

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on March 23rd, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Ashford.

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Treasurer Somers, Trustee Brege, Clerk LaVergne and Trustee Procnunier.

Motion by Procnunier, seconded by Somers approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Motion by Brege, seconded by Procnunier to approve the February budget workshop minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brege, seconded by Procnunier to approve the February regular board minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Somers presented to the board the report thru February 28, 2026. He noted the expenses and the deposits on the report. He balances with the Clerk and the bank.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Brege to approve the February Treasurer’s report as presented. MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning: No report

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Board of Review update: There was one adjustment and 3 people filled out petitions
- Sheriff’s report – didn’t receive
- Early Voting agreement with the County for the 2026-27 elections has been signed by Clerk LaVergne.
- UHY has done the close out reporting for the ARPA funds for Gustin Township
- Michigan Township Participating Plan nomination forms were received.
- Direct Deposit for payroll was discussed.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procnunier to have all payroll direct deposited. Roll Call: Yes- Procnunier, Ashford, Somers, Brege and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

BUSINESS:

Ashford discussed with the board the adoption of the 2026-2027 budget appropriations act. She stated the estimated revenue and the estimated expenses.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Brege to adopt the 2026-27 Budget Appropriations Act Resolution 2026-05 and the Truth in Taxation form. Roll Call: Yes- Procnunier, Ashford, Somers, Brege and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

There was a brief discussion on the meeting dates and times for the upcoming year.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Somers to keep the meeting dates and time the same for the Regular Board Meetings. Regular Meeting 3rd Monday of the month, Zoning/Planning Meeting 1st Tuesday of the Quarter and the Board of Review is set by the State of Michigan. Roll Call: Yes-Procnunier, Ashford, Brege, Somers and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

There was a brief discussion on the official depositories.

Motion by Somers, seconded by Ashford to keep the same depositories of Huron Community Bank and Alpena Alcona Area CU. Roll Call: Yes-Ashford, Brege, Procnunier, LaVergne and Somers. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The board discussed the investment policy. It has not changed.

Motion by Somers, seconded by Ashford to approve the current investment policy. Roll Call: Yes- Procnunier, Brege, Ashford, Somers and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The board has received three furnace quotes. There was discussion.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Brege to approve the furnace quote from Gauthier Heating and Cooling for \$9,880.00. Roll Call: Yes- Procnier, Brege, Ashford, Somers and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Cemetery mowing and cleanup was discussed. The board has received a quote from Mike Goddard for the services for 2026.

Motion by Somers, seconded by Ashford to approve the cemetery cleanup quote of \$600.00 from Mike Goddard and the Cemetery mowing quote of \$600.00 per mowing from Mike Goddard for the 2026 season. Roll Call: Yes-Ashford, Brege, Procnier, LaVergne and Somers. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Treasurer Somers discussed with the board the need for a generac generator at the township hall with the recent ice storm events and emergency services wanting to use the hall for a warming center. It was discussed. The board has decided to be taken of the list for an emergency warming center. Ashford will notify Scott Rice to take Gustin Township off the list. The board decided to not pursue the generac generator at this time.

Treasurer Somers opened the hall for a warming station for the residents without power for several days during the ice storm. He drove to Alpena to get gas for the hall generator. He will need to be reimbursed.

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Procnier to approve the reimbursement of \$52.23 to Ted Somers for the generator gas and mileage to Alpena to get it. Roll Call: Yes-Ashford, Brege, Procnier, LaVergne and Somers. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Clerk LaVergne noted there would need to be a few budget adjustments.

Motion by Procnier, seconded by Brege to move \$0.08 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1246703 Trustee Salaries, to move \$0.04 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1257703 Assessor Salary, to move \$0.04 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1215703 Clerk Salary, to move \$0.04 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1253703 Treasurer Salary, to move \$80.00 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1253850 Internet Treasurer, to move \$4.89 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1265850 Internet Hall, to move \$41.88 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1265920 Electricity Hall, to move \$96.91 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1000709 SS & Medicare expense, to move \$65.00 from 1000808 Legal Defense to 1000948 Computer Enhancements and to increase the following items using money from the General Fund Balance: 1000804 Insurance 1,588.00. Roll call: Yes-LaVergne, Brege, Procnier, Ashford and Somers. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Brege, seconded by Somers to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$17,784.76 check numbers 12149-12173. Roll Call: Yes- Procnier, Somers, Ashford, Brege and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Public Comment: None

The meeting was adjourned by Ashford at 7:25 pm, seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on April 20th at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor