



**NOTE: THIS MEETING IS BEING TAPED FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING MINUTES ONLY**

**LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, May 5, 2026, at 6:30 pm**

1. **Call to order – Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Consent Agenda**
  - C-1: Approve – April 7, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes and April 15, 2026 Special Meeting Agenda
  - C-2: Accept - Investment Report (treasurer report)
  - C-3: Approve – Checks for Approval – March 31, 2026, Budget Year and 4/8/2026 – 5/5/2026
  - C-4: Recognize – Monthly Budget Report: 2025-2026 (Year End Report) and 2026-2027 Budget
  - C-5: Amend Budget 2025-2026 Budget Year ending adjustments
  - C-6: Recognize Planning Commission Minutes – 4/28/2026
  - C-7: Recognize Board of Appeals Minutes – 4/21/2026
  - C-8: Recognize Sheriff Report
5. **Attorney Report**
6. **Planning Commission Update**
7. **Short Public Comment**

(A member of the public may address the Board briefly, for up to two minutes on an **agenda item**, or request to be scheduled on the agenda of a future meeting.)
8. **Revision / Approval of Agenda**

(Items may be added or deleted from the meeting agenda, and/or the order of items may be changed, at the request of an individual Board member or the Supervisor. The agenda must be approved before proceeding further.)
9. **Unfinished Business - NONE**
10. **New Business:**
  1. **Accept Steve Marsh’s resignation from the Planning Commission**
  2. **Appoint Trustee Rentschler to the Planning Commission as board representative**
  3. **Washtenaw County Sheriff Contract Extension**
  4. **Macke Fireworks Application – July 4<sup>th</sup>**
  5. **Approval of training:**
    - a. **Jens-Christian Meiners & Janet Rogers – Planning Commission – Citizen Planner through MSU Extension \$250.00 – online training**
  6. **Toll Brothers – Arbor Preserve North Request**
  7. **Appoint Supervisor Schaible to the Saline Fire Department (Authority) Board**



10. **Closed Session - if necessary**
11. **Public Comment**  
(A member of the public may address the Board briefly, for up to two minutes.)
12. **FYI**
  1. **Attorney Correspondence**
    - a. **Civil Rights Complaint – Blackburn email and response**
    - b. **Eric Roberts email and response**
  2. **Link to Master Plan Survey Responses is on the website:**  
<https://loditownshipmi.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/Citizen-Survey-Data-full-dataset.pdf> (work in progress data set).
13. **Adjournment**

**Next Regular Meeting will be on June 2, 2026, starting at 6:30pm**

**Please note that Lodi Township does not visually record meetings.**

**There is a possibility of a quorum of Planning Commission Members at this meeting.**

**Individuals who require special accommodation should contact the Township Clerk at (734) 665-7583 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.**





## LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### DRAFT - Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Lodi Township Hall  
3755 Pleasant Lake Road  
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

#### 1. Call to order - Pledge of Allegiance

The regular meeting of April 7, 2026 opened with a brief moment of silence in honor of Township Supervisor Jan Godek followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 pm.

Smith moved to have Foley moderate the meeting due to Godek's absence. Second by Marsh. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none, absent=1. Motion carried, 6-0.

#### 2. Roll Call

Present: Blackburn, Foley, Marsh, Matelski, Rentschler, Smith  
Absent: Godek

#### 3. Public Hearing: Saline Area Fire Authority

Smith moved to open the public hearing for the Saline Area Fire Authority at 6:01 pm. Second by Matelski. A roll call vote was taken. Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Smith=aye, Foley=aye, Rentschler=aye, Matelski=aye, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 6-0.

Charles Schaible stated that he cannot support moving to a Fire Authority because nothing in the Articles of Incorporation states that the response times nor the fire ratings will be lowered. Without a substation in Lodi, he cannot see where it would benefit the Township or how tripling the taxpayer's tax bill will decrease his fire insurance. The Township already has 35% equity in the Fire Department and the Board should consider creating their own fire department.

Another resident stated that he was against this due to the increase in taxes and that the Board of Trustees needs to turn it down.

Brian Sweetland recommended denying the Fire Authority until there is property tax reform based on mailing addresses.

Another resident stated that farmers are struggling these days already. To make a decision that will significantly increase costs to farmers will only encourage more and more farmers to sell to developers and it is not sustainable.

Saline Area Fire Chief Jason Sperle addressed the comments made by the public and explained the difference between approving the Articles of Incorporation and approving a millage. Additionally, he explained that if the Fire Department becomes a Fire Authority, they will be able to take advantage of grants and other sources of funding beyond just tax dollars that they are unable to participate in currently. Due to the age and condition of equipment, the cost of maintaining the Fire Department is going to increase either way. Sperle also reviewed Lodi Township's options if Lodi Township pulls out of the Saline Area Fire Department.

Questions were asked of Sperle by members of the public as well as Trustees which included:

- Is the Saline Area Fire Department in debt? There is no debt, but there are OPEB liabilities for retirees which would be removed from Lodi Township's books and transfer to the Fire Authority if approved. This would improve Lodi Township's tax rating.
- Is the millage set in stone? No. Sperle reviewed local fire department millage rates in the area compared to the current amount of funding the SAFD receives.
- What is the timing for receiving grants and how much would be received? That is unknown, but grants are currently not available with the current structure unless the SAFD partners with another municipality.
- What is the voting structure for the Fire Board? For most issues, it is majority wins, but in the Articles of Incorporation, there are items that require a two-thirds vote in order to pass.
- What is the population density vs. millage rates for the other municipalities whose fire department millage rates were listed by Sperle? It ranges and depends more on tax base than population density.
- What will it do to the fire ratings? It should bring it down if a fire station is built in Lodi Township.
- Since Lodi Township has one of the higher tax bases, why would Lodi Township not be the first community a new substation would be built in? Sperle said that Lodi Township's representatives have not pushed for a substation in the past.
- What share of the \$7 million from the Saline Township data center settlement will Lodi Township receive? The Saline Area Fire Department will be receiving equipment from that settlement, not money. It is a gift.
- How many men would be required to make a substation work? Two per day.
- Can the Lodi Township vote be contingent on the other municipalities approving as well? The Fire Authority does not happen unless all municipalities approve.
- Building a substation in Lodi Township would lower response times and likely lower insurance premiums, but will it lower those enough to offset the increase in taxes?
- If a substation is built, who pays the bills for that substation? The Fire Authority
- What is the Saline Area Fire Department's budget right now? \$2.8 million.
- If the Articles of Incorporation are passed what would the budget be? \$2.9 million
- If the Articles of Incorporation are passed and the goal millage of 2.98 mil passes, what would the budget be? About \$5 million
- For grants, would you hire a grant writer? Some grants can be written in house. Otherwise, there is a local grant writer who charges a couple hundred to a couple thousand per grant depending on the complexity of the application.

Sperle also reviewed the Fire Department's current 10-year plan including building substations in Lodi Township, Saline Township and York Township with 24/7 coverage and new equipment and repair the City of Saline fire station. The goal millage to meet that 10-year plan would be 2.98 mil.

Smith moved to close the public hearing for the Saline Area Fire Authority at 6:49 pm. Second by Rentschler. A roll call vote was taken. Smith=aye, Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Rentschler=aye, Matelski=aye, Foley=aye, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 6-0.

**4. Consent Agenda**

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- C-2: Accept - Investment Report (treasurer report)
- C-3: Approve - Checks for Approval – 3/5/2026 – 4/7/2026
- C-4: Recognize - Monthly Budget Report
- C-5: Amend Budget

<b>April 7, 2026 Budget Amendments 2025-2026 Budget</b>		
101101:704.1	Recording Secretary	\$2,070.00
101101:930.1	Copy Machine	\$133.95
101101:704	Trustee S/W	\$1,126.01
101101:726	General Supplies	\$2,370.41
101101:805	Legal Services	\$6,497.50
101101:807	Site Plan Inspections	\$1,675.00
101171.860	Supervisor Travel/Education	\$94.00
101215:7020	Clerk S/W	\$0.04
101247:704	Board of Review S/W	\$25.00
101247:860	Board of Review Education	\$343.73
101247:900	Board of Review - Public Notices	\$592.00
101410:704	Board of Appeals - S/W	\$250.00
101265:922.1	Internet	\$120.05
101265:920	Electricity	\$1,553.15
101265:922	Telephone	\$80.00
101265:930.5	Snow Removal - TWP	\$3,225.00
101400:801	Consulting Fees	\$7,593.00
701222	County Share	\$76.00
701225	State Education	\$704.00
		<b>\$28,528.84</b>
101101:980.1	Software/Support	-\$5,000.00
101101:716	Medicare - Employer	-\$2,500.00
101101:995	Capital Improvement	-\$1,100.00

101101:810	State/Local Dues	-\$1,100.00
101265:930	Township Hall - Maintenance	-\$3,500.00
101265:921	Natural Gas	-\$1,100.00
101265:930.1	Township - Lawn Maintenance	-\$5,000.00
101301:801	Sheriff	-\$9,228.84
		<b>-\$28,528.84</b>

C-6: Recognize Planning Commission Minutes – 3/24/2026

C-7: Recognize Board of Appeals Minutes – none

C-8: Recognize Sheriff Report

Blackburn moved to approve parts C-2, C-3, C-4, C-6, C-7, and C-8 of the Consent Agenda as presented. Second by Marsh. A voice vote was taken. Aye=Blackburn, Foley, Marsh, Matelski, Nay=Smith, Rentschler, absent=1. Motion carried, 4-2.

**5. Attorney Report: None**

**6. Planning Commission Update:** Sweetland reviewed the most recent Planning Commission meeting held on March 24, 2026.

**7. Short Public Comment**

Public comment began at 6:51 pm. Comments were received from 2 members of the public. Public comment ended at 6:54 pm.

**8. Revision / Approval of Agenda**

Travis Pointe Country Club (TPCC) asked to be removed from the agenda. Discussion about filling the Township Supervisor position needs to be added to the agenda as well as C-1 and C-5 of the Consent Agenda.

Smith moved to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Matelski. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none, absent=1. Motion carried, 6-0.

**9. Unfinished Business:**

**1. Discussion on Policy to Appoint Members to Township Boards**

Smith moved to table the discussion on the Policy to Appoint Members to Township Boards. Second by Rentschler. A roll call vote was taken. Matelski=nay, Rentschler=aye, Foley=aye, Smith=aye, Marsh=aye, Blackburn=nay, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 4-2.

**10. New Business:**

**1. Saline Area Fire Articles of Incorporation**

Township Attorney Jesse O’Jack explained his email with recommendations for changes to the proposed Articles of Incorporation and the reasoning behind those suggestions.

Blackburn moved to approve the Articles of Incorporation of Saline Area Fire Authority as presented in the Board packet with the following changes:

- Section 12.2.C.ii updated to: 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. The Incorporating Municipalities shall each vote on the budget and it is adopted if all of the Incorporating Municipalities approve it. If the budget fails, the Board will cause to be prepared a new budget that will again be submitted to the Incorporating Municipalities for approval.
- Section 24.2 changed to: In every situation where 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 is required, if no representatives of an Incorporating Municipality appear at a meeting of the Board for two or more consecutive meetings where the vote is called and the meetings are at least a month apart, the requirement that at least one member of each Incorporating Municipality must be present at the time of the vote is suspended.

Second by Marsh. A roll call vote was taken. Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Smith=aye, Matelski=aye, Rentschler=aye, Foley=aye, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 6-0.

## **2. WCRC – Lodi Township 2026 Road Projects**

Smith read a handwritten note on an email that she found on Supervisor Godek's desk ~~an email~~ between that originated between Blackburn and Adam Lape from the Washtenaw County Road Commission (WCRC). Smith also clarified which roads are the County's job to maintain and which roads are the Township's job to maintain as well as the reasoning why, financially, subdivision roads cannot be maintained by the Township.

Adam Lape and Ken Harris from WCRC were present to express condolences, explain the process for determining what work needs done when, explain the reasoning for the provided projects and answer questions from Trustees.

Smith found a quote on Godek's desk from November 2025 for paving Ellsworth Road from Maple Road to Saline Ann Arbor Road. Smith stated that Godek made it very clear her that she wanted that stretch of road taken care of because it is unsafe, gets abused, and needs to be done. After the road is paved, the County would be able to take over maintenance and care of that road. Due to the current hill cut project by WCRC on Ann Arbor Saline Road and the plans the owner on the corner of Ellsworth Road and Ann Arbor Saline Road has, this project would be easier and more financially feasible to complete at this time.

Blackburn reviewed the history of their requests for a road maintenance plan and questions regarding road work and asked multiple questions.

Smith moved to approve the 2026 Lodi Township Agreement as presented with the addition of Ellsworth Road from Wagner Road to Saline Ann Arbor Road for \$150,000.00 and Noble Road pavement portion for \$20,000.00 with an agreement to revisit in July once actual costs come in to be able to see what is feasible to enter into an agreement with the County to do design services for Ellsworth Road from Maple Road to Ann Arbor Saline Road. Second by Rentschler. A roll call vote was taken. Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Smith=aye, Foley=aye, Rentschler=aye, Matelski=aye, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 6-0.

Marsh requested to discuss setting up a subcommittee for the roads in two months. Blackburn requested for the Board of Trustees to allow Lape to respond to Blackburn's emails.

