



DRAFT - Lodi Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

3755 Pleasant Lake Road Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

February 24, 2026 at 7 pm

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by Chair Strader at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

2. Roll Call

Present: Froberg, Marsh, Rogers, Stevenson, Strader, Sweetland, Vestergaard
Absent: None
Others Present: Recording Secretary Michelle Joppeck,
Township Planner Hannah Firlit (nee Smith),
Township Attorney Jesse O'Jack,
Township Clerk Christina Smith,
Dave Drenning, Ben Kellum, Dolores Kingston, and three other members of
the public

3. Approval of Agenda

Strader requested to add Election of Officers to 8. New Business B and to correct the address on the agenda.

Stevenson moved to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Marsh. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

4. Public Hearing: This Public Hearing is to receive comments on a proposed amendment to the Lodi Township Zoning Ordinance. Pursuant to the authority vested in it by the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan ordains the following amendment to the following sections within the Lodi Township Zoning Ordinance:

- Article 2, Section 2.03 Definitions
- Article 20, Section 20.04 Tables of Uses by District
- Article 54, Section 54.18 Medium Commercial Solar Energy Systems; to replace Article 54, Section 54.18, Reserved

Vestergaard moved to open the public comment section of the public hearing at 7:04 pm. Second by Sweetland. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

Sweetland did some research and discovered that Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) can be used to map out the location of drainage tiles up to 20 feet deep. A discussion was held regarding

how the ordinance should take this information into account. Township Attorney Jesse O'Jack recommended requiring documentation be provided to the Township showing where the drainage tiles are located as proof that drainage tiles were mapped out.

Strader asked whether locating drainage tiles should be added as a requirement to all site plans especially projects being completed on a farm field. Strader also asked if the application should be updated to directly ask about drainage tiles.

Dolores Kingston stated that she was unaware that drainage tiles can cause such problems and was appreciative that there were members on the Planning Commission that had that knowledge.

Rogers moved to close the public comment section of the public hearing at 7:18 pm. Second by Sweetland. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

Sweetland clarified that he is interested in the location and depth of any drainage tiles on the site.

Stevenson moved to recommend approval to the Township Board of Trustees of the proposed amendments of the following sections within the Lodi Township Zoning Ordinance:

- Article 2, Section 2.03 Definitions
- Article 20, Section 20.04 Tables of Uses by District
- Article 54, Section 54.18 Medium Commercial Solar Energy Systems; to replace Article 54, Section 54.18, Reserved

with a change to the following sentence in Article 54, Section 54.18.D.16. Drainage: from "The site plan shall show any public and private drain tile existing on the site." to "The site plan shall include a plan, prepared by a third party professional, indicating the location and depth of any public and private drain tile exiting on the site." Second by Vestergaard. A roll call vote was taken. Sweetland=aye, Vestergaard=aye, Strader=aye, Stevenson=aye, Rogers=aye, Marsh=aye, Froberg=aye. Motion carried.

5. Public Comment

Public comment began at 7:24 pm. No public comment was received. Public comment ended at 7:25 pm.

6. Approval of Minutes – 1/27/2026

Stevenson moved to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2026 Lodi Township Planning Commission regular meeting with the address corrected to 3755 Pleasant Lake Road. Second by Sweetland. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

7. Old Business:

a. Copperleaf Crossing PUD Major Amendment to Area Plan

Due to a conflict of interest, Marsh recused himself to the audience.

Froberg compiled the questions submitted by Planning Commissioners into a list of 66 requests for more information or questions entitled "Item Info Traceability Matrix." As a Planning Commission, each item was discussed and, if it was determined that it was not a duplicate, a voice vote was taken as to whether that request or question should be included in the list sent to Copperleaf Crossing. It was unanimously decided to send item numbers 1-

4, 7, 10, 12, 15-16, 18-20, 25, 28-29, 32-33, 36, 44-46, 48-54, 56-66 on the “Item Info Traceability Matrix” to Copperleaf Crossing.

Once the list of requests and questions was completed, a discussion was held about how long Copperleaf Crossing should be given to respond.

Froberg moved that by Friday, March 13, 2026, Copperleaf Crossing will provide an indication for each of the follow line items that the Planning Commission unanimously voted to acquire more information on whether they will provide or not provide that information:

- Clarify which animal(s) and which business(es) for anything stated as “animal-related business” on the Area Plan.
- Provide the USDA safety protocol for each animal.
- How many animals are there in all and what kind are they? Please complete the “Animal Information” list appended to the end of the minutes for what is currently on the property. What animals have they committed to never have? Also include a list of anticipated animals/species in the future.
- Include all activities going on there currently (i.e., breeding, boarding, research (what kind), education, buying and/or selling of animals, rescue, rehab). What activities do you want to do in the future?
- Plans for animal waste that do not create a nuisance for neighbors.
- Plan to significantly reduce noise and objectionable sounds for the neighbors.
- Person or persons responsible for questions from the Township.
- Where is each kind of animal housed? If there is rotation, it should be noted on the Area plan.
- The items marked in orange indicate they have not been completed. Either keep the Pet Shop (E), Courtyard Retail (F), Feed Store (G), Pallet Building (H), Wood Burner (I), and Greenhouse (J) on the plan and identify where the overflow parking would be relocated to if buildings were constructed or remove those buildings from the plan and mark it as overflow parking.
- What is the plan to remove the cargo containers and what will go in the space that they currently take up?
- Item M - Existing House: Where are the well and septic located for that house? What is the house currently being used as? What are the future plans for that house?
- Item C - Grooming / Boarding: Please confirm the animals are boarded indoors. Where on the Area Plan is the outdoor space for the boarded animals? Where are they taken for exercise and for the bathroom?
- Please list how each existing and proposed Use aligns with a current Use listed in the Township’s Table of Uses (Section 20.04).
- Provide proof that the well and septic system can handle the current level of activities.
- Provide all abutting properties, parcel numbers and house locations. Provide on the plans the transition buffer boundaries and the setback boundaries. Show the location of wells, septic tanks, septic fields and back up fields on the plans. Clarify the need for each fence

over six feet tall. The neighbor to the north has reported increased runoff on their property after grading and improvements. Provide your plans to address that. Provide details on buildings 39-47.

