Island Creek Township
Month Township Trustee Meeting
September 8, 2026

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Trustees Present: Brenda Powley, Chair; Donnie Mossor, Vice Chair and Sam Grafton

Also present: Amy Browning, Fiscal Officer; Jeff Brown, Solicitor and Riley Tice, Road Foreman

Bid Opening

- One sealed bid received from South Eastern Equipment for $110,135.00 for the purchase of new backhoe. Bid includes a $32,000 trade in of current machine.

  Brenda made a motion to accept the bid for $110,135.00 with the condition that it includes all the requirements, Donnie second. All in favor.
  Amy will pursue financing options from several different funding sources.

Pre-registered

- No one registered

Open Discussion

- Nothing from the floor

Old Business

- Brenda stated that the noxious weed was not able to be specifically identified after testing. In order to identify the type of bamboo, initiator would need to pay for DNA testing of nodules which is costly. Township is not responsible for the testing.
- Brenda stated that the correction center has not gotten back with her about workers. Sam will confirm with Donnie Moore about dumpsters. Township will take electronics and set them aside for disposal at a later date. Tires will not be accepted. Brenda will look into reusable banners that includes what all is accepted and what is not accepted. Household garbage will not be accepted.
- Sam stated that the soccer nets are up and look good. Brenda was notified that they will be using concession stand going forward but will get porta john instead of using inside bathrooms.
- Sam notified that a pest control company treated the community room to get rid of ants and bugs. They also put out bait traps.

New Business

- County Engineers office, in partnership with Island Creek Township as well as Wayne and Wells townships, is applying for OPWC grant. Grant project is Township Road 378. The concern is that material costs will jump next year. County will do the work but township is responsible for preliminary work including fixing culverts before county starts working.
- Brenda stated that there is a Small Government Grant available for emergency slip on Township Road 391. Mark, County Road Engineer, looked at it and says it is an emergency. Brenda will move forward with applying once county provides an estimate.

  Brenda made a motion to contract with CTL for Core Drilling on Township Road 391 contingent on funding, Sam second. All in favor. Amy will review funding available for allocation.
- Brenda and Donnie attended Tax Incentive Review Council meeting. They agreed to abate Bully Tools for another two years on their taxes. Concern is they are not growing at the rate they agreed to grow. They have increased employees but not square footage.

  Brenda stated that JB Green Team told them that there is a program available to set up a tire recycling program at the township. After further exploring, the EPA requires the township find 100 tires before they will come pick them up. They do offer a program for a tire collection day including agriculture tires. Trustees agreed not to pursue the program.
- JB Green Team asked township to sign a resolution No. 09082026 Approving the Budget Amendment for the Solid Waste Management Plan of the Jefferson Belmont Regional Solid Waste Authority. Brenda stated JB Green Team is trying to buy land in order to have a collection site available all of the time. Sam moved to pass the resolution, Brenda second. All in favor.
- Donnie stated that NC Sanitation is concerned that trees are damaging their trucks on St. Joseph Drive. Sam would like to have it surveyed and recommended calling Phil Lawrence to find out the measurement of road and right of way. Donnie will call Phil. Another option is to have Jeff send a letter to the landowner that the trees are impeding traffic and have 10 days to clean up or our crew will be doing the work.
- Riley is working on setting up taking his CDL driving test.
- Sam stated that the county called to inform him that TR 1051 was flooding. Trustees stated that to their knowledge this is not a township-maintained road but that we are getting paid to maintain the road and it is on the TR list. County said they will help fix culvert but Sam has not heard back from them. Sam will work with county to see if they have a culvert and how they are going to handle.
- After discussion, Trustees agreed to have Sam contact county to take the township off the dust control list considering it is late in the season and will also save the township money.
- Sam suggested extending work days to 10 hours and taking Fridays off in order to maximize working hours.
- Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham want posts and reflectors installed along the road. Trustees agreed that would be a liability and will not be installing.
- Amy will order porta Jon and food for clean-up days. Brenda will pick up the food.

- Riley asked permission to sell or scrap old hoppers. Riley will give Amy the numbers once he gets them. Trustees encouraged Riley to do as much clean-up of the yard area as he can.

Financial Meeting

Donnie made a motion to approve the August minutes, seconded by Sam. All in favor.

Sam made a motion to approve the July Special Meeting minutes, seconded by Donnie. Brenda abstained.

Brenda made a motion to approve the September financials as presented, seconded by Sam. All in favor.

Brenda made a motion to approve the Supplemental Appropriations, seconded by Sam. All in favor.

Trustees signed checks and Purchase Orders.

Sam made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brenda. All in favor.

The next meeting will be held on October 13th at 6:00 p.m.

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Brenda Powley, Chair

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Amy Browning, Fiscal Officer