**3. Request from Janet Rogers – Wood-Rogers Farm Historic District – Resolution #2026-010**

A discussion was held regarding the request for the Wood-Rogers Farm Historic District and Resolution #2026-010. An updated Service Contract is needed before proceeding with action.

**4. C-1: Approve – March 3, 2026 regular meeting minutes and March 18, 2026 Special meeting minutes**

After discussion, Blackburn moved to approve the March 18, 2026 Special meeting minutes as included on the table for the public due to the incorrect version being included in the Board packet with the following footnote added after "Toll Brothers representative Jason Iacoangeli stated that the wording of the agreement to provide two trees per lot is the exact wording approved by the Township in the minutes" located in 5. New Business 1. Toll Brothers Development Agreement Resolution #2026-009: "That was incorrectly stated at the meeting; the minutes say "Toll Brothers will provide" and the wording was changed to "offer" and "could"." Second by Marsh. A roll call vote was taken. Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Smith=nay, Foley=nay, Rentschler=nay, Matelski=aye, Godek=absent. Motion failed, 3-3.

Foley moved to approve the March 18, 2026 Special meeting minutes as included on the table for the public due to the incorrect version being included in the Board packet as presented. Second by Smith. A roll call vote was taken. Smith=aye, Foley=aye, Matelski=aye, Rentschler=aye, Marsh=aye, Blackburn=aye, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 6-0.

Smith moved to approve the March 3, 2026, regular meeting minutes as presented. Second by Matelski. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none, absent=1. Motion carried, 6-0.

**5. C-5: Amend Budget**

Smith reviewed the timing and need for the presented budget amendments.

Smith moved to approve the Budget Amendments as presented. Second by Rentschler. A roll call vote was taken. Matelski=aye, Rentschler=aye, Foley=aye, Smith=aye, Marsh=aye, Blackburn=aye, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 6-0.

**6. Discussion regarding vacant Supervisor position due to Godek's death**

Two people have expressed interest in the open position. According to Michigan statutes, the Township has 45 days from April 3, 2026, to fill the open position. The County Clerk has confirmed that if the position is not filled after the 45 days, the position will remain open and they will not hold the special election required by the Michigan statutes. Smith and Foley have had to cover Godek's duties in the interim. A replacement is needed to help take that load off of Smith and Foley.

Blackburn felt the Township needed time to grieve and allow time for any other interested candidates to submit interest to be reviewed and decided on at the May Board of Trustee meeting.

Blackburn moved to post the vacant position of Township Supervisor and table the discussion until the May Board of Trustee meeting. The motion failed for lack of second.

Smith moved to appoint Jacob Schaible to the vacant position of Township Supervisor until an election can be held. Second by Rentschler.

During discussion regarding this motion, Eric Roberts disrupted the meeting and the Sheriff Department was called. ~~interrupted the meeting out of order and would not comply with the requests from O'Jack or multiple Trustees to either sit down and be quiet or leave. A call was made to the Sheriff with a request to remove Roberts from the meeting. Roberts left the meeting during that phone call making a verbal comment towards the Clerk on his way out before the police could arrive.~~

O'Jack and Blackburn agreed to talk after the meeting about why Godek's deputy would not be able to help out and fill in until an appointment is made.

A roll call vote was taken. Smith=aye, Rentschler=aye, Matelski=aye, Marsh=aye, Blackburn=nay, Foley=aye, Godek=absent. Motion carried, 5-1.

**11. Closed Session: None**

**12. Public Comment**

Public comment began at 8:50 pm. Public comment was received from 1 person. Public comment ended at 8:51 pm.

**13. FYI:**

1. Planner Scope of Services
2. James McDonald filed an official complaint with the Michigan Civil Rights Commission since the last Board of Trustee meeting. A response has been filed by David Landry who was appointed to represent the Township by the Township's insurance company.

**14. Adjournment**

Smith moved to adjourn at 8:54 pm. Second by Foley. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none, absent=1. Motion carried, 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Smith,  
Lodi Township Clerk

Michelle Joppeck,  
Recording Secretary





## LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Special Meeting

April 15, 2026,  
10:00 AM

3755 PLEASANT LAKE ROAD  
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN 48103

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Rentschler, Foley, Smith, Schaible, Marsh, Blackburn. Absent: Matelski.

Public Comment was offered at 10:00am – several comments we received.

Motion Smith, seconded Rentschler to approve agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

Motion Smith, seconded Foley to reappoint Jane Chronis to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term ending March 31, 2028. Roll Call Vote: Yea: Blackburn, Marsh, Schaible, Smith, Foley, Rentschler. Nay: none. Absent: Matelski. Motion Carried 6-0, 1 absent.

Trustee Blackburn addressed the board regarding the trees that have been cut on the Arbor Preserve North site. Attorney O'Jack and MC addressed the board regarding the cutting that has been done.

Motion Marsh for OHM (Engineer MC) to provide monthly work summary of Arbor Preserve site to the Township Clerk to be included in the board packet. Seconded by Blackburn. Roll Call Vote: Yea: Rentschler, Foley, Smith, Schaible, Marsh Blackburn. Nay: None. Absent: Matelski. Motion Carried 6-0, 1 absent.

Motion to adjourn @ 11:02am Smith, seconded by Foley. Motion carried 6-0, 1 absent.

Upcoming Meetings:

Board of Trustee Meeting – May 5, 2026 @ 6:30pm

Christina Smith, Clerk Lodi Township



INVESTMENT REPORT  
4/29/2026  
Preliminary

Account	Balance
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
Bank of Ann Arbor Checking	79,272.61
Bank of Ann Arbor Savings	195,682.84
BoAA ICS Account (fully FDIC)	1,764,644.14
Flagstar CD	149,585.76
Flagstar CD	175,893.12
Flagstar MM	60,716.33
JP Morgan Chase CD	171,983.40
JP Morgan Chase savings	10,141.15
Old National	125,000.00
Northstar bank new CD	209,112.24
Cash Drawer	200.00
Total Cash and Bank Accounts	2,942,231.59
Lodi Twp Road Fund (for SADs)	715,081.01
Tree Replacement Mitigation Funds Toll Bros	750,000.00
Cemetery Fund:	
Old National CD Cemetery	121,284.34
Old National Cemetery Checking	35,820.53
	157,104.87
Lodi Historical Society	1,276.15
Total	\$ 4,565,693.62



INVESTMENT REPORT  
3/31/2026

<u>Account</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Cash and Bank Accounts	
Bank of Ann Arbor Checking	33,816.17
Bank of Ann Arbor Savings	68,905.13
BoAA ICS Account (fully FDIC)	1,764,644.14
Flagstar CD	149,585.76
Flagstar CD	175,893.12
Flagstar MM	60,716.33
JP Morgan Chase CD	171,983.40
JP Morgan Chase savings	10,141.15
Old National	125,000.00
Northstar bank new CD	204,773.11
Cash Drawer	<u>200.00</u>
Total Cash and Bank Accounts	2,765,658.31
Lodi Twp Road Fund (for SADs)	715,081.01
Cemetery Fund:	
Old National CD Cemetery	121,284.34
Old National Cemetery Checking	<u>34,395.53</u>
	155,679.87
Lodi Historical Society	1,276.15
Total	\$ 3,637,695.34



3/31/2026 Additional Checks for Approval

2025-2026 BY

#22747	OHM	\$23,094.50	Planner - February through March 31
#22745	TDF Hauling & Plowing	\$234.00	
#22746	Washtneaw County Treasurer	\$43,661.68	
#22748	Jesse O'Jack	\$202.50	



12:02 PM

## Lodi Township (General Fund)

04/28/26

## 2025-2026 Budget

Cash Basis

	Apr '25 - Ma...	Budget	\$ Over Budg...
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
101404 Road Millage Income (Township Roads)	573,238.05	565,000.00	8,238.05
1014485 Special Assessment Inco	0.00		
101451 Franchise Fees (Franchise Fees)	67,320.98	72,000.00	-4,679.02
101602 Municipal Civil Infrac (Municipal Civil Infractions)	0.00	200.00	-200.00
101626 Tax Collection Fees (Tax Collection Fees )	13,042.00	13,000.00	42.00
101656 sheriff false alams (Sheriff False Alarm Fees)	470.00	500.00	-30.00
101664 Interest (Interest Earnings)	98,857.11	60,000.00	38,857.11
101675 Fire protection revenues (Fire Protection Revenues )	0.00	0.00	0.00
101390 · Transfer from Fund Balan (Transfer from Fund Balance)	0.00	0.00	0.00
101402 · Township 1 Mill Tax (Township 1 Mill Tax)	532,173.04	532,000.00	173.04
101403 · PPT Reimbursemet (PPT Reimbursemet)	667.19	0.00	667.19
101448 · Special Assessments (Special Assessments)			
101 (Brookview Highlands Lighting District)	5,498.75	5,700.00	-201.25
102 (2012 Waters Road Special Assessment District)	0.00	0.00	0.00
SAD East Arbor (SAD East Arbor)	7,532.68	6,945.00	587.68
103 · Robert Lane SAD (Robert Lane SAD)	1,941.44	1,940.00	1.44
101448 · Special Assessments (Special Assessments) - Other	0.00		
Total 101448 · Special Assessments (Special Assessments)	14,972.87	14,585.00	387.87
101460 · Election Reimbursement (Election Reimbursement)	8,132.09	0.00	8,132.09
101500 · Cemetery Plots/Columbarium (Cemetery Plots/Columbarium)	9,600.00	3,000.00	6,600.00
101528 · Other Federal Grants ARPA Funds (Other Federal Grants ARPA Fund...)	0.00	0.00	0.00
101570 · Liquor License Return (Liquor License Retrun)	2,733.50	3,000.00	-266.50
101574 · Revenue Sharing (Revenue Sharing )	705,729.52	690,000.00	15,729.52
101575 · Metro Act Funds (Metro Act Funds)	14,922.96	10,000.00	4,922.96
101580 · Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund)	0.00	0.00	0.00
101601 · District Court Fees (District Court Fees)	3,776.85	9,000.00	-5,223.15
101606 · Land Inspection Fees (Land Inspection Fees)			
101 Variance Fees (Variance Fees)	1,050.00	1,000.00	50.00
102 Site Plan review PC (Site Plan Review Planning Commission)	2,000.00	4,000.00	-2,000.00
103 Special Use Permits (Special Use Permits)	1,000.00	2,000.00	-1,000.00
104 Rezoning Fees (Rezoning Fees)	0.00	0.00	0.00
106 Site Plan Inspections (Site Plan Inspections)	12,950.00	10,000.00	2,950.00
107 House Numbering (House Numbering)	250.00	400.00	-150.00
105 · Home Occupation Permit (Home Occupation Permit)	0.00	250.00	-250.00
108 · Special Meeting-Trustee (Special Meeting-Trustee)	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
109 · Special Meeting-PC (Special Meeting-PC)	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
101606 · Land Inspection Fees (Land Inspection Fees) - Other	0.00		
Total 101606 · Land Inspection Fees (Land Inspection Fees)	19,250.00	17,650.00	1,600.00
101616 · Manufactured Home Community Fee (Manufactured Home Communi...)			
101 Township share (Township Share)	1,719.50	1,500.00	219.50
102 County Share (County Share)	1,719.50	1,500.00	219.50
103 SET (State Education Tax (SET))	6,878.00	5,600.00	1,278.00
101616 · Manufactured Home Community Fee (Manufactured Home Comm...)	0.00		
Total 101616 · Manufactured Home Community Fee (Manufactured Home Co...)	10,317.00	8,600.00	1,717.00
101628 · Miscellaneous Income (Miscellaneous Income)			
101 (Zoning/Master Plan Sales)	0.00	0.00	0.00
102 (Copies)	0.00	0.00	0.00
103 Miscellaneous Revenue (Miscellaneous Revenue)	117.25	2,000.00	-1,882.75
104 Cemetery Donations (Cemetery Donations)	0.00	0.00	0.00
107 · Late Property Transfer Fees (Late Property Transfer Fees)	0.00	0.00	0.00
110 · Election Reimbursement	0.00		
101628 · Miscellaneous Income (Miscellaneous Income) - Other	44.95		
Total 101628 · Miscellaneous Income (Miscellaneous Income)	162.20	2,000.00	-1,837.80
101630 · Split Application/Boundary Adju (Split Application/Boundary Adjust...)	400.00	1,200.00	-800.00
201336 · Fire Special Assessment (Fire Special Assessment)	550,606.03	545,000.00	5,606.03
Total Income	2,626,371.39	2,546,735.00	79,636.39
Cost of Goods Sold			



**Lodi Township (General Fund)  
2025-2026 Budget**

	Apr '25 - Ma...	Budget	\$ Over Budg...
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold (Costs of items purchased and then sold to custo...	0.00		
<b>Total COGS</b>	<b>0.00</b>		
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>2,626,371.39</b>	<b>2,546,735.00</b>	<b>79,636.39</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
101262 Elections (Elections)			
702 Election Salary & Wages (Salaries & Wages)			
702.5 · Election APRA Premium Pay (ARPA Premium Pay)	0.00	0.00	0.00
702 Election Salary & Wages (Salaries & Wages) - Other	4,549.50	5,000.00	-450.50
<b>Total 702 Election Salary &amp; Wages (Salaries &amp; Wages)</b>	<b>4,549.50</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>-450.50</b>
726 Election General Supplies (General Supplies)	2,136.56	2,000.00	136.56
860 Travel - Elections (Travel)	0.00	0.00	0.00
900 Election Public Notices (Public Notices)	621.00	500.00	121.00
101262 Elections (Elections) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101262 Elections (Elections)</b>	<b>7,307.06</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>	<b>-192.94</b>
<b>Accrued Interest</b>	<b>0.00</b>		
101101 · Township Board Expenses (Township Board)			
704.1 (Board of Trustee Recording Secr)	2,070.00	2,070.00	0.00
807.1 (Mileage and Expenses (site plan inspections) )	0.00	0.00	0.00
930 Equipment Repair (Equipment Repair)	0.00		
930.1 (Copy Machine Maintenance/per copy cost)	2,933.95	2,933.95	0.00
995 (Capital Improvement)	8,830.20	8,900.00	-69.80
702 · Salaries (Salaries & Wages Twp Board)	0.00	0.00	0.00
704 · Trustees/Misc. per Diem (Trustees/Misc per Diem)	8,326.01	8,326.01	0.00
704.2 · Fire Board Per Diem (Fire Board Per Diem)	0.00	0.00	0.00
715 · FICA - Employer (FICA - Employer )	10,144.77	11,000.00	-855.23
716 · Medicare - Employer (Medicare - Employer)	316.57	500.00	-183.43
720 · payroll expenses (Payroll Expenses)	1,695.54	1,700.00	-4.46
726 · General Supplies (General Supplies)	33,405.81	31,870.41	1,535.40
803 · Audit (Audit)	11,330.00	11,330.00	0.00
805 · Legal Services (Legal Services)	34,497.50	34,497.50	0.00
807 · Site Plan Inspections (Site Plan Inspections)	7,675.00	7,675.00	0.00
810 · State/Local Dues (State/Local Dues)	7,328.00	7,400.00	-72.00
830 · Twp. Ord Enforcement (Twp. Ord. Enforcement Expense)	0.00		
860.1 · 860.1 Education (Education)	461.26	1,200.00	-738.74
870 · Pathway Exp. (Pathway Exp.)	26,613.25		
900 · Public Notices (Public Notices)	2,498.00	2,500.00	-2.00
910 · 910 Insurance/bonds (Insurance/Bonds)	19,587.00	20,000.00	-413.00
963 · Misc Exp/Service Charges (Misc Exp/Service Charges)	724.61	400.00	324.61
967 · Land Preservation (Land Preservation)	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
980 · Equipment Twp (Equipment)	12,005.80	2,500.00	9,505.80
980.1 · Software & Support (Software and Support Twp)	10,777.33	11,000.00	-222.67
990 · ARPA Expenses (ARPA Expenses)	0.00	0.00	0.00
101101 · Township Board Expenses (Township Board) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101101 · Township Board Expenses (Township Board)</b>	<b>201,220.60</b>	<b>166,802.87</b>	<b>34,417.73</b>
101171 · 101171 Supervisor (Supervisor)			
702 Salaries and Wages Supervis (Salaries and Wages)	46,233.96	46,234.00	-0.04
702.1 Deputy Supervisor (Deputy Supervisor)	0.00	0.00	0.00
860 Travel & Education Supervis (Travel & Education Supervisor)	94.00	94.00	0.00
101171 · 101171 Supervisor (Supervisor) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101171 · 101171 Supervisor (Supervisor)</b>	<b>46,327.96</b>	<b>46,328.00</b>	<b>-0.04</b>
101215 · 101215 Clerk (Clerk)			
702 (Salaries and Wages)	47,510.04	47,510.04	0.00
702.1 (Deputy Clerk)	7,431.50	8,000.00	-568.50
860 (Travel & Education)	0.00	100.00	-100.00
101215 · 101215 Clerk (Clerk) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101215 · 101215 Clerk (Clerk)</b>	<b>54,941.54</b>	<b>55,610.04</b>	<b>-668.50</b>



**Lodi Township (General Fund)  
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	Apr '25 - Ma...	Budget	\$ Over Budg...
101247 - Board of Review (Board of Review)			
704 (Board of Review per Diem)	1,725.00	1,725.00	0.00
860 (Education)	214.00	343.73	-129.73
900 (Public Notices)	992.00	992.00	0.00
101247 - Board of Review (Board of Review) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101247 - Board of Review (Board of Review)</b>	<b>2,931.00</b>	<b>3,060.73</b>	<b>-129.73</b>
101253 - 101253 Treasurer (Treasurer)			
702 (Salaries and Wages)	46,233.96	46,234.00	-0.04
702.1 (Deputy Treasurer)	5,728.50	6,200.00	-471.50
860 (Travel & Education)	0.00	100.00	-100.00
101253 - 101253 Treasurer (Treasurer) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101253 - 101253 Treasurer (Treasurer)</b>	<b>51,962.46</b>	<b>52,534.00</b>	<b>-571.54</b>
101257 - Assessing Services (Assessing Services)			
702 Assessor Salary & Wages (Salaries and Wages)	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
801 Contract services Assessor (Contract Services)	64,741.08	64,741.00	0.08
957 Tax Tribunal Services (Tax Tribunal Services)	0.00		
101257 - Assessing Services (Assessing Services) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101257 - Assessing Services (Assessing Services)</b>	<b>65,741.08</b>	<b>65,741.00</b>	<b>0.08</b>
101265 - Township Hall (Township Hall)			
922.1 (Internet Access)	3,120.05	3,120.05	0.00
930 (Maintenance - Repair)	2,799.89	3,000.00	-200.11
726.1 - Township Hall Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00
920 - Electricity Twp Hall (Electricity)	4,638.57	5,053.15	-414.58
921 - Natural Gas (Natural Gas)	1,355.48	1,400.00	-44.52
922 - Telephone (Telephone)	880.00	880.00	0.00
930.1 - Lawn Maintenance-TWP (Lawn-TWP)	2,770.00	3,000.00	-230.00
930.5 - Snow Removal-TWP (Snow-TWP)	5,725.00	5,725.00	0.00
935 - Siren Expenses (Siren Expenses)	2,878.72	3,000.00	-121.28
101265 - Township Hall (Township Hall) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101265 - Township Hall (Township Hall)</b>	<b>24,167.71</b>	<b>25,178.20</b>	<b>-1,010.49</b>
101276 - Cemetery Expenses (Cemetery)			
702 Cemetery Salaries & Wages (Salaries & Wages)	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
645 - Cemetery Lots & Columbarium (Sale of burial spaces)	0.00	0.00	0.00
801 - Cemetery Contract Care (Contract Care)	0.00	0.00	0.00
930 - Cemetery Maintenance (Maintenance)	1,324.00	2,000.00	-676.00
940 - Lawn Maintenance-CEM (Lawn-CEM)	8,925.00	8,950.00	-25.00
950 - Snow Removal-CEM (Snow-CEM)	450.00	500.00	-50.00
101276 - Cemetery Expenses (Cemetery) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101276 - Cemetery Expenses (Cemetery)</b>	<b>11,899.00</b>	<b>12,650.00</b>	<b>-751.00</b>
101301 - Sheriff (Sheriff)			
801 Patrol Personnel Sheriff (Patrol Personnel)	503,473.34	551,171.16	-47,697.82
101301 - Sheriff (Sheriff) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101301 - Sheriff (Sheriff)</b>	<b>503,473.34</b>	<b>551,171.16</b>	<b>-47,697.82</b>
101336 - 101336 Fire Expenses (Fire)			
703 Runs - Resident Twp Paid (Runs - Resident Twp Paid)	0.00		
703.1 Runs Non Resident (Runs Non Resident)	0.00		
703.2 Runs - False Fire Alarms (Runs - False Fire Alarms)	0.00		
703.3 Resident - no burn permit (Resident - no burn permit)	0.00		
801 Fire Operating Exp (Operating)	827,901.98	888,816.00	-60,914.02
980 Equipment Expense Fire (Equipment)	61,380.00	61,380.00	0.00
802 - SAFD ARPA	0.00		
101336 - 101336 Fire Expenses (Fire) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101336 - 101336 Fire Expenses (Fire)</b>	<b>889,281.98</b>	<b>950,196.00</b>	<b>-60,914.02</b>
101345 - 101345 Special Assessments (Special Assessments)			
448 BHL D Exp (Brookview Highlands Lighting District)	5,604.30	5,700.00	-95.70
448.1 Waters Rd SAD (Waters Road Special Assessment)	0.00		



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101345 · 101345 Special Assessments (Special Assessments) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101345 · 101345 Special Assessments (Special Assessments)</b>	<b>5,604.30</b>	<b>5,700.00</b>	<b>-95.70</b>
101400 · Planning and Zoning (Planning and Zoning)			
704 (Salaries & Wages)	13,500.00	13,500.00	0.00
704.1 (Planning and Zoning Wages (secretary))	2,137.50	3,000.00	-862.50
801 (Consulting Fees)	52,487.50	32,593.00	19,894.50
900 (Public Notices)	767.00	2,500.00	-1,733.00
850 · Ordinance Review Legal Fees (Ordinance Review Legal Fees)	0.00	0.00	0.00
860 · PC Travel/Education (PC Travel/Education)	0.00	500.00	-500.00
101400 · Planning and Zoning (Planning and Zoning) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101400 · Planning and Zoning (Planning and Zoning)</b>	<b>68,892.00</b>	<b>52,093.00</b>	<b>16,799.00</b>
101410 · Board of Appeals (Board of Appeals)			
704 (Salaries & Wages)	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
900 (Public Notices)	0.00	0.00	0.00
704.1 · ZBA Recording Secretary (ZBA Reording Secretary)	180.00	300.00	-120.00
101410 · Board of Appeals (Board of Appeals) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101410 · Board of Appeals (Board of Appeals)</b>	<b>1,430.00</b>	<b>1,550.00</b>	<b>-120.00</b>
101440 · Public Works (Public Works)			
445 Drain Tax (Drain Tax)	15,639.48	20,371.21	-4,731.73
445.3 River Raisin Watershed (River Raisin Watershed)	484.00	484.00	0.00
447 Engineering Services (Engineering Services)	0.00	0.00	0.00
449 Public Road Services (Public Road Services)	439,725.56	565,000.00	-125,274.44
550 · WAVE Public Transportation (WAVE)	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
101440 · Public Works (Public Works) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101440 · Public Works (Public Works)</b>	<b>465,849.04</b>	<b>595,855.21</b>	<b>-130,006.17</b>
101999 · 1019999003 MISC Adj	0.00		
201622 · Recycling Services (Recycling Services)			
801 (Contract Pickup)	12,900.00	18,000.00	-5,100.00
803 (Yard Waste)	12,030.25	17,000.00	-4,969.75
805 (Shredding Event)	0.00		
201622 · Recycling Services (Recycling Services) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 201622 · Recycling Services (Recycling Services)</b>	<b>24,930.25</b>	<b>35,000.00</b>	<b>-10,069.75</b>
66000 · Payroll Expenses (Payroll expenses)	0.00		
701222 · Manufactured Homes/County Share (Manufactured Homes/County S...	1,576.00	1,576.00	0.00
701225 · Manufactured Homes/SET (Manufactured Homes/SET)	6,304.00	6,304.00	0.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>2,433,839.32</b>	<b>2,634,850.21</b>	<b>-201,010.89</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>192,532.07</b>	<b>-88,115.21</b>	<b>280,647.28</b>
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Expense			
80000 · Ask My Accountant (Transactions to be discussed with accountant, cons...	0.00		
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>0.00</b>		
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>192,532.07</b>	<b>-88,115.21</b>	<b>280,647.28</b>



