

NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP
Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2026

Mindel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; all members were present.

Schafer made a motion to approve the agenda, Support – Streng; motion passed.

Galinski made a motion to approve the December 2025 meeting minutes; Support – Schafer; motion passed.

6. Local Government Recognition and Report – None

7. Public Comment: None

8. Treasurer’s Report and Authorization to Pay Bills – Galinski reviewed the township bank accounts. Curtiss reviewed the monthly bills; Galinski made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report and authorize the payment of the monthly bills; Support – Streng; motion passed.

9. Board Reports

A. Fire Department Report – 34 calls last month (33 medical, 1 fire); There were a total of 440 runs in 2025. They have one new firefighter in training. The next meeting is Jan. 8, 2026.

B. Council of Governments/Isabella MTA meeting – Curtiss reported that the December meeting was hosted by the Tribe at the Conference Center at the casino. The presentation was by the Mt. Pleasant Fire Chief and the Tribal Fire Chief. They are forming a committee to try to bring a fire training facility to Isabella County.

C. Treasurer’s Report – Galinski reported that 881 parcels have paid their winter taxes so far (out of about 1,779 parcels). Her office is now at the township hall.

D. Clerk’s Report – Curtiss reported that we have two outstanding checks from the tax account that will turn three years old in March. We need to escheat them to the state in July and they will then be listed on their unclaimed property site and we can get them off our books.

10. Old Business

A. Beal City Sewer Project – Waiting for the arbitration date to be set.

B. Weidman Sewer Project – Nothing to report.

11. New Business

A. Chip Hills Summer Tax Collection Agreement – Curtiss presented the Chippewa Hills Summer Tax Collection Agreement for 2026; Streng made a motion to approve the agreement; Support – Schafer; motion passed.

B. Fairview Cemetery – The board discussed the possibility of advertising/budgeting for a caretaker for the cemetery, a quiet title action that needs to be done regarding the

boundaries of the cemetery and an issue with a recent burial. Those items are tabled until next month. Curtiss reported that it was discovered that in 1996 a headstone was placed in the wrong spot and needs to be moved 6 feet west of its current location; Schafer made a motion to move the headstone at the townships expense in the spring; Support – Streng; motion passed.

C. Hall Water Heater – Galinski discussed a recent issue with the hall water heater and a discussion took place regarding whether we should install a larger one. After a discussion it was decided to keep the current 6-gallon water heater and put a sign up in the kitchen reminding renters that there is a limited amount of hot water.

D. Overbudget Items – The board reviewed the overbudget items in both the general budget and the sewer budget. Streng made a motion to move \$10,233.80 from contingency to the overbudget items in the general budget; Support – Galinski; motion passed. Streng made a motion to move \$8,236.00 from the RRI & Attorney line items to the overbudget items in the sewer budget; Support – Schafer; motion passed.

12. Adjournment – Curtiss made a motion to adjourn; Support – Schafer, meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Next meeting – Monday, February 2, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

These minutes will be approved at the February 2026 board meeting.