- Zoning Ordinance Section 42.202 Pedestrian Access: the site appears to have pedestrian access to building entrances and around the site from the parking lots. The applicant should clarify which buildings visitors can access to ensure sufficient and accessible pathways are provided. It does not appear that sidewalks to outside of the site are provided; however, there are not existing off-site pedestrian pathways on Ann-Arbor Saline Road or Pleasant Lake Road in that area to connect to.
- Zoning Ordinance Section 42.301.A.4: the PUD was originally approved with a number of animal-related uses, including the veterinary, boarding/grooming, horse stables and arena, for which it is assumed the site is sufficient to support. It is our understanding that the educational facility includes long-term or permanent care of animals, some of which are regulated by USDA, DNR, or other agencies. The applicant should provide information demonstrating that the land area is sufficient to support animal care.
- Produce Stand (D) is labeled as “Never completed.” The applicant should clarify if it is still planned to be completed.
- Steel Fence (12): Clear delineation of fence location is needed. Proposed to be over 6 ft. in height; applicant should clarify proposed height and need for increased height. The supplemental materials indicate this is a solid steel fence used as screening to block noise and visuals of the internal road for both visitors and animals.
- 8-Foot Fence (27): the applicant should clarify if all lines in that area indicate fencing. Applicant should indicate need for increased height. The supplemental information clarifies that the 8-foot fence is required by the USDA for cougar fencing.
- Livestock Enclosure (S): labeled as converted to a livestock enclosure. Supplemental materials provided state that this is mainly intended to be an aviary enclosure. Please clarify.
- Livestock Enclosure (1): supplemental materials indicate this area is used for rescued mini horses and donkeys. Appears to extend into required landscape strip along Ann-Arbor Saline Road. Please provide information regarding when the fence was installed and if it was approved.
- Livestock Enclosure (2): item 2 is labeled in the key, but does not appear to be shown on the area plan. The supplemental materials indicate this is a separated section of the donkey enclosure, and is ideal space for the emu. Show where on the Area plan where item 2 is located and clarify what it is.
- Bird/Aviary Enclosure (6, 30, 31, 32): not clear if it extends into required 30-foot transition buffer. Confirm the location on the Area plan.
- Livestock Enclosure/Fence (7): 8-ft. fence indicated, applicant should provide information on need for 8-ft. fence.
- Turtle Enclosures & Turtle Pond, Turtle Hut (9, 10, 13, 34, 38): 9 & 10 appear to be in the area where a well was previously labeled. Provide the location of all wells and septic on the Area plan.

- Animal Enclosure (11): the supplemental materials indicate this is an enclosure with temporary fencing and is not intended for animals to live in, but serves as an enrichment area. Provide clarification on what this is and what kind of animals it is for.
- Livestock Enclosure & Fence, Livestock Shelter (23, 24): does not appear to provide 30-foot transition buffer; detention pond in the middle of animal enclosure. The applicant should provide more detail. The supplemental information states this area is for emus and black swans.
- Canine Enclosure (29) -- Shows existing shelters within enclosure. Does not appear to provide 30-foot transition buffer. It should be noted a minor site plan approval for canine fencing area was previously granted. Provide measurements from the huts to the transition buffer.
- Animal Enclosure (33): 8-foot fence indicated. Applicant should clarify need for increased height. The supplemental information indicates this area houses the cougar currently, which requires 8-foot fencing per USDA. Please provide evidence of Township approval and all permit information up to completion.
- Animal Enclosure (36): item 36 is listed in the key, but does not appear to be shown or labeled on the plans. The supplemental information indicates this was originally a horse stable but is now an area for other animals and is currently porcupines. Show 36 as it is being used today.
- Animal Enclosures (45, 46, 47): it is not clear if enclosures and fencing meet 30-foot transition buffer. The supplemental information provided indicates these areas have not yet been constructed. Provide clarification if these will be constructed.
- It should also be noted that a large part of the rear of the site (adjacent to items 29, 45, and 46) appears to be enclosed, presumably with fencing (thick black line outlining the area). However, it is not noted on the plans how this area is proposed to be used. The applicant has since confirmed that this area is still a livestock paddock with amorphous shape, as was labeled in plans submitted in 2023. The applicant may need to provide more information on what this entails.
- Zoning Ordinance Section 42.110 Required Area Plan Information outlines the information that is required to be included in an area plan, as applicable and as determined by the Planning Commission. It should be noted the following required information is not provided within the area plans. The Planning Commission should review and determine if the item of information is not applicable or necessary for review of the plan. It should be noted items specific to residential developments are not included in the following list, as they are not applicable. Please provide the following:
 - a. Draft of Area Plan agreement or statement.
 - b. Existing zoning classification(s) for the subject parcel(s) and surrounding parcels (including across road rights-of-way).
 - c. Owners' names, existing uses, and location of structures, drives, and improvements on surrounding parcels (including across rights-of-way).
 - d. Conceptual drawings of exterior building façades for principal buildings and building additions, drawn to an appropriate scale.