**Lodi Township (General Fund)  
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Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
<b>Bank</b>					
<b>Bank of AA General Checking (General Fund Checking)</b>					
04/10/2026	eft	Michelle Joppeck (recording sec)		-SPLIT-	-344.50
04/10/2026	eft	Teddy M Sotiropoulos		-SPLIT-	-569.13
04/10/2026	eft	Theresa L Blaty		-SPLIT-	-519.35
04/10/2026	eft	Stephanie M. Renius		-SPLIT-	-881.00
04/13/2026	22768	Jane Chronis	VOID: Board Review ...	860 (Education)	0.00
04/13/2026	EFT	Cynthia A Strader		-SPLIT-	-198.23
04/13/2026	EFT	David R Stevenson		-SPLIT-	-132.14
04/13/2026	22775	Donald A Rentschler		-SPLIT-	-235.49
04/13/2026	22773	Jane V. Chronis		-SPLIT-	-199.48
04/13/2026	EFT	Janet S. Rogers		-SPLIT-	-132.14
04/13/2026	22770	Doug K Frey		-SPLIT-	-92.35
04/13/2026	eft	Alex K Matelski		-SPLIT-	-114.53
04/13/2026	eft	Brian Sweetland		-SPLIT-	-132.14
04/13/2026	eft	Christina M Smith		-SPLIT-	-3,174.22
04/13/2026	eft	Jacob D Schaible		-SPLIT-	-519.24
04/13/2026	eft	Janann M Godek		-SPLIT-	-2,122.97
04/13/2026	22774	Jens-Christian D Meiners		-SPLIT-	-132.14
04/13/2026	eft	Leslie C Blackburn		-SPLIT-	-224.65
04/13/2026	eft	Michelle K Foley		-SPLIT-	-2,717.20
04/13/2026	22776	Steven Marsh		-SPLIT-	-224.65
04/13/2026	22772	Tammy Froberg		-SPLIT-	-132.14
04/14/2026	eft	Craig D. Swenson		-SPLIT-	-352.40
04/15/2026	eft	United States Treasury	38-1946954	-SPLIT-	-4,552.64
04/16/2026	22777	Internal Revenue Service	38-1946954 Tax Perio...	-SPLIT-	-64.22
04/21/2026	eft	State of Michigan {2}	38-1946954	[Reserve State With...	-719.74
04/24/2026	22780	OHM	99624	-SPLIT-	-1,750.00
04/29/2026		Chase Card Services	ending 2070 - Lodi To...	-SPLIT-	-1,631.70
04/29/2026	EFT	DTE Energy	electric	920 · Electricity Twp ...	-308.30
04/29/2026	EFT	DTE Energy	gas	921 · Natural Gas (N...	-153.65
05/05/2026		Washtenaw County Treas - Mo...	March 2026	-SPLIT-	-712.50
05/05/2026		Renius & Renius	May 2026 Assessing	801 Contract service...	-5,395.09
05/05/2026		OHM	99624	-SPLIT-	-3,211.00
05/05/2026		Western Washtenaw Recyclin...		801 (Contract Pickup)	-1,200.00
05/05/2026		Spectrum Printers		726 Election Genera...	-50.08
05/05/2026		Ricoh USA, Inc.		930.1 (Copy Machin...	-318.97
05/05/2026		Postmaster	Permint #105	726 Election Genera...	-370.00
05/05/2026		Cintas Corp		726 · General Suppl...	-112.09
05/05/2026		Sun Times		[TPCC Site Plan Re...	-121.00
05/05/2026		Sun Times		900 · Public Notices ...	-239.00
05/05/2026		Jesse O'Jack	April 1-April 25, 2026	-SPLIT-	-4,500.00
Total Bank of AA General Checking (General Fund Checking)					-38,560.07
<b>Bank of AA Savings (General Fund Savings)</b>					
04/29/2026			Funds Transfer	Bank of AA General ...	-75,000.00
Total Bank of AA Savings (General Fund Savings)					-75,000.00
<b>Total Bank</b>					<b>-113,560.07</b>
<b>Old National Cemetery Checking (Old National Checking Account )</b>					
04/20/2026	1043	Niethammer Rock Shop		930 · Cemetery Main...	-85.00
04/20/2026	1044	Hammer Trucking		930 · Cemetery Main...	-90.00
Total Old National Cemetery Checking (Old National Checking Account )					-175.00
<b>Other Investment Accounts (Other Investment accounts)</b>					
<b>JP Morgan Chase Savings (New account opened 3.29.2017)</b>					
04/30/2026			VOID: Interest	101664 Interest (Inte...	0.00
Total JP Morgan Chase Savings (New account opened 3.29.2017)					0.00
<b>Old Nat-Lodi Historical Society (Account opened 1/20/2016)</b>					
04/30/2026			Service Charge	963 · Misc Exp/Servi...	-0.01
Total Old Nat-Lodi Historical Society (Account opened 1/20/2016)					-0.01



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Accrual Basis

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
		Total Other Investment Accounts (Other Investment accounts)			-0.01
TOTAL					<u>-113,735.08</u>



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	Apr '26 - Ma...	Budget	\$ Over Bud...
101247 · Board of Review (Board of Review)			
704 (Board of Review per Diem)	0.00	1,700.00	-1,700.00
860 (Education)	0.00	400.00	-400.00
900 (Public Notices)	0.00	200.00	-200.00
101247 · Board of Review (Board of Review) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101247 · Board of Review (Board of Review)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,300.00</b>	<b>-2,300.00</b>
101253 · 101253 Treasurer (Treasurer)			
702 (Salaries and Wages)	3,958.33	47,550.00	-43,591.67
702.1 (Deputy Treasurer)	589.50	6,200.00	-5,610.50
860 (Travel & Education)	0.00	100.00	-100.00
101253 · 101253 Treasurer (Treasurer) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101253 · 101253 Treasurer (Treasurer)</b>	<b>4,547.83</b>	<b>53,850.00</b>	<b>-49,302.17</b>
101257 · Assessing Services (Assessing Services)			
702 Assessor Salary & Wages (Salaries and Wages)	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
801 Contract services Assessor (Contract Services)	10,790.18	64,741.00	-53,950.82
957 Tax Tribunal Services (Tax Tribunal Services)	0.00		
101257 · Assessing Services (Assessing Services) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101257 · Assessing Services (Assessing Services)</b>	<b>11,790.18</b>	<b>65,741.00</b>	<b>-53,950.82</b>
101265 · Township Hall (Township Hall)			
922.1 (Internet Access)	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
930 (Maintenance - Repair)	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00
726.1 · Township Hall Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00
920 · Electricity Twp Hall (Electricity)	355.97	3,600.00	-3,244.03
921 · Natural Gas (Natural Gas)	153.65	2,000.00	-1,846.35
922 · Telephone (Telephone)	80.00	800.00	-720.00
930.1 · Lawn Maintenance-TWP (Lawn-TWP)	0.00	4,000.00	-4,000.00
930.5 · Snow Removal-TWP (Snow-TWP)	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
935 · Siren Expenses (Siren Expenses)	109.36	3,000.00	-2,890.64
101265 · Township Hall (Township Hall) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101265 · Township Hall (Township Hall)</b>	<b>698.98</b>	<b>25,900.00</b>	<b>-25,201.02</b>
101276 · Cemetery Expenses (Cemetery)			
702 Cemetery Salaries & Wages (Salaries & Wages)	100.00	1,200.00	-1,100.00
645 · Cemetery Lots & Columbarium (Sale of burial spaces)	0.00	0.00	0.00
801 · Cemetery Contract Care (Contract Care)	0.00	0.00	0.00
930 · Cemetery Maintenance (Maintenance)	175.00	4,000.00	-3,825.00
940 · Lawn Maintenance-CEM (Lawn-CEM)	0.00	10,500.00	-10,500.00
950 · Snow Removal-CEM (Smow-CEM)	0.00	500.00	-500.00
101276 · Cemetery Expenses (Cemetery) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101276 · Cemetery Expenses (Cemetery)</b>	<b>275.00</b>	<b>16,200.00</b>	<b>-15,925.00</b>
101301 · Sheriff (Sheriff)			
801 Patrol Personnel Sheriff (Patrol Personnel)	0.00	620,000.00	-620,000.00
101301 · Sheriff (Sheriff) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101301 · Sheriff (Sheriff)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>620,000.00</b>	<b>-620,000.00</b>
101336 · 101336 Fire Expenses (Fire)			
703 Runs - Resident Twp Paid (Runs - Resident Twp Paid)	0.00		
703.1 Runs Non Resident (Runs Non Resident)	0.00		
703.2 Runs - False Fire Alarms (Runs - False Fire Alarms)	0.00		
703.3 Resident - no burn permit (Resident - no burn permit)	0.00		
801 Fire Operating Exp (Operating)	0.00	1,004,457.00	-1,004,457.00
980 Equipment Expense Fire (Equipment)	0.00	61,380.00	-61,380.00
802 · SAFD ARPA	0.00		
101336 · 101336 Fire Expenses (Fire) - Other	0.00		
<b>Total 101336 · 101336 Fire Expenses (Fire)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,065,837.00</b>	<b>-1,065,837.00</b>
101345 · 101345 Special Assessments (Special Assessments)			
448 BHL D Exp (Brookview Highlands Lighting District)	0.00	5,650.00	-5,650.00
448.1 Waters Rd SAD (Waters Road Special Assessment)	0.00		



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101345 · 101345 Special Assessments (Special Assessments) - Other	0.00		
Total 101345 · 101345 Special Assessments (Special Assessments)	0.00	5,650.00	-5,650.00
101400 · Planning and Zoning (Planning and Zoning)			
704 (Salaries & Wages)	1,100.00	13,500.00	-12,400.00
704.1 (Planning and Zoning Wages (secretary)\ )	60.00	3,000.00	-2,940.00
801 (Consulting Fees)	1,109.50	30,000.00	-28,890.50
900 (Public Notices)	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
850 · Ordinance Review Legal Fees (Ordinance Review Legal Fees)	0.00	0.00	0.00
860 · PC Travel/Education (PC Travel/Education)	0.00	500.00	-500.00
101400 · Planning and Zoning (Planning and Zoning) - Other	0.00		
Total 101400 · Planning and Zoning (Planning and Zoning)	2,269.50	49,000.00	-46,730.50
101410 · Board of Appeals (Board of Appeals)			
704 (Salaries & Wages)	0.00	1,300.00	-1,300.00
900 (Public Notices)	0.00	0.00	0.00
704.1 · ZBA Recording Secretary (ZBA Reording Secretary)	0.00	300.00	-300.00
101410 · Board of Appeals (Board of Appeals) - Other	0.00		
Total 101410 · Board of Appeals (Board of Appeals)	0.00	1,600.00	-1,600.00
101440 · Public Works (Public Works)			
445 Drain Tax (Drain Tax)	0.00	17,000.00	-17,000.00
445.3 River Raisin Watershed (River Raisin Watershed)	0.00	484.00	-484.00
447 Engineering Services (Engineering Services)	0.00	0.00	0.00
449 Public Road Services (Public Road Services)	0.00	595,000.00	-595,000.00
550 · WAVE Public Transportation (WAVE)	0.00	2,850.00	-2,850.00
101440 · Public Works (Public Works) - Other	0.00		
Total 101440 · Public Works (Public Works)	0.00	615,334.00	-615,334.00
101999 · 1019999003 MISC Adj	0.00		
201622 · Recycling Services (Recycling Services)			
801 (Contract Pickup)	1,500.00	16,000.00	-14,500.00
803 (Yard Waste)	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00
805 (Shredding Event)	0.00		
201622 · Recycling Services (Recycling Services) - Other	0.00		
Total 201622 · Recycling Services (Recycling Services)	1,500.00	31,000.00	-29,500.00
66000 · Payroll Expenses (Payroll expenses)	0.00		
701222 · Manufactured Homes/County Share (Manufactured Homes/County S...	142.50	1,500.00	-1,357.50
701225 · Manufactured Homes/SET (Manufactured Homes/SET)	570.00	5,600.00	-5,030.00
Total Expense	40,208.24	2,845,612.00	-2,805,403.76
Net Ordinary Income	-14,491.40	0.00	-14,491.40
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Expense			
80000 · Ask My Accountant (Transactions to be discussed with accountant, cons...	0.00		
Total Other Expense	0.00		
Net Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Income	-14,491.40	0.00	-14,491.40



**May 5, 2026 Budget Amendments**

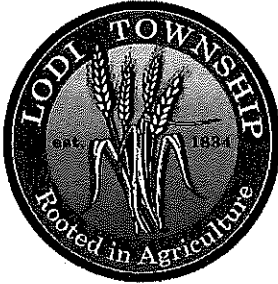
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101101:726	General Supplies	\$1,535.40
101101:963	Misc. Expense/Service Charges	\$324.61
101101:980	Twp. Equipment	\$9,505.80
101400:801	Consulting Fees	\$19,894.50
101257:801	Assessor Contract/Wages	\$0.08
		<b>\$31,260.39</b>
101301:801	<b>Sheriff</b>	<b>-\$31,260.39</b>



draft PC  
minutes  
Coming soon





## LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEALS

### DRAFT - Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 7 pm

Lodi Township Hall  
3755 Pleasant Lake Road  
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

#### 1. Call to order - Pledge of Allegiance

The regular meeting of April 21, 2026 opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:01 pm.

#### 2. Roll Call

Present: Bauer, Chronis, Dever, Schaible, VanKoevering  
Absent: Strader  
Others Present: Township Attorney Jesse O'Jack,  
Township Planner Hannah Firlit,  
Township Engineer MC Moritz,  
Trustee Leslie Blackburn,  
Planning Commissioner Janet Rogers,  
Planning Commissioner Brian Sweetland,  
Recording Secretary Michelle Joppeck,  
Kori Isaac, Daniel Graft, Chris Wilczynski, Chris Fairman, Simon  
Whitelocke, Steven Finn, Alan Mumbu, Fernando Alberdi,  
Katherine Kelly-Alpendi, Joe Wilczynski, Dixon, Craig Swenson, Patricia  
Harroun, and 11 other members of the public

#### 3. Approve 10/21/2025 Minutes

Dever moved to approve the minutes from the 10/21/2025 meeting as presented. Second by VanKoevering. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

#### 4. Revision / Approval of Agenda

Schaible moved to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of reappointing Chronis as Chair. Second by Dever. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

#### 5. Reappoint Jane Chronis as Chair

Schaible moved to reappoint Chronis as Chair. Second by VanKoevering. A voice vote was taken. Aye=4, Nay=none, abstain=Chronis. Motion carried.

- 6. Request from Travis Pointe Country Club, 2829 Travis Pointe Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103, regarding Lodi Township Parcels #M-13-13-400-008 (115.67 acres) & M-13-24-100-002 (63 acres) to appeal Ordinance #54.0 Section O-1&2 and Section I-3&4, to remove 244 regulated trees throughout the Golf Course property without being required to provide tree relocation or replacement.**

Schaible moved to open the public hearing at 7:05 pm. Second by Dever. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

Travis Pointe Country Club representatives Kori Isaac, Daniel Graft, and Chris Wilczynski made a presentation about their history, their request, and their reasoning and support for their request.

Township Planner Hannah Firlit reviewed her review of the request dated April 17, 2026.

Township Engineer MC Moritz reviewed the engineer's job especially with regard to this project, the history of the request from her point of view, and the comment she has as the engineer regarding the request.

