

**Minutes of the (Regular) Meeting of the
Brown Township Board
August 13, 2025**

1. Call to Order

Paul Adamski called the regular business meeting of the Brown Township board to order at 6:32 p.m. on August 13, 2025

2. Roll Call

Deborah Knutson conducted a roll call: Paul Adamski, Supervisor; Deborah Knutson, Clerk; Melissa Hughey, Treasurer; Tim Joseph, Trustee and Paul Wondolowski, Trustee were present. Neil Somsel was also present.

3. Approve the Agenda

Tim Joseph made a motion to approve the meeting agenda; Paul Wondolowski seconded. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment

Neil Somsel had follow up questions about zoning violations along the Big Manistee Corridor District. He was also wondering if he needed an EGLE dock permit before applying for Township permit.

5. Approval of Minutes from the previous meeting

Tim Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2025 meeting; Paul Wondolowski seconded. Motion carried.

6. Reports

Supervisor – Paul Adamski reported that there was 1 land use permit on the corner of Kerry Road and Archer Road for a new home (#1477). Friday morning Blarney Castle will be hooking up the generator and moving the propane tank behind the hall. Paul and Sylvester Wood, Planning Commission Chair met with the Township's Attorney about the Zoning violation on the Big Manistee River Corridor District. Paul obtained a ticket book from the county and the process has begun for the violation on the river.

Clerk – Deborah Knutson reported that she and Melissa worked on the Cemetery Ordinance this month. This will be discussed more during the discussion period.

Treasurer – Melissa Hughey reported that she will hold office hours September 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and September 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Since the funds won't be needed right away for Roads, she will be moving over \$15,000 to Michigan Class. She presented financial reports showing checks #15126 to #15145 for payments. Total disbursements of \$25,013.93. Tim Joseph made a motion to pay the bills; Paul Wondolowski seconded. Motion carried. The Treasurer's Report was received showing a current balance of \$308,666.58.

Assessor – No report given.

Planning Commission – No report given.

7. Old Business

- a. Road Repair – Road Commission – There will be no contract or funds needed till about February of next year. Tim Joseph made a motion to take road repair off of Old Business; Paul Wondolowski seconded. Motion carried.

8. New Business – No new business.

9. Discussion Period

- a. Cemetery - The Cemetery Ordinance was looked over and some changes were made. Deborah will be reaching out to Arden Bradford, the Sexton and Kayla from the Kay's Lawncare to ask a few questions about maintenance at the cemetery. There will also be some questions for the Attorney before its finalized.
- b. Marijuana – All 7 licenses are in compliance. 6 – grow and 1 – processor. Deborah reported that Judah Holdings has transferred ownership to Budhaven LLC. Rob Carson helped with the transfer form and attestation.

10. Upcoming Events

Next Board Meeting – September 10, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

MTA Meeting – August 27, 2025

11. Adjournment – Tim Joseph made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 p.m.; Paul Wondolowski seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes recorded by Deborah Knutson, Clerk.

Minutes approved – September 10, 2025