- e. Conceptual locations, layout, and surface type for all parking lots, sidewalks, and pedestrian pathways within and accessing the site.
 - f. A Natural Features Determination, with a general description and preliminary delineation of existing natural features on and abutting the site, per Section 54.08 (Natural Features Protection and Preservation).
 - g. Location and size of required landscape strips, if applicable.
 - h. General layout of existing and proposed water supply systems, sanitary sewerage or septic systems, and stormwater management facilities.
 - i. General areas of intended filling or cutting.
- Parking calculations are not included within the plans. The main lot (W) shows 48 spaces and the employee lot (X) shows 20 spots, which was originally approved with 14. The overflow parking detail shows 10 spaces. It should be noted that the overflow parking is shown on the overall area plan as future development of buildings, implying that the overflow parking will be eliminated. The ordinance requires that when there are multiple uses on one site, parking must be calculated for each individually (Section 51.04.1). As noted in the use statement, the operation hosts field trips, community events, and similar events that may require more parking than the original uses. The applicant should provide additional information for Planning Commission and Township Board review showing that parking requirements are met and that the proposed amount of parking is sufficient for the operation
 - There is an area that is currently used as parking and is detailed on the plans as “overflow parking.” However, this area is labeled on the area plan as future development of retail buildings, a feed store, and pallet buildings. It is also noted as “not yet been completed or that have been removed.” The applicant has since provided supplemental information stating that these buildings are not intended to be constructed, and the overflow parking is permanent. However, it also states that they were left on the plans in case future needs change. The applicant should provide clear direction on if the parking is permanent or not.
 - Off-street parking areas are required to be paved with concrete, asphalt, or similar materials. The main parking lot (W) was approved as bituminous and appears to still be paved. The employee parking (X) was originally approved as gravel and appears to be expanded with the same surface. The overflow parking appears to be gravel surface and does not appear to have been approved as such. The supplemental materials provided by the applicant indicate this parking area is intended to remain gravel. The ordinance requires that off-street parking areas are required to be paved. The Township may consider approval of the alternative surface of the parking if it is intended to be temporary; however, the information provided indicates it is likely intended to be permanent parking.
 - The area plan shows a total of 77 parking spaces including all parking areas. The main parking lot (W) shows 47 parking spaces which includes 2 barrier-free parking spaces; this meets the requirement for the individual lot. It should be noted that the employee parking (X) and the overflow lot do not provide any barrier-free parking.

Second by Stevenson. A roll call vote was taken. Sweetland=aye, Vestergaard=aye, Strader=aye, Stevenson=aye, Rogers=aye, Froberg=aye, Marsh=abstain. Motion carried.

With the conflict of interest over, Marsh returned to the Planning Commission.

b. Lodi Township Master Plan update

O'Jack noted a discrepancy in the wording under the draft of Part 12 Infrastructure Plan, Section 12.5 Goals, Objectives, and Strategies, Goal C, Objective 1 stating "Encourage proactive maintenance and modernization of electrical transmission lines and infrastructure, including a new substation if determined necessary for reliable electrical service in the Township" and recent discussions held by the Township regarding the likelihood of potential data centers and solar energy systems coming to the Township due to not having substations in the Township and the safety in that fact. He wanted to point that discrepancy out so that the Planning Commission is aware of it as they are reviewing that section.

Due to the lateness of the hour and the lateness of the draft sections being received, Strader moved to postpone the Lodi Township Master Plan update until the regular March Planning Commission meeting. Second by Stevenson. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

Marsh noted that the draft Master Plan sections to be discussed at Planning Commission meetings are not included in the Planning Commission packets or other materials posted on the website. Additionally, website links have been unreliable recently and should be corrected. The paper copies of the packet were also missing all even pages. The Township Clerk will be made aware of this issue.

Strader requested for information to be included in packets or regarding agenda items to be submitted to the Township Clerk at least a week before the meeting in order to allow sufficient time for review.

c. Annual Report and 2026 Planning Commission Goals

Strader moved to approve the 2025 Annual Report as presented and approve the 2026 Work Plan Items as presented with the addition of a Data Center Ordinance and an Exotic Animal Ordinance. Second by Stevenson. A roll call vote was taken. Sweetland=aye, Vestergaard=aye, Strader=aye, Stevenson=aye, Rogers=aye, Marsh=aye, Froberg=aye. Motion carried.

8. New Business:

a. Data Center Moratorium – Zoning Ordinance

Firlit noted that she does have access to a draft Data Center ordinance created by OHM Advisors as well as a sample ordinance from Livingston County.

Due to the lateness of the hour and the lateness of the receipt of the education materials regarding data centers, Strader moved to postpone the discussion of the Data Center Moratorium and potential ordinances until the regular March Planning Commission meeting. Second by Marsh. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

b. Election of Officers, 2026-2027

Sweetland moved to elect Strader as Chair for 2026-2027. Second by Froberg. A roll call vote was taken. Sweetland=aye, Vestergaard=aye, Strader=aye, Stevenson=aye, Rogers=aye, Marsh=aye, Froberg=aye. Motion carried.

Strader moved to elect Froberg as Vice Chair for 2026-2027. Second by Stevenson. A roll call vote was taken. Sweetland=aye, Vestergaard=aye, Strader=aye, Stevenson=aye, Rogers=aye, Marsh=aye, Froberg=aye. Motion carried.

Froberg moved to elect Sweetland as Secretary for 2026-2027. Second by Rogers. A roll call vote was taken. Sweetland=aye, Vestergaard=aye, Strader=aye, Stevenson=aye, Rogers=aye, Marsh=aye, Froberg=aye. Motion carried.

9. Public Comment

Public comment began at 10:41 pm. Public comment was received from 1 person. Public comment ended 10:43 pm.

10. Reports

A. Board of Trustees: Marsh reviewed the most recent Board of Trustees meeting held on February 3, 2026.

B. Commissioners: Marsh requested considering when giving deadlines to applicants or residents in the future to set them as “x amount of time after the request was received” instead of just a blanket “in x amount of time”. Frequently, there is a delay in receiving the request which cuts into the time allotted to fulfill the request.

C. Planning Consultant: Hannah Firlit noted that her last name has formally changed from Smith to Firlit, but all previous email addresses should be forwarded to her current email address.

D. Engineering Consultant: None

11. Adjournment

Sweetland moved to adjourn at 10:46 pm. Second by Rogers. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Froberg,
Planning Commission Secretary

Michelle Joppeck,
Recording Secretary

Township of Lodi
Resolution No. 2026-008

March 3, 2026

A resolution to adopt an Ordinance adopted pursuant to Public Act 110 of 2006 as amended (MCL 125.3101 *et seq.*), to secure the public safety, health, and welfare of the residents and property owners of the Township of Lodi, Washtenaw County, Michigan, by amending the Lodi Township Zoning Ordinance by updating Section 2.03 "Definitions," Section 20.04 "Table of Uses by District," and Section 54.18 "Medium Commercial Solar Energy Systems" to replace Section 54.18 "Reserved."