The floor was then opened for comments and questions from the public.

A member of the public asked Township Attorney O'Jack the following question: if we followed all the procedures on a timely basis and did everything by the letter of the law, doesn't this become an issue of laches that you have to turn over? O'Jack was unsure about the question, but did not feel it pertained to this situation. Dever stated that this is absolutely not an issue of laches because it is not an unreasonable amount of time.

Dixon recommended making the ordinance clearer so that if someone removes an undesirable tree, they should not be off the hook to replace that tree, but that it should be replaced by a desirable tree instead. He also requested to keep the danger of flooding in mind. Flooding has increased and the Township's drainage infrastructure is already under strain. Removing even one tree can cause immediate issues.

A member of the public questioned Dixon's expertise regarding the connection between removing trees and flooding.

Patricia Harroun stated that the Township has ordinances for a reason and asked to try to follow them as much as possible, but did acknowledge that unhealthy trees may need to be removed. Removing 244 trees without any replacement does not seem reasonable even when it is a golf course.

Another member of the Township noted that the request is to maintain trees that the developer, golf course, and the community have put in, not to strip the land to put something in. In addition, if you look at the greater Travis Pointe community, individual homeowners have installed many trees as well. In light of that and the amount of trees that Travis Pointe installed during construction, it feels punitive now that they are trying to do maintenance on those trees.

A member of Travis Pointe asked the Board member how many have played or know golf.

Fernando Alberdi asked the Board to consider the economic devastation if replacement is required. If replacement is required, members will leave which will bankrupt the club, the site will go into disrepair, and it will be detriment to the Township. The variance is not overly onerous compared to what the economic devastation would be if Travis Pointe were to go out of business.

Another member of the community stated that there have been a lot of memorial trees planted at the Club to honor loved ones who have passed away. That member asked Travis Pointe where they wanted the memorial tree planted because they were aware that, in the past, some willow trees got so big that drains were getting plugged up and caused flooding so they did not want to plant their memorial tree in a place that would cause issues. Those willow trees needed to be removed in order to stop the flooding. Additionally, the member had another flooding event which led to some trees being removed and replaced further down the golf course to prevent future flooding. VanKoevering asked if any of the memorial trees were slated to be removed. The member stated they were not because those trees were planted in cooperation with Travis Pointe to ensure they would be planted somewhere where planting a new tree would not cause crowding and/or flooding.

Dever moved to close the public hearing at 7:55 pm. Second by Schaible. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

Dever stated that it is reasonable to adjust replacement numbers, but no information was provided about why no replacement is being offered. Dever felt it was reasonable to not require replace the undesirable trees. He also asked if there are places to plant memorial trees, are there not still places now to plant replacement trees without destroying the golf course? A representative from Travis Pointe responded that they were not going to plant a tree exactly where a tree was removed because it would be counter negative to what they are trying to achieve.

Dever asked if they have done an analysis of any location where they might be able to replace one or more trees without destroying the improvements that they are making or is there not a square foot on the golf course where a replacement tree could be planted? If there is nowhere to plant a replacement tree, then the memorial trees would need to stop being planted. The Travis Pointe representative stated that there could be areas where replacement trees could be planted, but they would need to analyze that. Dever stated that there has been no showing that there is nowhere where they could safely put replacement trees.

Dever also stated that regarding the economic impact of having to replace the trees, the Zoning Board of Appeals cannot take that into consideration. Monetary impact cannot be reviewed as part of the variance review.

VanKoevering asked, other than the trees that are diseased and overcrowded that are proposed to be removed, what is the plan to make it healthy and to be stewards. A Travis Pointe representative stated that, in his opinion, the plan they have should take care of that, but it is something that will need to be assessed as time goes on. The tree removal is partly to be able to grow turf grass, make the course safer, protect equipment, and maintain the intended use, but it is also to make the remaining trees healthier and more beautiful.

VanKoevering asked if the presented plan is to steward the intended use of the property and not necessarily for the continued overall health of the woods they have. A Travis Pointe representative said that some of the trees may be on easements or not on their property, but they feel like they have put their best plan forward and it will be a continual thing. The trees that they are recommending removal of are the trees that they feel are the most important to remove right now.

Questions about items brought up in letters from members of the public regarding this request were asked by VanKoevering and answered by a Travis Pointe representative.

Bauer asked if the overgrowth on the trees is lack of maintenance over the last 50 years. A Travis Pointe representative stated that it is probably lack of maintenance on the trees, the spacing of the trees, and the species of the trees as some of them are not good golf course trees.

Dever stated that he sees this as something that will not come back to the Zoning Board of Appeals again in 10 years because this request is to play catch up from years of lack of maintenance, where trees were planted in the wrong place, or where the wrong type of trees were planted. He sees it as a laudable and necessary action on the part of the golf course and it is the Board's job to reconcile the maintenance plan with the ordinance where some, but not total, discretion is allowed.

Schaible asked O'Jack if the original site plan did not have the trees being request to be removed on it, could removing those trees be seen as returning the site to the original site plan. O'Jack said it would be difficult to say since the original site plan cannot be located due to being filed with Washtenaw County. Mortiz said she asked the County if they had the original site plan and their response suggested it is pretty unlikely.

Bauer asked, of the 10,000 trees on the property, how many are undesirable trees and how many are overcrowded. A Travis Pointe representative said that would take a longer study to figure out.

Chronis asked how many trees have been planted in the past 10 years or so. A Travis Pointe representative said about 12.

Schaible asked when the last time the golf course was remodeled. A Travis Pointe representative said never.

Dever moved to grant the variance for removal of the requested 244 trees with the requirement of the planting of 103 replacement trees for the reasons set forth in Township Planner Firlit's review dated April 17, 2026 (appended to the end of the minutes) for the Findings of Facts. Second by Chronis.

Schaible asked if a time frame for the tree replacement could be added to the motion. Firlit and O'Jack stated that the Zoning Ordinance states that a site plan has 545 days to begin substantial building construction and can be extended by the Planning Commission for an additional 365 days. Additionally, the Zoning Ordinance allows the Zoning Board of Appeals to allowed to put conditions on a variance.

After further discussion, Dever amended his motion and moved to grant the variance for removal of the requested 244 trees with the requirement of the planting of 103 replacement trees within 3-years for the reasons set forth in Township Planner Firlit's review dated April 17, 2026 (appended to the end of the minutes) for the Findings of Facts. Second by Chronis. A roll call vote was taken. Schaible=aye, Chronis=aye, VanKoevering=aye, Dever=aye, Bauer=aye. Motion carried.

**7. Public comment**

Public comment started at 8:49 pm. Public comments were heard from 5 members of the public. Public comment ended at 8:56 pm

**8. Adjournment**

Dever moved to adjourn at 8:56 pm. Second by VanKoevering. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Chronis,  
Chair

Michelle Joppeck,  
Recording Secretary



April 17, 2026

Zoning Board of Appeals  
Lodi Township  
3755 Pleasant Lake Road  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

**RE: Travis Pointe Country Club Variance Review**

Attn: Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Jane Chronis

<b>Subject:</b>	Variance Review
<b>Description of Application:</b>	The applicant is requesting a variance remove 244 regulated trees without being required to provide tree relocation or replacement.
<b>Site Location:</b>	2829 Travis Pointe Road (Travis Pointe Country Club) Parcel #M-13-13-400-008 and #M-13-24-100-002
<b>Applicant:</b>	Travis Pointe Country Club 2829 Travis Pointe Road Ann Arbor, MI 48108
<b>Zoning:</b>	PUD, Planned Unit Development
<b>Application Date:</b>	March 12, 2026

Dear Board Members:

We have completed a review of the above variance request to permit removal of trees without providing the required tree relocation and replacement. The requested variance is from the requirements outlined in *Section 54.08.I*, and *Section 54.08.O* of the Township’s Zoning Ordinance.

**VARIANCE REQUEST BACKGROUND**

In 2025, Travis Pointe Country Club submitted site plans to the Township for a golf course renovation project consisting of clearing and re-grading of golf course features, including installing underdrains for bunkers, re-grassing, and adjusting the boundaries or locations of golf course features. These plans were reviewed and recommended for approval by the Township Engineer.

Following approval of the plans, it was brought to the Township’s attention that trees were being taken down on the site as part of the project. After communication to the applicant that removal of regulated trees is not permitted without proper review and approval of a replacement plan, the applicant stopped

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further cutting of any trees. The initial site plans that were reviewed by the Township Engineer did not include tree removal or replacement information.

*Section 54.08.I Woodland and Tree Preservation Standards* of the zoning ordinance addresses tree removal and requirements for preservation and replacement. *Section 54.08.O Tree Relocation and Replacement* details the replacement requirements, which are calculated based on the species and size of the trees to be removed.

Upon review of the tree removal/replacement standards, it is our understanding that the applicant has submitted this request to be granted a variance from the replacement standards for the 244 trees proposed to be removed (essentially, to not have to replace those trees).

## VARIANCE REQUEST INFORMATION

As part of their submittal, the applicant has provided details on the existing conditions of the property and has submitted a detailed inventory of the trees proposed to be removed from the site. The application materials indicate there is a total of more than 10,000 existing trees on the site, including some of the original site trees and some that have been planted over time. The applicant notes that the trees being removed are predominantly those that have been negatively affected by disease, have been compromised by cluster planting patterns, or are structurally compromised or dead.

We have reviewed the provided inventory against the ordinance requirements as part of our review, and offer the following analysis:

Based strictly on species and size data, the proposed removal would require a total of 742 replacement trees. However, there are some additional considerations that the Zoning Board of Appeals may wish to consider in its review of the request.

- (1) The ordinance lists species of trees that are prohibited to be used as replacement trees, as they are considered undesirable species (*Section 54.08.O.4*). While evaluating this list in comparison to the inventory provided, a number of trees proposed to be removed are species that would be prohibited to be re-planted to replace what is being removed. This includes silver maples, Austrian pines, elm species, black locusts, ash species, among others.
- (2) The inventory also indicates the health of each tree, many of which are indicated to be in poor health. The inventory includes a ranking matrix of health (1=worst, 5=best). The majority of trees are ranked 3 or below on the health matrix.

Given this information, we have done additional calculations for the Board's consideration. Leaving the undesirable species out of the calculation, a total of 78 trees are proposed to be removed. This requires a total of 323 replacement trees.

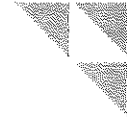
Additionally, taking into consideration the health of the remaining trees, it may be noted that 57 of the 78 trees are ranked as a 2 or lower health rating, and roughly half of those (25 total) are ranked at 1, which is the worst health indicator.

This information is summarized in the table and written form below for easy reference:

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**Summary Table:**

	NUMBER OF TREES REMOVED	NUMBER OF TREES REQUIRED AS REPLACEMENT
TOTAL BASED SOLELY ON SPECIES & SIZE	244	742
TOTAL WITH UNDESIRABLE SPECIES REMOVED	78	323
TOTAL WITH UNDESIRABLE SPECIES REMOVED, AS WELL AS THOSE WITH A HEALTH RATING OF 1	53	238
TOTAL WITH UNDESIRABLE SPECIES REMOVED, AS WELL AS THOSE WITH A HEALTH RATING OF 1 OR 2	21	103

**In written summary:**

- If you find that all 244 trees need to be replaced, then 742 replacement trees will be necessary.
- If you find that undesirable trees do not need to be counted, then only 78 trees will need to be replaced, and only 323 replacement trees will be necessary.
- If you also find that trees with a health rating of 1 do not need to be counted, then only 53 trees will need to be replaced, and only 238 replacement trees will be necessary.
- If you also find that trees with a health rating of 1 or 2 do not need to be counted, then only 21 trees will need to be replaced, and only 103 replacement trees will be necessary.
- If you find that no trees need to be replaced, then no replacement trees will be necessary.

**VARIANCE REVIEW CRITERIA**

Dimensional or non-use variances are regulated under *Section 59.08 Variances* of the Zoning Ordinance. A non-use variance may be allowed by the ZBA only in cases where the applicant has shown there is **reasonable evidence of practical difficulty** in the official record of the hearing, and that all of the following conditions are met:

1. **Practical Difficulties.** Strict compliance with the specified dimensional standard(s) will deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other property owners in the same zoning district, create an unnecessary burden on the applicant, or unreasonably prevent the owner from using the property for a permitted purpose.

**Finding:** Strict compliance with the specified dimensional standard may create a burden on the applicant if siting of the required 742 replacement trees is infeasible throughout the course. The applicant narrative notes that strict compliance would prevent necessary agronomic improvements needed to improve the conditions and management of the property. If strict



compliance diminishes the feasibility of the site to operate properly as a golf course, this may prevent the owner from using the property for its permitted and approved purpose.

2. **Substantial Justice.** The variance will give substantial relief and justice to the applicant, consistent with justice to other property owners in the same district.

**Finding:** It should be noted the property is zoned PUD, Planned Unit Development, which is a unique zoning district. The Board may note that other development projects that utilize the Planned Unit Development zoning mechanism have also sought relief from tree replacement standards.

3. **Unique Circumstances.** The need for the variance is due to unique circumstances peculiar to the land or structures involved, that are not applicable to other land or structures in the same district.

**Finding:** The application notes that the need for the variance is specific to the conditions of the property and land management practices for the specific use of the property. The applicant notes that the turfgrass used for the golf course differs from typical lawns in terms of needed light, airflow, and drainage, to which the trees have been a detriment.

