

GERMAN TOWNSHIP ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

June 9th, 2025

**Meeting called** to order 6:03 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 present, secretary McNeil present, trustee Robinson present. All present.

**Chair Monterrosa presented** District 1 commissioner Carl Baxmeyer address SB1 bill that passed on property tax and fire territory that will effect Indiana residents. Discussed economic development monies toward TIF revenue. Concerns asked and answered on property tax and short fall that will occur and and budget freeze in the future. Councilman ~~Joe Thomas~~ Joe Thomas and district 2 commissioner Raphal Morton also attended. Questions continued at length on roads, taxes and combining fire territories.

**April 7th, 2025 minutes** read by secretary McNeil. Motion by chair Monterrosa to accept minutes as read. So moved by board member McClanahan, 2nd by secretary McNeil. The ayes have it. Motion carried.

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

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

**New Business** by Trustee Robinson presented food pantry events along with our soup kitchen serving needy families. The May food give away over 300 lbs given to 47 people to take home. 2) Forte waterproofing estimate concerning downstairs moisture issue. 3) Storm damage tree work done along with fence repair at Cripe Witter. Additional tree work planned for center and both cemeteries 4) Revisited Mohan restoration estimate for Portage Prairie in 2025 5) Spring picnic was successful. Summer picnic July 16th with Hacienda donated food for 50 people. Another food give away event July 19th. 6) Long and short term capital improvement plans needed due to the possibility of the state taking back 30% of township's monies. Concerns asked and answered on cemeteries and food pantry.

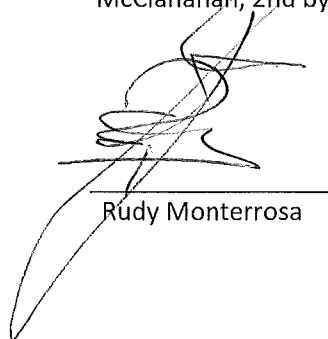
**Old Business.** A motion to accept KSS bid of \$8412.77 for new stall partitions in both mens and womens bathroom presented by board member McClanahan, 2nd by secretarty McNeil. The ayes have it. Motion carried. Concerns asked and answered.

**Hall Rentals.** Deputy trustee Brown reported rentals for 2025 doing well ~~and exceeding~~ exceeding last year. Possible raising rentals fee or deposit monies due to damage or not cleaning after party by renters. Updated kitchen being rented as a commissary to outside food businesses.

**Hearing of Visitors:** Joe Thomas councilman for German twp. Confirmed the complexities of SB1 bill. Possible hiring freeze and cut in property tax for 2026-27. Most monies go to public safety and roads with 74% of funding comes from property tax. Discussion on taxes and assesments concerns asked and answered. Mayflower and Brick roads accident prone intersection and reviewed homeless center on old Cleveland Rd. Concerns asked and answered continued.

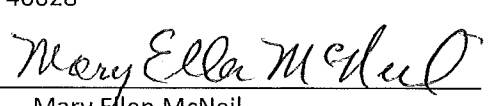
**Adjourn meeting.** Motion to adjourn at 7:45p.m. by chair Monterrosa, so moved by board member McClanahan, 2nd by secretary McNeil. Ayes have it. Motion carried.

Next meeting July 28th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.  
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Rudy Monterrosa

Kevin McClanahan



Mary Ellen McNeil