,472.14 in the account.

Sports Complex Report: JThomas said there was no meeting.

Supervisor Report: Rizk said the Clerk announced her retirement effective December 31, 2025. This will have some effect on some of our committees closer to that time. We have appointed a Clerk Interview Committee. We are starting the 2026 budget process. 2026 Salaries are included in tonight's packet. Minimum Wage has increased, and this will affect a couple of employees at the Senior Center. On September 12, 2025, there will be a ribbon cutting for the White Water Car Wash. Our doors will start being replaced this Friday. Representative Matt Bierlein will be here between 12pm and 1pm on September 29, 2025. The public is invited. For years, we have petitioned to have a southbound exit light at M-57. We just have had another severe accident there and at Conlees.

Additions/Changes: None

Correspondence: Letter - Clerk Retirement
Letter - Comcast Programming Advisory
Letter - State of Michigan, Adult Foster Care
Notice of Hearing(s) - State of Michigan for Consumers Energy (10)
Letter - State of Michigan Dept. of Agriculture

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. 2026 Proposed Salaries

Moved by Bryan, supported by JThomas to approve 2026 proposed salaries as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas – Rizk, Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson

Nays – None

Motion carried

2. Health Insurance Contribution Act 152

Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to opt out of the publicly funded Health Insurance Contribution Act 152 in 2026.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas – Bryan, Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk

Nays – None

Motion carried

3. Final Reading and Possible Adoption - Text Amendment Zoning Ordinance

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to adopt proposed zoning ordinance text amendments as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas – Thompson, JThomas, SThomas, Muron, Johnson, Rizk, Bryan

Nays – None

Motion carried

4. Resolution 09-08-25-13 - Polling Location

Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to adopt Resolution 09-08-25-13, to establish a polling location for the November 04, 2025, election.

ROLL CALL:

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

5. Resolution 09-08-25-14 - Updated Fee Schedule

Moved by Bryan, supported by JThomas to adopt Resolution 09-08-25-14, to update the fee schedule.

ROLL CALL:

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

6. Resolution 09-08-25-15 - CBDG Time Extension

Moved by Bryan, supported by SThomas to adopt Resolution 09-08-25-15 to extend the CBDG 2024 ADA Compliant Doors and Opener Grant spending deadline from September 30, 2025, to December 31, 2025.

ROLL CALL:

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

7. 2025 Trick or Treat Hours

Moved by Bryan, supported by JThomas to set Trick or Treating Hours from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Friday, October 31, 2025.

ROLL CALL:

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

8. Set Public Hearing - 2026 Budget

Moved by Bryan, supported by Johnson to set Public Hearing for 2026 Township Budget for Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 5:30PM.

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 – We didn't have Metro Alliance. They will be back on in September. Cindy, you leave big shoes to fill. You have been an asset that will be missed.

Muron – Thank you for your time you have put in.

Thompson – Nothing today.

Bryan – This was a decision I didn't take lightly. I put a lot of thought into it, but it is time for me to pass the torch. It has been great working with everybody.

SThomas – Thank you Cindy for all of your hard work, you are definitely going to be missed.

JThomas – Thank you to the people who have came tonight. Cindy, the last 5 years have been great working with you.

Rizk – Cindy is still going to be here three more months.

Moved to adjourn at 6:00 PM

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 Charter Township of Vienna, Genesee County, Michigan, held on the 08th day of September, 2025.

Cynthia J. Bryan
Clerk