4. **Preservation of Property Rights.** The variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right possessed by other property owners in the same zoning district.

**Finding:** The applicant has noted that the tree removal and non-replacement is necessary for the continuation of proper land management for the golf course.

5. **Public Safety and Welfare.** The requested variance can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of this Ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured. In addition:
  - a. The granting of a variance will not increase the hazard of fire or otherwise endanger public safety.
  - b. The granting of a variance will not unreasonably diminish or impair the value of surrounding properties.
  - c. The granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the area or surrounding properties.
  - d. The granting of a variance will not impair the adequate supply of light and air to any adjacent property.

**Finding:** The spirit of *Section 54.08 Natural Features Protection and Preservation* of the ordinance is to “*protect and preserve natural features to the maximum extent possible when land is developed [which] promotes general public health, safety, and welfare, encourage use of land in accordance with its character and adaptability, protect the natural environment, and conserve natural resources and energy.*” The applicant is proposing to remove 244 of an existing total of 10,000 trees on the site, and notes that some are suffering due to disease and overcrowding. The management of the trees and natural features of the site may speak to protecting and preserving natural features to an extent, as well as encouraging use of land in accordance with its character. The arborist report included in the application notes that many trees are in poor health and removal will improve the health of the property. The applicant should show that the lack of replacement also speaks to the intent of this ordinance. The



requested variance will not increase hazards or endanger public safety or welfare, or impair the supply of light and air. The applicant notes that maintaining a healthy and well-managed course maintains property values and character of the area.

6. **Not Self-Created.** The problem and resulting need for the variance has not been self-created by the applicant or the applicant's predecessors.

**Finding:** The applicant narrative notes that proposed tree removal is based on disease, historic improper planting patterns, structural issues and tree decline, among others. The need for the variance from replacement standards is noted that replacement would not correct the issues of overcrowding. This may be considered as not self-created.

7. **More than Mere Inconvenience.** The alleged hardship and practical difficulties that will result from a failure to grant the variance include substantially more than mere inconvenience or an inability to attain a higher financial return.

**Finding:** Failure to grant the variance as requested would require 742 trees to be planted on the site, which may be more than mere inconvenience if the site does not have capacity for this amount of trees to be planted on the site in a healthy and sustainable pattern.

8. **Minimum Necessary Action.** The reasons set forth in the application justify the granting of the variance, and the variance is the minimum necessary relief to allow reasonable use of the land, building, or structure. The granting of a lesser variance will not give substantial relief and justice to the applicant, consistent with justice to other property owners in the same district.

**Finding:** The applicant has noted that the removal plan is strategic to improve land management and restore the original design intent, but has not necessarily made clear that this is the minimum necessary variance to allow reasonable use of the land. While the proposed number of removal may be the minimum necessary and full replacement (742 trees) is infeasible, the applicant has not provided information that *any* replacement on-site is not feasible.

- If you find that no trees need to be replaced, then no replacement trees will be necessary.

Sincerely,  
OHM Advisors

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Hannah (Smith) Firlit  
Planner



# WASHTENAW COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

EST. 1823

ALYSHIA M. DYER, SHERIFF



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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Distribution Date: 4/20/26

March 2026

### WASHTENAW ALERT (EVERBRIDGE)

As a reminder for residents, they can sign up for "Up-to-the-minute updates" from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office by email or cell phone at [www.washtenaw.org/alerts](http://www.washtenaw.org/alerts)

### HOUSE WATCH

If you plan on being gone for a period of time sign your house up for house checks. The house watch form can be found at: <https://www.washtenaw.org/1743/House-Watch>

### NEW FACES

The Sheriff's Office is hiring! We continue to hire highly qualified, motivated, and diverse people that are committed to pursuing our mission: "Together, we are committed to creating a safer, more just, and compassionate Washtenaw County for all".

If you are interested in joining us in serving your community in Police Services, Corrections, Communications, Emergency Services or Community Corrections please check us out at: <https://www.washtenaw.org/1124/Sheriff>

### PUBLIC DASHBOARD

Check out our Data & Information Dashboard!  
<https://www.washtenaw.org/3915/Sheriff-Data-Information-Dashboard>

#### COMMONLY USED ABBREVIATIONS

AWIM: Assault with Intent to Murder

CCW: Carrying Concealed Weapon

CSC: Criminal Sexual Conduct

DV: Domestic Violence

OID: Operating Under the Influence of Drugs

OWI: Operating While Intoxicated

R&O: Resisting & Obstructing

UDAA: Unlawfully Driving Away an Automobile









# Police Service Data Report

Reporting Period: March



Incidents	Month 2026	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% Change
Animal Complaints	2	18	12	50.0%
Assaultive Crimes	1	3	4	-25.0%
Burglaries	1	2		-
Larcenies			1	-100.0%
Medical Assists	1	5	5	0%
Traffic Stops	51	129	139	-7.2%
Traffic Crashes	4	29	29	0%
Calls For Service Total	155	488	456	7.0%
Citations	9	22	23	-4.3%
<b>In/Out of Area Time</b>	<b>Minutes</b>			
Into Area Time	415			
Out of Area Time	393			

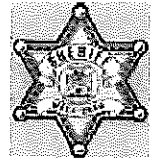
Into Area Time: The time that other areas contracted deputies spent in Lodi. \*ACO, SRP, Command, Countywide, and DB are excluded\*

Out of Area Time: Time that Manchester/Lodi contracted deputies spent anywhere other than Lodi, including non-contract areas.



## CFS Summary

Reporting Period: March



Classification	Month 2026	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% Change
AGGRAVATED/FELONIOUS ASSAULT	1	1	2	-50.0%
BURGLARY -FORCED ENTRY	1	2		-
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY		2	2	0%
EXTORTION			1	-100.0%
FRAUD -FALSE PRETENSE/SWINDLE/CONFIDENCE GAME			5	-100.0%
FRAUD - IDENTITY THEFT		2	2	0%
FRAUD -WIRE FRAUD			1	-100.0%
INTIMIDATION/STALKING			1	-100.0%
LARCENY -THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE			1	-100.0%
NONAGGRAVATED ASSAULT		2	2	0%
SEXUAL CONTACT FORCIBLE -CSC 4TH DEGREE		1		-
<b>Sum:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-33.3%</b>

Classification	Month 2026	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% Change
FAMILY -ABUSE/NEGLECT NONVIOLENT	1	2	2	0%
HIT and RUN MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT			1	-100.0%
JUVENILE RUNAWAY		1		-
PUBLIC PEACE -OTHER			1	-100.0%
TRESPASS			1	-100.0%
<b>Sum:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-40.0%</b>

Classification	Month 2026	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% Change
ALARMS	3	11	16	-31.3%
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	2	19	12	58.3%
MISCELLANEOUS COMPLAINTS	28	85	64	32.8%
MISCELLANEOUS TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS	54	156	154	1.3%
NON - CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS	42	104	99	5.1%
SICK / INJURY COMPLAINT	10	35	15	133.3%
TRAFFIC CRASHES	6	34	34	0%
TRAFFIC OFFENSES		1		-
<b>Sum:</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>12.5%</b>

Classification	Month 2026	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% Change
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# CFS Summary

Reporting Period: March



HAZARDOUS TRAFFIC CITATIONS / WARNINGS		1	7	-85.7%
MISCELLANEOUS A THROUGH UUUU			1	-100.0%
<b>Sum:</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-87.5%</b>

Classification	Month 2026	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% Change
CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITIES	1	3	20	-85.0%
INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITIES	4	16	9	77.8%
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES (6000)	1	8	5	60.0%
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES (6100)	2	8	8	0%
<b>Sum:</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-16.7%</b>

CCW Report



Incident Number	Report Date	Offense	Case Status Disposition



**Out of Area Report**  
**Reporting Period: March**



<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Reporting Area</b>	<b>Duration in Minutes</b>
BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP	10
DEXTER TOWNSHIP	43
FREEDOM TOWNSHIP	10
MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP	44
SCIO TOWNSHIP	201
SHARON TOWNSHIP	10
WEBSTER TOWNSHIP	75
<b>Sum:</b>	<b>393</b>



## Christina Smith

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**From:** Steve Marsh <corvid1964@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 12, 2026 11:08 AM  
**To:** Jan Godek; Christina Smith  
**Subject:** Planning Commission

Hi Jan,

I want to thank you again for asking me to sit as the Board Representative on the Planning Commission. I feel like my contributions to the Planning Commission are arguably more impactful to the township than my work on the Board. Even if I decide not to run for a Trustee position in the future, I would consider sitting on the Planning Commission if a seat was available.

However, I need to reallocate my time commitments to focus more on resolving issues with the township. Once resolved, I would certainly entertain a reappointment if the Board Rep position opens up again.

I'm sorry you haven't been feeling well, and hope you're solidly on the mend!

Steve





# WASHTENAW COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

EST. 1823

ALYSHIA M. DYER, SHERIFF



April 22, 2026

TO: Washtenaw County Sheriff Office Police Services Contract Partners

RE: PSU Contract Extension for 2027

For over 40 years, the Sheriff's Office and Washtenaw County have successfully provided cost-effective, contracted, police services in partnership with our local jurisdictions. We currently use a methodology developed in partnership with the Police Services Steering Committee (PSSC) and approved by the Board of Commissioners in 2010 (Resolution 10-0221).

Additionally, in 2018 and again in 2024, the voters of Washtenaw County approved the Public Safety and Mental Health millage. A portion of the Public Safety portion (38%) of millage proceeds has historically been used and continues to be used to cover the difference between the actual cost of delivering law enforcement services to our contracting jurisdiction partners and the adopted, contract price for those services.

In anticipation of current Police Service Unit (PSU) contracts expiring on December 31, 2026, the Sheriff's Office and the Board of Commissioners agreed to re-instate the Police Services Steering Committee (PSSC). The goal of the PSSC is to *"serve as a standing forum for discussion between the Sheriff's Office, the County, and contracting local units of government regarding matters related to contract police services, including but not limited to Contract Methodology, cost allocation, and deployment..."*

I am recommending, given the PSSC recently was enacted again, that we extend our current PSU contract with the same rate increase for a one-year period to allow for more discussion regarding the methodology for future years. I agree with jurisdictions that have reached out to my office that an extension would best benefit contract partners, the WCSO, the Police Services Steering Committee, and the Board of Commissioners. A one-year extension will allow more time for the Police Services Steering Committee to deeply and intentionally consider its work without the looming December 31, 2026, PSU contract expiration date. An extension will allow time for additional collaboration, fact finding, and engagement.

This extension will utilize the currently adopted methodology. It bases costs on the same 4.25% rate increase that was adopted for 2026.

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Year	Contract Pricing	% Increase
2010	\$144,803	
2011	\$150,595	4.00%
2012	\$150,595	0.00%
2013	\$152,100	1.00%
2014	\$153,621	1.00%
2015	\$155,157	1.00%
2016	\$156,709	1.00%
2017	\$158,276	1.00%
2018	\$160,650	1.50%
2019	\$160,650	0.00%
2020	\$160,650	0.00%
2021	\$163,060	1.50%
2022	\$165,506	1.50%
2023	\$170,471	3.00%
2024	\$177,290	4.00%
2025	\$184,825	4.25%
2026	\$192,680	4.25%
<b>2027</b>	<b>\$200,869</b>	<b>4.25%</b>

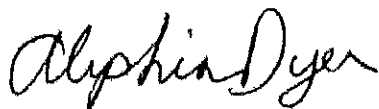
This one-year contract amendment, along with your jurisdiction's originating 2012 agreement is attached to this communication.

Thank you for your continuing partnership. Our goal is always to continue to provide high-quality, cost-effective public safety services.

Our continued partnership and collaboration benefit us all and help the WCSO to achieve its mission of a safer, more just and compassionate Washtenaw County for all.

As always, please do reach out directly with any questions.

Respectfully,



Alyshia M. Dyer  
Sheriff

*Enclosed:*  
2027 PSU Contract Amendment  
Original 2012 PSU Contract

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**WASHTENAW COUNTY  
OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF**

*EST. 1823*

**ALYSHIA M. DYER, SHERIFF**



April 22, 2026

Contract #32856.5

Jacob Schaible, Township Supervisor  
Lodi Township  
3755 Pleasant Lake Road  
Ann Arbor, MI 48130

Dear Supervisor Schaible,

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office and Washtenaw County wish to amend the contract with your township. If this amendment is agreeable to you, please sign and return all copies of this letter. You will receive an executed copy of this letter upon completion.

Accordingly, I hereby amend the Service Contract between Washtenaw County and Lodi Township, dated January 1, 2012, as follows:

Amend ARTICLE II – COMPENSATION AND OVERTIME to extend the contract as follows:

"The price for a PSU is fixed as follows: (1) \$150,594.00 per PSU for 2012; (2) \$152,100.00 per PSU for 2013; (3) \$153,621.00 per PSU for 2014; (4) \$155,157.00 per PSU for 2015; (5) \$156,709.00 per PSU for 2016; (6) \$158,276.00 per PSU for 2017, (7) \$160,650.00 per PSU for 2018 (8) \$160,650.00 per PSU for 2019, (9) \$160,650.00 per PSU for 2020; (10) \$163,060.00 per PSU for 2021; (11) \$165,506.00 per PSU for 2022; (12) \$170,471.00 per PSU for 2023; (13) \$177,290 per PSU for 2024; (14) \$184,825 per PSU for 2025; (15) \$192,680.00 per PSU for 2026; **(16) \$200,869 per PSU for 2027**".

Beginning in 2014, the County reserves the right to adjust these prices as a result of significant unforeseen cost increases in line items containing the Direct Cost categories (Salary, Fringe, Uniform Allowance, Gun Allowance and Fleet). The county and Sheriff shall give each Contracting Partner six (6) months written notice of any such increase."

Amend ARTICLE V – TERM to extend the contract as follows:

"The term of this contract shall be for one hundred eighty months with an effective date of January 1, 2012, and ending on December 31, 2027."

All other terms and conditions remain the same as in the original contract.

**ATTEST:**

**WASHTENAW COUNTY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lawrence Kestenbaum (DATE)  
County Clerk/Register

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gregory Dill (DATE)  
County Administrator

**WASHTENAW COUNTY SHERIFF**

**LODI TOWNSHIP**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alyshia M. Dyer (DATE)  
Sheriff

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jacob Schaible (DATE)  
Township Supervisor

Approved As To Form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Michelle K. Billard (DATE)  
Washtenaw County Counsel

Original:  
Clerk  
Contractor

cc:  
Matthew Harshberger, Undersheriff  
Gary Lowe, Commander, Police Services  
Crystal S. Campbell, WCSO Director of Operations  
Purchasing

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2201 HOGBACK ROAD ♦ ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN 48105-9732 ♦ OFFICE (734) 971-8400 ♦ FAX (734) 973-4624 ♦ EMAIL [SHERIFFINFO@WASHTENAW.ORG](mailto:SHERIFFINFO@WASHTENAW.ORG)

## WASHTENAW COUNTY POLICE SERVICES CONTRACT

AGREEMENT is made this 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2012, by the COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, a municipal corporation, with offices located in the County Administration Building, 220 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48107 ("County"), the WASHTENAW COUNTY SHERIFF, a Michigan Constitutional Officer ("Sheriff") and LODI TOWNSHIP, a Michigan municipal corporation located at 3755 Pleasant Lake Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103 ("Township").

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, for the past nine years, the County and County Sheriff have provided police road patrol services to participating local governmental units pursuant to a contract between the County, County Sheriff and the local governmental entity; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has taken the position that to receive the benefit of police services, local jurisdictions must share paying the responsibility for the service; and

WHEREAS, the County and participating local governmental entities have executed police service contracts and amendments effective through December 31, 2011 providing that the County Sheriff would provide road patrol services pursuant to the terms of the amended contracts; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to execute new contracts effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2015, to insure the seamless continuation of police services for those communities.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

### ARTICLE I - SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. The parties agree that the Township shall contract for three (3) Police Service Units ("PSU") from the Sheriff to provide road patrol and other law enforcement services to the Township. A "PSU" is defined as, "the services of one Sheriff's deputy plus all necessary support to keep that deputy on the road." The parties agree that a deputy service hour constitutes all time spent by sheriff's personnel responding to a call within the boundaries of the jurisdiction as well as any time spent includes all court time spent on Township cases. The parties further agree that a deputy hour spent in any jurisdiction by a deputy under this Contract who is responding to a condition red alert as defined by the Department of Homeland Security shall also be counted towards the annual contracted hours for the Township.

B. Specific deployment issues are attached as Exhibit A. The County, Sheriff and Township agree that the terms of Exhibit A, pertaining to deployment issues, may only be amended by mutual written consent of the Sheriff and Township.

## ARTICLE II – COMPENSATION AND OVERTIME

The price to the Township for the contractual police services is based upon the methodology adopted by the County's Board of Commissioners on December 1, 2010 and July 6, 2011.

The price for a PSU is fixed as follows: (1) \$150,594.00 per PSU for 2012; (2) \$152,100.00 per PSU for 2013; (3) \$153,621.00 per PSU for 2014; and (4) \$155,157.00 per PSU for 2015. Beginning in 2014, the County reserves the right to adjust these prices as a result of significant unforeseen cost increases in line items contained in the Direct Cost categories (Salary, Fringe, Uniform Allowance, Gun Allowance, Fleet). The County and Sheriff shall give each Contracting Partner six (6) months written notice of any such increase.

In addition to the compensation stated above, the Township shall also be responsible to pay for all overtime incurred by its contracted PSU's while working on Township related matters, including, but not limited to, testifying on court cases involving Township cases.

## ARTICLE III – FAILURE TO PAY

The County shall bill the Township monthly for all standard monthly and overtime costs incurred during that month. The Township must pay this bill within thirty (30) days after the date of the invoice. Failure by the Township to pay the total monthly charges shall be a material breach of this Contract and entitle the County to immediately seek remedies including, but not limited to, the following:

- Limitation of future police services to the Township to offset the amount owed;
- Complete stoppage of all contract services to the Township until the amount owed is completely paid;
- Pursuit of a court order compelling the Township to pay the amount owed.

The parties understand and agree that the above remedies are not exclusive and do not constitute progressive enforcement steps. Thus, the County may choose any of these remedies, or any other remedy to which it is legally entitled, at any time after the Township has breached its duty to pay its monthly costs. Moreover, the parties understand and agree that these remedies are in addition to those stated in Article XIV.

## ARTICLE IV – DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The parties agree that the Township may dispute any County invoice by taking the following actions within 30 days of receiving the invoice: (1) the Township must pay the disputed amount to the County; and (2) the Township must send written notice to the County Administrator that it disputes the invoice. The Township is encouraged to attach any written documentation supporting its claim to its request to County Administration for dispute resolution.

Within 30 days of receiving the Township's notice disputing the invoice, County Administration will investigate the claim. If the investigation supports the Township's claim, the disputed money will be refunded back to the Township, along with interest at an annual rate of 2 per cent pro rated to equal the length of the arbitration process. If, however, as a result of the investigation, County Administration disagrees with the Township's claim, the County and the Township shall jointly pick a mutually acceptable arbitrator to hear the positions of the Township and County. The County and the Township shall also have the right to jointly compile a list of acceptable arbitrators which, if compiled, shall be an attachment to this Contract. The arbitrator's decision on the claim shall be binding. If the arbitrator ultimately decides in favor of the Township, the County agrees to refund the money paid by the Township, along with an annual 2 per cent interest payment pro rated to equal the length of the arbitration. The cost to retain the arbitrator shall be paid by the losing party.

#### ARTICLE V - TERM

The term of this contract shall be for forty-eight months with an effective date of January 1, 2012 and ending on December 31, 2015.

#### ARTICLE VI - INSURANCE

The County agrees to maintain at its own expense during the term of this contract the following insurance:

1. Workers' compensation insurance with Michigan statutory limits and Employers Liability Insurance with a minimum of one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars each accident for any employee.
2. Public entity liability coverage, which includes general liability, law enforcement liability, auto liability and public official's liability coverage. The County's insurer will add Lodi Township as an additional insured under this public entity liability coverage. The County will be responsible for all expenses and loss payments within its SIR/Deductible.

The County shall submit a certificate of insurance that evidences such coverage to the Township Clerk prior to beginning services under this Contract.

#### ARTICLE VII – RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS

The parties agree that the County is responsible for the acts and/or omissions of its PSU's and related police service personnel in providing services under this Contract.

#### ARTICLE VIII-CONFERENCES

The County and Township agree that either party may request a conference to discuss issues relating to interpretation of this Contract. Such notice shall be in writing and specify the issues to be discussed at the conference. In addition, as stated more

fully in Exhibit A, the Sheriff and the Township may convene to discuss specific deployment issues.

#### ARTICLE - IX - COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Contractor will comply with all federal, state and local regulations, including but not limited to, all applicable OSHA/MIOSHA requirements and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

#### ARTICLE X - EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

All parties to this Contract agree that they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, physical handicap, age, height, weight, marital status, veteran status, religion and political belief (except as it relates to a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the business).

All parties to this Contract agree that they will take affirmative action to eliminate discrimination based on sex, race, or a handicap in the hiring of applicants and the treatment of employees. Affirmative action will include, but not be limited to: employment; upgrading; demotion or transfer; recruitment advertisement; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; selection for training, including apprenticeship.

All parties to this Contract agree to post notices containing this policy against discrimination in conspicuous places available to applicants for employment and employees. All solicitations or advertisements for employees, placed by or on the behalf of the County, will state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, physical handicap, age, height, weight, marital status, veteran status, religion and political belief.

#### ARTICLE XI - EQUAL ACCESS

The Sheriff shall provide the services set forth in Article I without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, physical handicap, or age.

#### ARTICLE XII - ASSIGNS AND SUCCESSORS

This contract is binding on the County, Sheriff and the Township, their successors and assigns. None of the parties to this Contract will assign or transfer its interest in this contract without the written consent of the other parties.

#### ARTICLE XIII - TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

If a party breaches any provision of this Contract, the non-breaching party may serve upon the breaching party written notice of its intent to terminate this Contract. If the breaching party fails to cure such breach within thirty (30) days after having received written notice of the breach, the non-breaching party may terminate this Contract,

provided, however, that if the cure for the breach takes more than thirty (30) days to cure, the breaching party shall be given a reasonable amount of time beyond the thirty (30) day period to prosecute the cure to the breach to completion.

Notwithstanding the paragraph above, the Township, upon giving the County and the Sheriff at least six (6) months written notice, may terminate the contract effective December 31st of the year such notice is given. In addition, the township may reduce the contracted PSU level in the event of significant unforeseen budgetary changes upon six (6) months written notice.

ARTICLE XIV – CHANGES IN SCOPE OR SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Changes mutually agreed upon by the County, Sheriff and Township will be incorporated into this Contract by written amendment signed by all parties.

ARTICLE XV - CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM

This contract is to be interpreted by the laws of Michigan. The parties agree that the proper forum for litigation arising out of this contract is in Washtenaw County, Michigan.

ARTICLE XVI - EXTENT OF CONTRACT

This contract represents the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior representations, negotiations or agreements whether written or oral.

LODI TOWNSHIP

WASHTENAW COUNTY

By: Jarann Godek 1/5/12  
Jarann Godek (DATE)  
Township Supervisor

By: Verna J. McDaniel 1/24/2012  
Verna J. McDaniel (DATE) 1:15 AM  
VERNA J. MCDANIEL  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
SIGNED BY K. BELKNAP ON BEHALF OF VERNA MCDANIEL

WASHTENAW COUNTY SHERIFF

By: Jerry Clayton 1/11/12  
Jerry Clayton, Sheriff (DATE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTESTED TO:

BY: Curtis N. Hedger  
Curtis N. Hedger (DATE)  
Office of Corporation Counsel

BY: Lawrence Kestenbaum 1/24/2012  
Lawrence Kestenbaum (DATE) 2:14:19 PM  
County Clerk/Register  
8:26:23 AM

CURTIS N. HEDGER  
CORPORATION COUNSEL

## EXHIBIT A

The Washtenaw County Sheriff ("Sheriff") and Lodi Township ("Township") agree on the following specific deployment issues.

**Assignment of Supervision.** The Sheriff will provide supervision over PSU's assigned to the Township. It is the Sheriff's intent that any sergeants assigned to the Township be physically present in the Township; however, the Sheriff retains the discretion to determine the assignment of sergeants or any other supervisory personnel.

**Overtime Protocol** The parties agree that the Township shall have the right to discuss overtime and staffing issues with the Sheriff and to provide input on when overtime shall be incurred under this Contract, provided, however, that the Sheriff shall ultimately determine when overtime is justified under this Contract.

**Animal Control.** The parties agree that this Contract does not address animal control services.

**Selection of Sheriff's Personnel to Fulfill Contract.** The parties agree that the Township shall be permitted to provide input in the selection of Sheriff's Office personnel who will be assigned in the Township, who shall fulfill the terms of this contract. To that extent, the Township shall meet with administration staff from the Sheriff's Office to work out a process whereby appropriate Township personnel may be involved in the selection process of those individuals proposed by the Sheriff to work in that Township. The amount of assigned deputies will be determined by the labor agreement between the County, Union and Sheriff. The Sheriff agrees to take any input from the Township personnel in making his final decision on personnel who will work within that Township. The Township may also request assignment of personnel to specific shifts, provided, however, the Sheriff retains the power to make final decisions regarding shift assignments.

**Removal of Sheriff's Personnel Assigned to the Township.** The parties agree that if, in the Township's opinion, any individual assigned by the Sheriff to the Township is not acceptable to that Township, the Township and the Sheriff shall meet to discuss the situation and to work on addressing the problems between the Township and the individual in question. The reassignment of any Sheriff's Department personnel within a Township, however, shall remain the exclusive power of the Sheriff. The Sheriff agrees to notify the Township if any particular deputy is reassigned from the Township for any reason.

**Ordinance Enforcement.** The parties understand that general ordinance enforcement is not part of the services provided by the Sheriff to the Township pursuant to this contract. The Sheriff will, however, enforce local traffic ordinances. In addition, the Sheriff will assist the Township's local ordinance enforcement officer when such assistance is necessary.

**Substations.** The Sheriff agrees to consult with the Township to determine where any substation may be located to assist Sheriff's Department personnel in fulfilling its responsibilities under this contract. The parties agree that the Township shall provide and maintain any such substation. The parties agree that the County shall equip and maintain the necessary furniture and equipment for the PSUs' use in the substations. The County agrees to provide a "call box" emergency phone on the exterior of the substation for use of the public to call for assistance.