WHEREAS, Lodi Township has zoning powers pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110 of 2006 (MCL 125.3101), as amended; and

WHEREAS, after public hearing, the Lodi Township Planning Commission has recommended that the Lodi Township Zoning Ordinance be amended as indicated as set forth in the proposed ordinance amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Lodi Township Board of Trustees accepts the recommendation of the Lodi Township Planning Commission and finds that it is in the best interest of the residents of the Township to amend the Lodi Township Zoning Ordinance as set forth in the proposed ordinance amendment.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that Ordinance No. 2026-002, entitled "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 110 OF 2006 AS AMENDED (MCL 125.3101 *et seq.*), TO SECURE THE PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LODI, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BY AMENDING THE LODI TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE BY UPDATING SECTION 2.03 "DEFINITIONS," SECTION 20.04 "TABLE OF USES BY DISTRICT," AND SECTION 54.18 "MEDIUM COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS" TO REPLACE SECTION 54.18 "RESERVED" is made, passed, and adopted.

Township Trustee _____ moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolution, which was seconded by Township Trustee _____ and thereupon adopted by the Lodi Township Board of Trustees by a roll call vote of the Township Board at the regular meeting, held this 3rd day of March, 2026.

The following members voted:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent or abstain:

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Christina Smith, Lodi Township Clerk

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
SALINE AREA FIRE AUTHORITY**

Adopted March 16, 2026

These Articles of Incorporation (“Articles”) are adopted for the purpose of creating the Saline Area Fire Authority (“AUTHORITY”) under the provisions of the Emergency Services to Municipalities Act, 1988 PA 57, as amended.

**ARTICLE 1.
NAME AND OFFICE**

- 1.1 **Name.** The name of this AUTHORITY is “Saline Area Fire Authority,” referred to as the “AUTHORITY.”
- 1.2 **Principal Office.** The principal office of the AUTHORITY will be located at 205 East Michigan Ave. Saline, MI 48176, or at such other office location as may be designated by the AUTHORITY.

**ARTICLE 2.
DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 **Act 57** means the Emergency Services to Municipalities Act, 1988 PA 57, as amended. MCL 124.601 *et seq.*
- 2.2 **AUTHORITY** means the Saline Area Fire Authority incorporated under the provisions of Act 57.
- 2.3 **Board** means the AUTHORITY’s governing board.
- 2.4 **Board Member(s)** means the Representative Board Member(s) (or Alternate Representative Board Member(s) when authorized to vote pursuant to these Articles) and the At Large Board Member.
- 2.5 **Emergency Services** means fire protection or any other emergency health or safety related services (except police protection services) designated in these articles.
- 2.6 **Fire chief** means the chief officer of the AUTHORITY.
- 2.7 **Incorporating Municipalities** means a Municipality that is part of this AUTHORITY or joins in a manner provided for in these Articles.
- 2.8 **Municipal Emergency Service** means an emergency service performed by a Municipality rather than by this AUTHORITY.

2.9 **Municipality** means a county, city, village or township.

2.10 **Non-Incorporating Municipalities** means a municipality that does not become part of this AUTHORITY in the manner provided for in these Articles.

Other terms shall have such meaning as may be specified in the various provisions of these Articles.

ARTICLE 3. INCORPORATING MUNICIPALITIES

The Incorporating Municipalities creating this AUTHORITY are the City of Saline, the Township of Lodi, the Township of Saline, and the Charter Township of York, each located in the County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, which are each hereby designated as an Incorporating Municipality. Any municipality that subsequently joins the AUTHORITY pursuant to Act 57 and these Articles shall also be an Incorporating Municipality. If any Incorporating Municipality that is a general law township shall become a charter township, the successor charter township shall also be bound by these Articles.

ARTICLE 4. PURPOSE

The purpose of this AUTHORITY shall be and is to provide Emergency Services in accordance with the authorizations contained in Act 57. The AUTHORITY shall provide such Emergency Services within its jurisdiction described in Article 5 herein. The AUTHORITY may provide such Emergency Services outside of its jurisdiction as may be authorized by these Articles or pursuant to contract with the AUTHORITY by any Incorporating Municipality, Non-Incorporating Municipality, or any other lawful entity in accordance with Act 57.

ARTICLE 5. JURISDICTION

The incorporating municipalities shall determine the territory under the authority's jurisdiction. This AUTHORITY's jurisdiction must be comprised of territory within the incorporating municipalities. The governing body of this AUTHORITY shall approve any expansion of territory requested by an incorporating municipality. An incorporating municipality shall advise the AUTHORITY of the redistricting of territory with at least 12 months notice. The AUTHORITY has exclusive authority to determine how Emergency Services will be provided within its jurisdiction. The AUTHORITY will create and maintain a current map.

ARTICLE 6. POWERS

6.1 **Body Corporate.** This AUTHORITY shall be a body corporate, with power to sue or be sued in any court of the State of Michigan.

6.2 **Powers.** The AUTHORITY shall possess all of the powers now or hereafter granted by Act 57, by any other applicable statute of the State of Michigan, by these Articles of Incorporation, and those incident to those purposes, including but not limited to the following:

- A. **Bylaws and Rules.** Adopt bylaws and rules of administration to accomplish the purposes of the fire service consistent with these Articles of Incorporation and Act 57.
- B. **Ordinances.** Pursuant to the procedures set forth in Act 57, adopt ordinances that allow the AUTHORITY to assess fees on owners or occupants of property who receive Emergency Services to cover the costs of providing Emergency Services under Act 57.
- C. **Grants, Loans or Contributions.** Apply for and accept grants, loans, or contributions from the federal government or any of its agencies, the state, corporations, nonprofit organizations, trusts, private individuals or other public or private agencies to be used for any of the purposes of Act 57 and to do any and all things within its express or implied powers necessary or desirable to secure that financial or other aid or cooperation in the carrying out of any of the purposes of Act 57.
- D. **Contracts.** Enter into any contracts with other entities not prohibited by law.
- E. **Engage Assistance.** Investigate Emergency Services requirements, needs, and programs and engage, by contract, consultants as may be necessary and cooperate with the federal government, state, political subdivisions, and other authorities in those investigations.
- F. **Employees; Consultants.** As stated more fully in Article 17 and subject to the provisions of Act 57, Michigan law and these Articles, hire employees, attorneys, accountants, consultants, and/or services as the AUTHORITY considers necessary to carry out the purposes of the AUTHORITY.
- G. **Additional Powers.** The AUTHORITY shall possess all other powers authorized by law that are necessary to carry out the purposes of its incorporation and those incident to those purposes.
- H. **Property.** The AUTHORITY may acquire private property by purchase, lease, gift, devise or condemnation; either within or without its corporate limits and may hold, manage, control, sell, exchange or lease such. For the purposes of condemnation, the AUTHORITY may proceed under the Acquisition of Property by State Agencies and Public Corporations Act, 1911 PA 149 of the Uniform Condemnation Procedures Act, 1980 PA 87.

- 6.3 **Limitations.** The enumeration of any powers herein shall not be construed as a limitation upon its general powers unless the context or Michigan law shall clearly indicate otherwise.
- 6.4 **Corporate Seal.** The AUTHORITY may adopt a corporate seal, and may alter the seal, and may use it by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be affixed, impressed or reproduced in any other manner.

**ARTICLE 7.
TERM**

This AUTHORITY shall continue in existence perpetually or until dissolved by act of the parties or by law if such dissolution is permitted by law as referenced in Article 20.

**ARTICLE 8.
FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year of the AUTHORITY shall commence on the first day of January in each year and shall end on December 31 of that year.

**ARTICLE 9.
BOARD OF MEMBERS**

- 9.1 **Board Members.** The governing body of this AUTHORITY shall be a Board as selected and specified in Section 9.2
- 9.2 **Appointments.**
 - A. **Representative Board Members.** The governing body of each Incorporating Municipality shall appoint two (2) Representative Board Members (hereafter referred to as a Representative Member) and one (1) Alternate Representative Board Member (hereafter referred to as an Alternate Member).
 - B. **At-Large Board Member.** The Board shall also select one (1) At-Large Board Member (hereafter referred to as the At-Large Member) at the annual meeting. The Board shall create a nominating committee for the purpose of assessing candidates for the At-Large Member. By the December Board meeting that precedes any new term, the Board members and/or Fire Chief may recommend candidates for the At-Large Member. The nominating committee will nominate the best candidate to the Board.
- 9.3 **Qualifications.**
 - A. Each Representative Member and Alternate Member shall be a qualified elector residing within the territorial boundaries of the Incorporating Municipality who appointed him or her and within the jurisdiction of the AUTHORITY, or an elected

official of that Incorporating Municipality. A Member of the Board shall not be an officer, member or employee of any emergency service transferred to, operated by, or contracted with the AUTHORITY, including a person who has contracted with or receives a direct financial benefit or compensation from the AUTHORITY.

B. The At-Large Member must be a resident of one of the Incorporating Municipalities and be approved by a majority of the Board Members appointed and serving.

9.4 **Continuation of Terms.** The Representative Members and Alternate Members serving on the Saline Area Fire Board at the time of the Effective Date of these Articles shall continue to serve for the remainder of their terms in accordance with their original appointments.

9.5 **Terms.** After the initial appointment provided in Section 9.2. above, each Representative Member appointed by an Incorporating Municipality shall serve a term designated by the Incorporating Municipality. The At-Large Member shall serve a two-year term.. All terms of office shall begin on January 1. Terms of the Representative Members for each Incorporating Municipality shall coincide with terms of the Alternate Members for that Incorporating Municipality. Because the terms may vary depending on the Incorporating Municipality, the Incorporating Municipalities have the responsibility for recording and monitoring when its Board Member needs to be appointed or re-appointed.

9.6 **Voting Rights; Participation.** All Representative Members and the At Large Member shall have full rights of vote at each meeting. Alternate Members shall only have the right to vote at any particular meeting if the respective Representative Member is not in attendance.

9.7 **Timing of Appointment.** No appointment to the Board shall be deemed to be invalid because it was not made within or at the time specified in these Articles.

9.8 **Oath.** Each Representative Member, Alternate Member and At Large Member shall qualify by taking the constitutional oath of office, to be administered by the Secretary of the Board, and filing his or her oath with the AUTHORITY and as otherwise required by law. The Board Chair shall administer the oath of office to an incoming Secretary of the Board.

9.9 **Compensation of Board of Members.** No Board Member, whether they be a Representative Member, an Alternate Member, or an At-Large Member, shall be compensated by the AUTHORITY for attending meetings of the AUTHORITY.

9.10 **Vacancies.** A vacancy shall be defined as the retirement, removal, resignation, or death of a Board Member. In the event of a vacancy of a Representative Member or Alternate Member on the Board, the governing body of the Incorporating Municipality

that selected the Representative Member and/or the Alternate Member whose seat is vacated shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. If the vacancy occurs in the position of a Representative Member, the alternate Representative Member shall serve until the Representative Member's successor is appointed and qualified. In the event of a vacancy of the At-Large Member, such vacancy shall be filled by the Board for the remainder of the unexpired term within ninety (90) days.

- 9.11 **Removal.** Any Representative Board Member or Alternate Member, appointed by an Incorporating Municipality, may be removed at any time with or without cause by action of the governing body of that Incorporating Municipality that appointed the Representative Board Member or Alternate Member. The At-Large Member may be removed at any time with or without cause by the action of the AUTHORITY's Board by a majority of the Board appointed and serving.

ARTICLE 10. MEETINGS

- 10.1 **Annual Meeting.** The Board shall meet at the Principal Office or other designated location on the first Wednesday of February each year for the annual meeting. The date of the annual meeting in any given year may be changed by the majority vote of the Board Members present, if the Board cannot meet on the first Wednesday of February.
- 10.2 **Meetings.** Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at least quarterly at such time and place as shall be determined by motion of the Board at the annual meeting; provided, however, the annual meeting shall constitute one of the quarterly meetings. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chairperson or by any two Members. Public notices of all regular, special, or rescheduled regular meetings of the Board shall be given pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended from time to time. The Board shall keep minutes of its proceedings as required by law.
- 10.3 **Quorum.** A majority of the Board Members, who are appointed and serving shall be required for a quorum.
- 10.4 **Voting.** The Board shall act by motion or resolution, unless a particular format is required by law. Each Board Member shall have one vote. The passage of any resolution providing for the execution of any contract, appointment of the At-Large Board Member, election of officers, adoption of by-laws, termination of employees, there shall be required a majority vote of the Board Members appointed and serving. Except as herein otherwise provided, a vote of a majority of the Board Members present at any meeting at which a quorum is present and who are authorized to vote on such matters shall be sufficient for passage. All votes shall be "yeas" or "nays" except that where the vote is unanimous, it shall only be necessary to so state.

- 10.5 **Voting on Tax Levies.** The passage of any resolution providing for the levying of any tax shall require a two-thirds vote of the Board Members appointed and serving, with at least one member of each Incorporating Municipality present at the time of the vote.
- 10.6 **Adoptions of Rules and Procedures.** The Board has the right to adopt rules governing its procedure which are not in conflict with Michigan law, federal law or these Articles. The Board shall also have the right to establish rules and regulations for the use of its property, personal or real, owned, held, or operated by it under the provisions of law.

**ARTICLE 11.
OFFICERS AND OFFICER DUTIES**

- 11.1 **Appointment of Officers.** At each annual meeting, the Board shall select a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be a Representative Member. No Incorporating Municipality shall have more than one (1) Representative Member holding an Officer position. Officers shall serve until the next annual meeting or until their respective successors shall be selected and qualified. No selection of an Officer of the Board shall be deemed to be invalid because it was not made within or at the time specified in these Articles.
- 11.2 **Officers.** The Officers of the Board shall have such other powers and duties as may be conferred upon them by the Board and Act 57, including but not limited to the following responsibilities:
- A. **Chairperson.** The Chairperson of the Board shall be the presiding officer. Except as otherwise provided by these Articles or as authorized by the Board, the Chairperson shall not have any executive or administrative function in the AUTHORITY, other than as a member of said Board.
 - B. **Vice-Chairperson.** In the absence or disability of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson.
 - C. **Secretary.** The Secretary shall be the recording officer of the Board and the custodian of the AUTHORITY'S records. The Board may hire employees and/or consultants necessary to assist the Secretary with their duties.
 - D. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Board and shall be bonded by the AUTHORITY conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of their office. The cost of the said bond shall be paid by the AUTHORITY. The Board may hire employees and/or consultants necessary to assist the Treasurer with their duties.

- 11.3 **Oversight of Fire Chief.** The Officers of the Board shall have responsibility for oversight of the Fire Chief's performance and the administration of the Fire Chief's personnel evaluation, salary, and benefits. This shall include an annual performance evaluation, incorporating input from the Board. The Chairperson shall serve as the main point of contact for these matters. This evaluation and any recommendations regarding issues of performance, salary and benefits shall be brought before the Board for approval.
- 11.4 **Duties Regarding AUTHORITY Fund.** All money shall be deposited in a financial institution or financial institutions designated by the Board into the AUTHORITY fund. All checks or other forms of withdrawal from the AUTHORITY fund, including paychecks, shall be signed by two authorized persons. Authorized persons include the Officers and for operational purposes will normally be the Chairperson and Treasurer, and the Chief Administrative Employee of the AUTHORITY. All authorized signatories shall be bonded by the AUTHORITY conditioned upon the faithful performances of his or her office. The cost of said bond shall be paid by the AUTHORITY.

ARTICLE 12. BUDGET AND AUDIT

- 12.1 **Budget Process.** The AUTHORITY shall adopt a budget process to facilitate appropriate review and approval each year.
- 12.2 **Annual Budget.** The Budget Committee of the Board shall prepare the annual budget for the AUTHORITY and the Fire Chief and the Chairperson shall present the proposed annual operating and capital budget reflecting the projected revenues and projected expenditures of the AUTHORITY for the next fiscal year beginning January 1 as follows:
- A. **AUTHORITY Authorized Millage Budget.** If the AUTHORITY is authorized by voters to levy an AUTHORITY-wide millage, the budget must be approved by December 1 prior to the next fiscal year. The budget may be adjusted from time to time upon approval by the Board with a majority vote of Board Members appointed and serving at the time of the vote.
 - B. **Temporary Use of Fund Balance to Address Millage Revenue Timing Gap:** The temporary use of fund balance under this Section is permitted solely to address cash-flow shortages arising from the timing difference between the collection of millage revenues and the scheduled disbursement of expenditures authorized under Act 57 and the Authority's annual budget.

C. Budget if there is No AUTHORITY-Wide Millage.

- (i) During any time when an AUTHORITY-wide tax has not been approved and levied as provided in Subsection A above, each Incorporating Municipality agrees to provide support to the AUTHORITY.
- (ii) The preliminary budget for the next fiscal year shall be prepared for and presented at a budget meeting no later than a September Board meeting prior to the end of the fiscal year. The Board shall approve submittal of the budget for the next fiscal year to the Incorporating Municipalities at least sixty (60) days before the end of the fiscal year.
- (iii) The percentage of the budget that each Incorporating Municipality must contribute shall be based upon that portion of the Adjusted Taxable Value of the Incorporating Municipality that is served by the AUTHORITY.
- (iv) The Incorporating Municipalities agree to pay the annual amounts set forth in the approved budget in quarterly installments commencing on January 1 following the last year that an AUTHORITY-wide millage was last levied and collected by the AUTHORITY.

12.3 Accounting and Budgeting Procedures. The accounting and budgeting practices of the AUTHORITY shall conform to standard accounting practices, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, 1968 PA 2, and all other applicable provisions of law. The Board shall cause an annual audit to be made of the books, records, and financial transactions of the AUTHORITY by an independent certified public account and shall furnish a copy thereof to each Incorporating Municipality. The books and records of the AUTHORITY shall be open for inspection by any Incorporating Municipality at all reasonable times.

**ARTICLE 13.
FINANCING THE AUTHORITY**

13.1 Property Tax Levy by AUTHORITY. Subject to the terms and conditions provided in Section 12 of Act 57, the AUTHORITY may levy a tax upon all of the taxable property within the jurisdiction of the AUTHORITY for the purposes of Act 57. The tax shall not be levied without the approval of a majority of the registered electors residing within the AUTHORITY's jurisdiction and qualified to vote and voting on the tax. The election may be called by resolution of the Board of the AUTHORITY pursuant to Michigan law and in compliance with Act 57. Taxes authorized by the AUTHORITY may be levied at a rate not to exceed twenty (20.00) mills and for a period as determined by the Board in the resolution calling the election and included in the ballot proposal. The taxes shall be levied, collected, and paid by each tax assessing and collecting officer and the County Treasurer to the AUTHORITY as provided by Act 57.

- 13.2 **Financial Contribution from Each Incorporating Municipality.** During any time when an AUTHORITY-wide tax has not been approved and levied as provided in Subsection A above as set forth above in Section 12.1.B., the AUTHORITY shall determine an appropriate budget and the Incorporating Municipalities agree to pay the annual amounts set forth in the budget as provided in these Articles.
- 13.3 **Property Tax Levy by Municipality.** Any Incorporating Municipality or municipality granted taxing authority under Michigan law may levy a tax on all of the taxable property within the limits of its political subdivision and appropriate, grant, or contribute the proceeds of the tax to the AUTHORITY for the purposes of Act 57 or to provide sufficient money to fulfill its contractual obligation to the AUTHORITY, which tax shall be within the charter, statutory, and constitutional limitations.
- 13.4 **Other Sources of Revenue.** The sources of revenue for financing the AUTHORITY specified herein are non-exclusive. The AUTHORITY, the Incorporating Municipalities and any Non-Incorporating Municipalities may provide for their respective financial contributions to the AUTHORITY from all other sources of revenue authorized by law.
- 13.5 **Federal or State Grants in Aid.** The AUTHORITY shall have the power to apply for and accept grants, loans, or contributions from the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof, the State of Michigan or other public or private agencies; and to do any and all things necessary or desirable to secure such financial or other aid or cooperation in carrying out any of the purposes of Act 57.

ARTICLE 14.

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS; EMERGENCY SERVICE AGREEMENTS

The AUTHORITY by an affirmative vote consistent with the requirements of Article 10.4, may enter into agreements with any Incorporating Municipality, Non-Incorporating Municipalities, or other entities pursuant to Act 57, the Urban Cooperation Act, 1967 PA 7, 1951 PA 33, or another applicable Michigan law for the purpose of, among other things, providing emergency services to the AUTHORITY, Incorporating Municipalities and Non-Incorporating Municipalities and their residents. Contracts by the AUTHORITY to provide emergency services under Section 8 of the Act (MCL 124.608) shall be executed in the name and on behalf of the AUTHORITY by its Chairperson and Secretary by manual or facsimile signature, and the corporate seal of the AUTHORITY or facsimile thereof, shall be printed on and affixed to the contract. An Incorporating Municipality may transfer any Municipal Emergency Service to the AUTHORITY by transfer agreement.

ARTICLE 15.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Unless and until the AUTHORITY adopts such ordinances as provided in MCL 124.609, Incorporating Municipalities, in cooperation with each other, shall promulgate uniform ordinances providing for cost recovery. In addition, the Incorporating Municipalities, in

cooperation with each other, may promulgate ordinances regarding other lawful issues related to the provision of emergency service. From the date on which these ordinances shall take effect; the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the limits of the AUTHORITY. At any time, the Board may adopt other ordinances as set forth in Act 57.

**ARTICLE 16.
IMPROVEMENTS: FINANCING**

- 16.1 **Property Owned by the AUTHORITY.** The AUTHORITY may acquire public or private property by purchase, gift, lease, devise, borrowing or use pursuant to the requirements of Act 57.
- 16.2 **Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.** All assets and liabilities of the Saline Area Fire Department are transferred to the AUTHORITY.
- 16.3 **Transfer of Operating and Capital Accounts.** Applicability of Withdrawal Provisions: Upon the formation of the Authority, all existing Operating and Capital funds maintained by the Saline Area Fire Department shall be transferred to, and thereafter administered by the Authority.

**ARTICLE 17.
EMPLOYEES**

- 17.1 **Power to Employ.** Subject to the terms and conditions provided in Section 10 of Act 57, the Board shall have the power to hire all officers and employees as it may be considered desirable to carry out the functions of the AUTHORITY.
- 17.2 **Fire Chief.** The Board is authorized to hire a Fire Chief. The Fire Chief shall administer the activities conducted and services provided by the AUTHORITY on a daily basis as may be more fully determined by the Board. Selecting and/or terminating a chief requires a two-thirds vote of the Board Members appointed and serving, with at least one Representative Board Member of each Incorporating Municipality present at the time of the vote.
- 17.3 **Transfer of Rank, Position and Seniority.** All Saline Area Fire Department employees will transfer their ranks, positions and seniority into the AUTHORITY at its creation.

**ARTICLE 18.
INVESTMENT**

The Treasurer of the AUTHORITY and the AUTHORITY's consultant, when authorized by resolution of the Board, may invest general funds of the AUTHORITY. Such investment by the Treasurer or consultants shall be made in compliance with the laws of the State of Michigan.

ARTICLE 19.
PUBLICATION OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles shall be published once in the newspaper of record for the AUTHORITY, and once on each municipality's web site, which newspaper and web sites have general circulation within the jurisdiction of the AUTHORITY. One printed copy of the Articles of Incorporation, certified as a true copy, as hereinafter provided, with the dates and places of publication shown by publishers' Affidavit of Publication attached hereto, shall be filed with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of the AUTHORITY is hereby designated as the person to cause these Articles to be published, certified, and filed as aforesaid.

ARTICLE 20.
WITHDRAWAL OF INCORPORATING MUNICIPALITY

- 20.1 **Procedure for Withdrawal.** An Incorporating Municipality may withdraw from the AUTHORITY by resolution of the Incorporating Municipality's legislative body approving the withdrawal, a certified copy of which resolution shall be provided to the Board at least twelve (12) months prior to the beginning of a new fiscal year for the AUTHORITY. Such new fiscal year shall serve as the effective date for the withdrawal. If there is no AUTHORITY-wide tax levied under Section 12 of Act 57, the Incorporating Municipality that withdraws shall continue to be financially obligated to continue all funding, including operations and capital equipment budgets, as required by these Articles or other contract until the Effective Date of the withdrawal.
- 20.2 **Tax Liability.** An Incorporating Municipality that withdraws from the AUTHORITY ("Withdrawing Municipality") shall continue to be subject to any tax levied in its jurisdiction under Section 12 of Act 57 for the duration of the period of that tax as determined pursuant to Section 12(3) of Act 57.
- 20.3 **Debts and Liabilities.** A Withdrawing Municipality shall remain liable for a proportion of the debts and liabilities of the AUTHORITY incurred while the Withdrawing Municipality was a part of the AUTHORITY. The proportion of the AUTHORITY's debts for which a Withdrawing Municipality remains liable as a result of its withdrawal from the AUTHORITY shall be determined by dividing the adjusted state equalized value of the real property in the Withdrawing Municipality by the adjusted state equalized value of all real property in the AUTHORITY on the effective date of the withdrawal.
- 20.4 **Capital Expenditure Limitation.** No capital expenditure made or obligated after the effective notice date shall be assessed to the Withdrawing Municipality.
- 20.5 **AUTHORITY Property.** Any property owned by the AUTHORITY, which is in the possession of the Withdrawing Municipality or in the possession of personnel who will no longer remain with the AUTHORITY as a result of the Withdrawing Municipality's withdrawal from the AUTHORITY, shall be returned to the AUTHORITY before the effective date of the withdrawal. The Withdrawing Municipality shall not

be entitled to the return of any credit for any property or money it transferred to or paid to the AUTHORITY prior to the withdrawal.

- 20.6 **Employees.** Employees of the AUTHORITY who perform emergency services in the jurisdiction of the Withdrawing Municipality shall be protected in relation to the Withdrawing Municipality to the same extent as employees of the Incorporating Municipality are protected in relation to the AUTHORITY under Section 10 of Act 57.
- 20.7 **Dissolution.** If all of the Incorporating Municipalities withdraw or if the AUTHORITY is otherwise dissolved as permitted by law, all assets of the AUTHORITY shall be disbursed at the time of dissolution to the Incorporating Municipalities based on the proportionate share of the taxable value of all taxable property placed on the tax roll in each Incorporating Municipality's jurisdiction, computed the year the dissolution is effective.
- 20.8 **Right to Rescind Withdrawal Notice.** A Withdrawing Municipality that has provided notice of withdrawal may rescind such notice at any time prior to the effective date of withdrawal. Upon delivery of written notice rescinding its withdrawal, the Withdrawing Municipality shall be restored without interruption, and shall retain all rights, privileges, and obligations as if no withdrawal notice had been issued.

ARTICLE 21. EFFECTIVE DATE

These Articles of Incorporation shall become effective on the date when the Articles have approved by all of the governing bodies of the Incorporating Municipalities.

ARTICLE 22. AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any time so as to permit any county, city, village, township or charter township to become a part of this AUTHORITY if such amendment to the Articles of Incorporation is adopted by the governing body of such county, city, village, township or charter township proposing to become a member, and if such amendment is adopted by the governing body of each Incorporating Municipality of which the AUTHORITY is composed. If there is an AUTHORITY-wide tax, the AUTHORITY shall condition acceptance of any county, city, village or township on the authorization of that AUTHORITY-wide millage by the majority of the electors of the municipality desiring to become part of the AUTHORITY. Other amendments may be made to these Articles of Incorporation at any time if adopted by the governing body of each Incorporating Municipality of which the AUTHORITY is composed. Any such amendment shall be endorsed, published, certified and printed copies thereof filed in the same manner as the original Articles of Incorporation, except that the printed and filed copies shall be certified by the Secretary of this AUTHORITY.

**ARTICLE 23.
MISCELLANEOUS**

Counterparts. These Articles of Incorporation may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**ARTICLE 24.
ENDORSEMENT**

These Articles have been adopted by the City of Saline, the Township of Lodi, the Township of Saline, and the Charter Township of York, as set forth in the following endorsements, and in witness whereof the Supervisor and the Clerk of the Townships of Saline and Lodi and the Charter Township of York; the Mayor and the Clerk of the City of Saline; have endorsed thereon the statement of such adoption.

These Articles have been adopted by the several Incorporating Municipalities.

Signatures on following pages

SIGNATURES

These Articles of Incorporation were adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Saline, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, at a meeting duly called on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

TOWNSHIP OF SALINE

Saline Township Supervisor

Saline Township Clerk

These Articles of Incorporation were adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Lodi, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, at a meeting duly called on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

TOWNSHIP OF LODI

Lodi Township Supervisor

Lodi Township Clerk

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These Articles of Incorporation were adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of York, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, at a meeting duly called on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

TOWNSHIP OF YORK

York Charter Township Supervisor

York Charter Township Clerk

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These Articles of Incorporation were adopted by the City Council of the City of Saline, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, at a meeting duly called on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

CITY OF SALINE

Mayor of the City of Saline

Clerk of the City of Saline

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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY SECRETARY

I, _____, hereby certify that I am the Secretary for the Saline Area Fire Authority, State of Michigan; that the above is a true and complete copy of the printed Articles of Incorporation of the Saline Area Fire Authority a public corporation incorporated under the provisions of Act 57 which Articles were published on _____ in the _____, and on _____ in the _____, as stated in the attached affidavits of publication and are on file in said Secretary's office at _____.

Secretary, Saline Area Fire Authority

Dated: , 2025

Submitted by:
Secretary
Saline Area Fire Authority