

GERMAN TOWNSHIP ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

July 28, 2025

Meeting called to order 6:15 p.m. by chairman Monterrosa. Pledge of allegiance said by all followed by a moment of silence.

Roll call by secretary McNeil. Chair Rudy Monterrosa present, board member McClanahan absent, secretary McNeil present, trustee Robinson present.

June 9th, 2025 minutes read by secretary McNeil. Motion by chair Monterrosa to accept minutes as read with correction. So moved by secretary McNeil, 2nd by secretary McNeil. The ayes have it. Motion carried.

June 2025 Financials read by trustee Robinson. Concerns asked and answered. Motion by chair Monterrosa to accept June 2025 financials as read, so moved by secretary McNeil, 2nd by secretary McNeil. The ayes have it. Motion carried.

Trustee Robinson presents Open Issues: Bathroom partitions ordered and schedule for install when delivered. May picnic attended by 70 people was a success and food donated by Hacienda. July food give a-way of over 4000 lb. Thanks to Clay firemen for their donations and their help with the event. Concerns asked and answered.

New Business by Trustee Robinson on (1) water proofing supply room. \$6450 Estimate by Forte. Acculevel estimate for \$10,000 and Everdry estimate \$30,000. Concerns asked and answered. Motion by secretary McNeil to accept Forte waterproofing estimate of \$6450, So moved by chair Monterrosa, 2nd by secretary McNeil, The ayes have it. Motion carried 2) Motion by Chair Monterrosa to approve Mahan Restoration estimate of \$56,380 for Portage Prairie cemetery. So moved by secretary McNeil, 2nd by secretary McNeil. The ayes have it. Motion carried. 3) Taking electric repair bids for the pavilion. 4) Payroll Professionals are now handling payroll and all year end paperwork at a cost of \$102.40 per mo 5) Backpack give-a-way Aug. 11th filled with school supplies. Clay church offered remaining backpacks from their give-a-way if any left. 6) Deputy trustee Brown will be acting Trustee due to trustee Robinson's surgery in August. Discussion ensued and visitor was corrected.

Hall Rentals. Deputy trustee Brown reported rentals for 2025 doing well. Renters now requesting weekdays. No significant change in cost of utilities.

Old Business: 1) Start plans for capital projects. 2) Commercial Playground equipment replacement is needed. Suggestion by chair Monterrosa of grants available. 3) Re-spraying of weeds and looking at putting down park-like ground cover 4) Enclosing the pavilion for extended use year around. 5) The replacement of damaged fence at Cripe Witter covered by insurance.

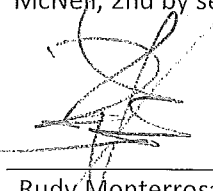
Hearing of Visitors: Clay Fire chief Jaren Kilian recognized the food pantry give-a-way. Busy year for fire dept. exceeding 6,000 calls due to increase need of services. Coming into budget season and the result of SB1 bill on fire territories in 2026 with expected short fall in 2027-28. LIT monies in 2028 and adjustments by county council will impact fire territories services. Budget hearing Aug. 28th at Auten Rd fire station. Questions asked and answered.

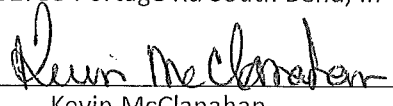
Good of the Township: Chair Monterrosa announced a South Bend native and a German Twp. resident, Nate Baranowski, was chosen to paint a 23'x27' mural to honor WNBA Indianapolis Fever legend Tamika Catchings.


Adjourn meeting. Motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. by chair Monterrosa, so moved by secretary McNeil, 2nd by secretary McNeil. Ayes have it. Motion carried.

Next meeting Sept. 8th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

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