

Note added by Michigan Plate Readers. Our reply to the Records Clerk on the Captain's memo of October 13, sent October 16, 2026, 12:15 pm, copying the Township attorney. Text as sent, the Records Clerk's first name replaced by her role; the quoted thread is left out. End of note.

Hi [the Records Clerk],

Thank you for forwarding the Captain's memo. It looks like there's some common ground here: the memo recognizes that "the distinction between actual employee labor and periods of unattended computer processing must be considered when determining the final chargeable amount," and it recommends reviewing the itemized estimates "to distinguish necessary employee activity from unattended processing time and to determine whether revised estimates are appropriate." My appeal asked for the same review, so I'm glad to see the Captain suggesting it as well.

Two things may make the review easier:

1. The exports request I sent on October 6 listed the license plate field in item 1. I do not need it. Please drop or blank that column, whichever is easier, so there is nothing in it to review.
2. I expect the period I asked for, January 1 to the export date, to come as about ten monthly exports of each audit, and I am glad to receive them as they are produced, the smaller exports first and the network audit in as many files as the tool makes. The dropbox upload folder I offered on October 7 is still open. If the Township can use it, no device or mailing is needed; if not, I'm happy to come pick up a flash drive or disc in person.

I appreciate the Department's care with this and your quick answers throughout.

Thanks,
Chance