

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on January 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Ashford.

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Procnier and Treasurer Somers. Absent: Trustee Brege. Guests: Adam Brege, Zoning Administrator and Cindy Leeseberg, Township resident.

Motion by Somers, seconded by Procnier to approve the agenda with the addition of the summer tax bill collection from Alcona Community Schools.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cindy Leeseberg presented a letter on behalf of Gary Leeseberg to the board a letter requesting to increase of the monthly township hall cleaning fee to \$100.00 and special events cleaning fee of \$100.00 effective 2/1/26.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procnier to approve the December minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Somers presented to the board reports for last month ending December 31, 2025. He balances with the Clerk and the bank.

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Ashford to approve the December Treasurer's report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning administrator Brege reported he received an email inquiry from Pierce services on behalf of Frontier Communications asking about permitting services to home connections. Adam reached out to Denise from NEMCOG and the township doesn't usually do those permitting services; the Road Commission does. Adam emailed him back and is waiting a response. There was talk about data centers and if they need to be in the zoning. Ashford will reach out to Denise at NEMCOG and see what her recommendation is on the data centers.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- There will be a budget workshop on February 16th at 5:30 pm prior to the regular board meeting.
- Sheriff report was not received.

BUSINESS:

The salaries of board positions were discussed. It was tabled until the next meeting on the resolutions.

March Board of Review Dates: Organizational meeting will be March 3rd at 5:30 pm. Regular meetings will be March 9th and March 10th from 1:30 – 7:30 pm. Supervisor Ashford will publish the dates in the review. They will need to be in the review for 3 weeks.

Alcona County Annual GIS data and cost sharing agreement was discussed. The contract is for \$250.00 a year. Each agency will receive available shape-file layers (parcels, sections, quarter-quarter sections, roads, and aerial imagery and parcel section maps in PDF format.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procnier to enter into an Annual GIS data & Cost sharing agreement with the County of Alcona for the fee of \$250.00 per year. Roll Call: Yes-Ashford, Somers, LaVergne and Procnier. Absent: Brege. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Cole's Appliance invoice was discussed. The refrigerator door was not closing properly and coming off the refrigerator. Cole's Appliance came and fixed it.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by LaVergne to approve the Cole's Appliance invoice for \$116.00 to fix the refrigerator door. Roll call: Yes: Procnier, Ashford, Somers and LaVergne. Absent: Brege No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Alcona Schools sent a letter and board motion stating they would like summer tax collection for 2026.

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Ashford to accept the letter from Alcona Community Schools on the summer tax collection for 2026. Roll Call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procnier. Absent:Brege. No: None.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0

There was discussion on the increase of the township hall cleaning fees presented to the board.

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Somers to accept the letter from Gary Leeseberg to increase the monthly hall cleaning fee to \$100.00 per month and the special event cleaning fee to \$100.00 effective 2/1/26. Roll Call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procnier. Absent:Brege. No: None.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Treasurer Somers notified the board the AAACU CD will mature before the next meeting. He would like to know what the board would like to do with the funds. There was discussion. There is approximately \$156,000.00 in the CD.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by LaVergne to deposit \$26,000.00 of the CD into the General Fund and put the rest back in a CD at AAACU. Roll Call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procnier. Absent:Brege. No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Public Comment:

None.

The Clerk noted there needed to be a transfers in the budget.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procnier to move \$65.00 from 1000941 Contingency Expense to 1000948 Computer Enhancements and to move \$80.00 from 1000941 Contingency Expense to 1253850 Telephone Treasurer. Roll Call: Yes-Procnier, Ashford, Somers and LaVergne. Absent: Brege. No-None.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Motion by Ashford, seconded by LaVergne to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$7912.75 check numbers 12103-12121. Roll Call: Yes- Procnier, Somers, Ashford and LaVergne. Absent: Brege. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

The meeting was adjourned by Ashford at 7:11 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on February 16th at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor