

The Council for the Village of Hillman met for regular session on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the east-end conference room of the Hillman Community Center at 24220 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hillman, MI 49746. Present: President Dave Hornbacher. Trustees: Velma Brown, Jonathan Smith, Tom Bouchey and Steve Orlandi. Absent: None. Employees: Manager Dave Post, Bookkeeper Emma Niswonger. Clerk: Ann Williams. Visitors: Ron Floer and Jeff Smith.

President Hornbacher opened the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Trustee Smith made a motion and was supported by Trustee Orlandi to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

Trustee Smith made a motion and was supported by Trustee Orlandi to approve the minutes from the Budget Meeting on February 17, 2026. All in favor. Motion carried.

Trustee Bouchey made a motion and was supported by Trustee Brown to approve the minutes for the council meeting of February 17, 2026. All in favor. Motion carried.

Trustee Orlandi made a motion and was supported by Trustee Brown to pay the bills including the additional ones with check numbers 38309-38324. All in favor. Motion carried.

Dave Post reported that the annual report on forfeitures to the Michigan State Police has been completed and submitted. Mr. Bacon did not show up to discuss trees on the south end of the airport. He has promised to call when he comes to the area. It appears that the Village will now get cooperation from landowners at both ends of the airport. Dave will be gone on March 5th for an MML Liability and Property Pool meeting. He will also be leaving around March 26th and be gone for two weeks. Dave also reported that he sent correspondence to Tim Gulden from a bankruptcy court concerning Everstream. Everstream is filing for bankruptcy and selling. They own the property the Starlink site is on. We still haven't received plans for the well project yet.

President Hornbacher waived the reading of Resolution 2026-02. **President Hornbacher made a motion and was supported by Trustee Brown to adopt Resolution 2026-02. All in favor. Motion carried.**

RESOLUTION 2026-02

Be it resolved that; CONTRACT No. 25-5597; Control Section EDB 60000; Job Number 22653CON; by and between the MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, and the Village of Hillman is hereby accepted.

The following Official(s) is/are authorized to sign the said contract: David J Post, Village Manager.

Motion by President: Dave Hornbacher

Supported by Trustee: Velma Brown

ADOPTED: AYES: 5

NAYES: 0

ABSENT: 0

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution made and adopted at a regular meeting of Council of the Village of Hilman on the 3rd DAY of MARCH, 2026.

Ann Williams, Village Clerk

Emma reported that she is closing out February and has consolidated our garbage accounts with PAC Sanitation's accounts.

Dave Post reported that pipes froze in the handicap bathroom at Emerick Park and will need repairs. Dave will have a meeting with Denise Cline from NEMCOG regarding ordinance changes on March 12, 2026.

President Hornbacher reported that they are preparing the brush truck and it will be ready for wildfire season. Fire Department had 10 runs. EMS had 50 runs. 3 or 4 EMTs have been hired and the board is deciding on making one full-time.

Trustee Orlandi reported that the light pole near the bank is still leaning. Lights on the pocket parks and bridge are still out.

Trustee Smith made a motion and was supported by Trustee Brown to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Dave Hornbacher, President

Ann Williams, Clerk

Village of Hillman Managers Report – March 17, 2026

1. Met with Habitat on Thursday at 9 AM. We still haven't heard from MSHDA about the Notice of Intent or if they are going to let Habitat/VOH submit again.
2. The March 17 meeting has a lot of resolutions to pass for budget and next fiscal year purposes.
3. There is a planning commission meeting on March 16th. We will be discussing master plan updates.
4. Becky Rivard from Huron Engineering will be at the meeting to discuss a couple of grant proposals. Resolutions are enclosed in the packet.
5. The resolution the Council passed for me to sign the Category B grant agreement needs amended. Also, I sent the grant agreement for your review before it is signed.
6. I will be leaving on March 26th or 27th for a vacation and will likely be back around April 6th. I will let Dave H. know if I will be longer.
7. Enclosed in the packet are budget related resolutions and material for the public hearing.

Dave Post, Village Manager Have a good weekend.