

## Regular Meeting Vernon Township Board September 8, 2025

Present: Clerk Susan Bannister, Treasurer Mary Jane Edwards, and Trustee Nathan Charles.  
Absent: Supervisor Bert DeClerg, Trustee Janet Sprague

The meeting was called to order, with the Pledge being said at 7:00 pm.

### Meeting Highlights

- Agenda & Minutes Approved:
  - August 11 & September 6, 2025, minutes approved unanimously.

### Fire Department Report

- August Activity:
  - 22 total runs: 10 fire, 12 EMS
  - 1 burn permit issued
- Community Engagement:
  - Participated in National Night Out, Durand Car Show, and Leisure Lake fireworks
- Equipment Updates:
  - Ongoing issues with antifreeze leaks, AC, pumps, and electrical systems
  - Tankers 1 & 2 remain primary operational units
- Report Approved

### Building Department

- August Permits:
  - 7 issued; \$2,020 collected
- Personnel Update:
  - Nathan Charles to take leave
  - Ted Henry (Clayton Township) appointed Deputy Building Official during absence
  - Salary and insurance covered by Vernon Township
- Appointment Approved via Roll Call

### Ambulance Report

- SSES Updates:
  - Litigation ongoing
  - Budget improving
  - New equipment and software purchased

### Sheriff's Report

- August Incidents:
  - 190 reported

### Clerk's Office

- Library Millage Update:
  - Legal review confirmed millage set in perpetuity (2005)
  - Proposal withdrawn from November ballot
  - No November election for Vernon Township
- Other Updates:
  - IT onboarding continues
  - New voter cards being sent due to redistricting

Public Comment – County Clerk Caroline Wilson

- County Directory:
  - Now digital; updated frequently on county website
- REAL ID Mobile Office:
  - May visit successful; next visit expected in fall
- Early Voting Program:
  - Centralized site at Veterans Building
  - Strong turnout in November (5,566 voters)
  - Significant cost savings for jurisdictions
  - Program extended through 2026

Additional Inquiry

- Food Waste Storage:
  - Likely under County Health Department's jurisdiction

New Business

The Library millage has been removed from the November election.

Old Business

- Bills Approved:
  - Payroll and fund distributions for township, fire, ambulance, refuse, and general funds
  - All approved via roll call

For questions or more information, please contact the Vernon Township Clerk's Office.