



BIRCH RUN VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2026 AT 7:00 PM
VILLAGE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
12060 HEATH STREET, BIRCH RUN, MICHIGAN

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President White at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: President Tom White and Council Members David Cook, Ricky Riedel, and Blaike Stafford

Others Present: Joseph Karlichek, DDA Director/Village Manager; Jason Leidel, Police Chief; Marty Hauck, DPW Foreman; Lisa Duffett, Village Treasurer; Courtney Damsen, Deputy Clerk; There was 1 person in the audience

Motion by Cook, supported by Riedel to excuse Kheila Knight from the meeting
Unanimous Voice Vote
Motion Carried

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Riedel, supported by Cook to approve the agenda
Unanimous Voice Vote
Motion Carried

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Cook, supported by Riedel to approve the August 24, 2026 Regular Village Council Meeting Minutes
Unanimous Voice Vote
Motion Carried

Presentations, Official Proclamations & Special Recognition

None

Citizens seeking information or giving input on matters of interest to the Village Council (Time limit of 5 minutes each)

None

Financial Matters

Motion by Riedel, supported by Cook to approve the Invoice Distribution Report for all Village funds as of August 17 – September 20, 2026
Unanimous Voice Vote
Motion Carried

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

New Business

1. Motion by Riedel, supported by Cook to approve Resolution #26-044, Approval of the 2026 Appointing Trustee & Alternate Trustee to the Mid Michigan Waste Authority (MMWA)

Ayes: Cook, Riedel, White Stafford

Nays: none

Motion Carried

2. Motion by Riedel, supported by Stafford to approve Resolution #26-045, Approval of Tax Assessment for Refuse Services with Mid-Michigan Waste Authority (MMWA) for 2027 Rates.

Ayes: Riedel, White, Stafford, Cook

Nays: none

Motion Carried

3. Motion by Riedel, supported by Cook to Reaffirm Resolution #03-102 – Halloween Hours from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm for the Village of Birch Run

Ayes: White, Stafford, Cook, Riedel

Nays: none

Motion Carried

4. Motion by Riedel, supported by Cook to approve Facility Use Application (Pavillion) from Birch Run Moose Lodge for Trick or Treat Saturday October 31, 2026 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Ayes: Stafford, Cook, Riedel, White

Nays: none

Motion Carried

Departmental Reports

Motion by Cook, supported by Riedel to receive and file all reviewed reports:

1. Chief of Police
2. Building and Zoning Administrator
3. DPW Foreman
4. Village Treasurer
5. Village Clerk
6. Village Manager

Unanimous Voice Vote

Motion Carried

Other

1. Motion by Cook, supported by Riedel to approve road closures for the annual Birch Run Homecoming Parade on October 9, 2026.

Unanimous Voice Vote

Motion Carried

2. Reminder: Village Offices will be closed to the public on Monday, October 12, 2026 for Columbus Day (staff will be in service).

3. Village office will close Friday, October 2, 2026, 11:00 am – 4:00 pm as staff is participating in SWOT Strategic Planning.

Announcements

1. Village Council Meeting, Monday, October 26, 2026 at 7:00 pm
2. Planning Commission Meeting, Monday, November 2, 2026 at 7:00 pm
3. Village Council Meeting, Monday, November 23, 2026 at 7:00 pm
4. DDA Board Meeting, Thursday, December 17, 2026 at 7:30 am
5. Village Council Meeting, Monday, December 21, 2026 at 7:00 pm

(All meetings are held in the Village Council Chambers unless noted)

Adjournment

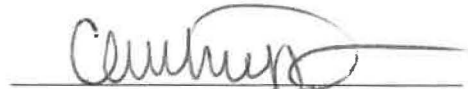
Motion by Cook, supported by Riedel to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm

Unanimous Voice Vote

Motion Carried



Tom White
Council President



Courtney Damsen
Deputy Clerk