**Notification.** The Sheriff agrees to use good faith efforts to notify in a timely fashion the Township Supervisor or his/her designee of any major newsworthy events that occur within the Township. To that end, a command officer will inform the Township as soon as practicable of the following matters: (a) homicides; (b) traffic fatalities occurring with the Township; (c) major criminal events; (d) major citizen complaints regarding performance of PSU's within the

Township; (e) discharge of a firearm by Sheriff's personnel within the Township excluding incidents with animals, or of a Township PSU acting outside the Township; (f) requests for news media interviews regarding operations with the Township; (g) motor vehicle accidents involving Township PSU's while on duty in which there is personal injury; and (h) any significant change in the Sheriff's operations within the Township.

**Attendance at Township Board Meetings.** The Sheriff agrees that a command officer shall attend Township board meetings regularly to report to the Township Board on any relevant contract issues and/or to answer questions from the Board.

**Periodic Meetings.** The Sheriff agrees to send command staff responsible to meet with Township officials on an agreed upon periodic schedule to discuss issues relevant to this contract. The Sheriff agrees that such issues shall include, but not be limited to, advice by the Township as to use of the services contracted for under the Agreement. These meetings may include Sheriff's administration staff including the Undersheriff and/or the Sheriff if necessary.

**Out of Village/Township Service.** The parties agree that assigned PSU's will not respond to non-life threatening calls outside the contracting patrol area. Such calls shall be referred to the Michigan State Police. Further, PSU's under this Contract shall only be given assignments as support or back-up, not as primary complaint responders to areas outside the contracting patrol area.



**Christina Smith**

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**From:** Sperle <sperle@salinefire.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 28, 2026 10:55 AM  
**To:** Christina Smith  
**Subject:** RE: Fireworks Application

I have no issues with this.  
Thanks,

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**From:** Christina Smith <Christina@loditownshipmi.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 28, 2026 10:09 AM  
**To:** Sperle <sperle@salinefire.com>  
**Subject:** Fireworks Application

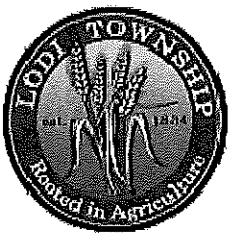
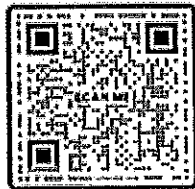
Please review.

*Christina Smith*  
*Clerk, Lodi Township*  
*[christina@LodiTownshipMI.org](mailto:christina@LodiTownshipMI.org)*  
*[www.loditownshipmi.org](http://www.loditownshipmi.org)*  
*734-665-7583*

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Lodi Township Office,

Enclosed is my permit request for this year's fireworks on the Fourth of July. I am trying to get the paperwork done earlier this year. :)

I also wanted to let you know that myself and others in the township have been thinking of you since Jan died. It is hard to lose a co-worker you've worked with for a long time. Work buddies are like family. We appreciate you and know that you are going through a hard time.

Michele and Eric Macke

RECEIVED

APR 28 2014

Lodi Township



# 2026 Application for Fireworks Other Than Consumer or Low Impact

FOR USE BY LEGISLATIVE BODY OF CITY, VILLAGE OR TOWNSHIP BOARD ONLY  
DATE PERMIT(S) EXPIRE:

Authority: 2011 PA 256  
The LEGISLATIVE BODY OF CITY, VILLAGE OR TOWNSHIP BOARD will not discriminate against or group because of race, sex, religion, age, national origin, color, marital status, disability, or political need assistance with reading, writing, hearing, etc., under the Americans with Disabilities Act, you needs known to this Legislative Body of City, Village or Township Board.

RECEIVED  
APR 28 2026  
Lodi Township

TYPE OF PERMIT(S) (Select all applicable boxes)

Agricultural or Wildlife Fireworks  Articles Pyrotechnic

Display Fireworks

Public Display  Private Display

Special Effects Manufactured for Outdoor Pest Control or Agricultural Purposes

NAME OF APPLICANT <b>Michelle Macke</b>		ADDRESS OF APPLICANT <b>4707 Scio Church, A<sup>2</sup> 48103</b>	AGE OF APPLICANT 18 YEARS OR OLDER <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
NAME OF PERSON OR RESIDENT AGENT REPRESENTING CORPORATION, LLC, DBA OR OTHER		ADDRESS PERSON OR RESIDENT AGENT REPRESENTING CORPORATION, LLC, DBA OR OTHER	
IF A NON-RESIDENT APPLICANT (LIST NAME OF MICHIGAN ATTORNEY OR MICHIGAN RESIDENT AGENT)		ADDRESS (MICHIGAN ATTORNEY OR MICHIGAN RESIDENT AGENT)	TELEPHONE NUMBER <b>734 358 0411</b>
NAME OF PYROTECHNIC OPERATOR <b>Mike Tokai</b>		ADDRESS OF PYROTECHNIC OPERATOR <b>4199 Flint Rd, Brighton 48116</b>	AGE OF PYROTECHNIC OPERATOR 18 YEARS OR OLDER <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
NO. YEARS EXPERIENCE <b>29</b>	NO. DISPLAYS <b>37+</b>	WHERE <b>Bay City, Lodi Township</b>	
NAME OF ASSISTANT <b>Michelle Macke</b>		ADDRESS OF ASSISTANT <b>4707 Scio Church, A<sup>2</sup> MI</b>	AGE OF ASSISTANT 18 YEARS OR OLDER <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
NAME OF OTHER ASSISTANT <b>Eric Macke</b>		ADDRESS OF OTHER ASSISTANT <b>4707 Scio Church, A<sup>2</sup> MI 48103</b>	AGE OF OTHER ASSISTANT 18 YEARS OR OLDER <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO

EXACT LOCATION OF PROPOSED DISPLAY  
**See diagram**

DATE OF PROPOSED DISPLAY  
**July 4 2025**

TIME OF PROPOSED DISPLAY  
**10-10:40 pm**

MANNER AND PLACE OF STORAGE, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF LOCAL FIRE AUTHORITIES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NFPA 1123, 1124 & 1126 AND OTHER STATE OR FEDERAL REGULATIONS. PROVIDE PROOF OF PROPER LICENSING OR PERMITTING BY STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
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AMOUNT OF BOND OR INSURANCE (TO BE SET BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT) <b>1,000,000</b>	NAME OF BONDING CORPORATION OR INSURANCE COMPANY <b>State Farm</b>
ADDRESS OF BONDING CORPORATION OR INSURANCE COMPANY <b>Po Box 2356 Bloomington, IL 61702</b>	

NUMBER OF FIREWORKS	KIND OF FIREWORKS TO BE DISPLAYED (Please provide additional pages as needed)
<b>100</b>	<b>2" shells (color and salutes)</b>
<b>48</b>	<b>canister salutes</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>3" shells (color and salutes)</b>
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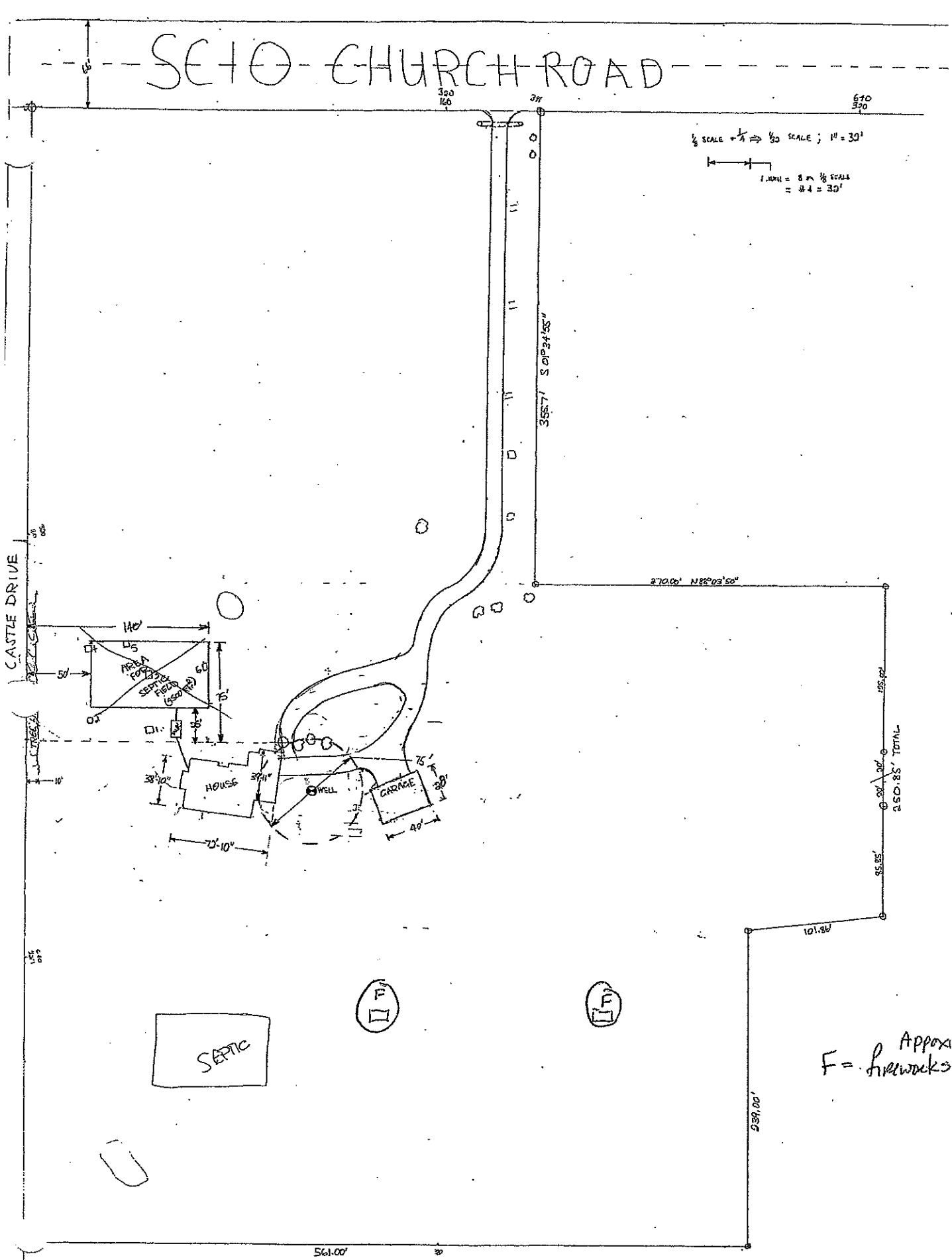


SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <i>C. M. Maske</i>	DATE <i>Apr. 24, 2026</i>



# SEIO CHURCH ROAD

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F = Approximate fireworks location





**State Farm Fire and Casualty Company**

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SFPP No:1291263504

**Forms and Endorsements**

Personal Liability Umbrella	FP-7950.2
Fuel Oil Exclusion	FE-5837
Notice in Event of Liab Claim	FE-5499
Amendatory Endorsement	* FE-2485

\*Effective: JUN 01 2025

**RENEWAL CERTIFICATE**

<b>POLICY NUMBER</b>	22-EA-C138-2
Personal Liability Umbrella Policy JUN 01 2025 to JUN 01 2026	
BILLED THROUGH SFPP	

**COVERAGES AND LIMITS**

L Personal Liability	\$1,000,000
Self-Insured Retention	500

**UNDERLYING EXPOSURES**

Our records show the following underlying information. This information was used in determining the rate of the policy.

**AUTOMOBILE EXPOSURES**

Automobile(s)	3
Automobile Operator(s)	2

**OTHER LIABILITY EXPOSURES**

Personal Residential

<b>Annual Premium</b>	<b>\$260.00</b>
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\*Notify your agent immediately if the above listed Coverages and/or Underlying Exposures are incorrect.  
 Your Coverages and/or bill can be affected if this information is not correct.  
 The Class 50 Discount has reduced the premium on your policy by \$28.00  
 Required Underlying Insurance on reverse side

NOTICE:Information concerning changes in your policy language is included. Call your agent with questions

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**Agent M FAHOOME INSURANCE AGENCY INC**  
Telephone (734) 761-2666

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**Required Underlying Insurance**  
 (Terms in Bold in this section are defined in the policy)  
 Minimum Underlying Limits

<u>Type of Policy</u>	<u>Combined Limits</u> <u>(Bodily Injury and Property Damage)</u>	or	<u>Split Limits</u>
<b>Automobile Liability</b>	<b>\$ 500,000</b>	Bodily Injury-	<b>\$ 250,000</b> Per Person <b>\$ 500,000</b> Per Accident
		Property Damage-	<b>\$ 100,000</b> Per Accident
<b>Recreational Motor Vehicle Liability</b> Including Passenger Bodily Injury	<b>\$ 500,000</b>	Bodily Injury-	<b>\$ 250,000</b> Per Person <b>\$ 500,000</b> Per Accident
		Property Damage-	<b>\$ 100,000</b> Per Accident
<b>Personal Residential Liability</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>		
<b>Watercraft Liability</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>		

**NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDER:**

Policy changes requested before the "Date Prepared", which appear on this notice, are effective on the Effective Date of this policy unless otherwise indicated by a separate endorsement, binder, or amended declarations. Any coverage forms attached to this notice are also effective on the Effective Date of this policy.

Policy changes requested after the "Date Prepared" will be sent to you as an amended declarations or as an endorsement to your policy. Billing for any additional premium for such changes will be mailed at a later date.

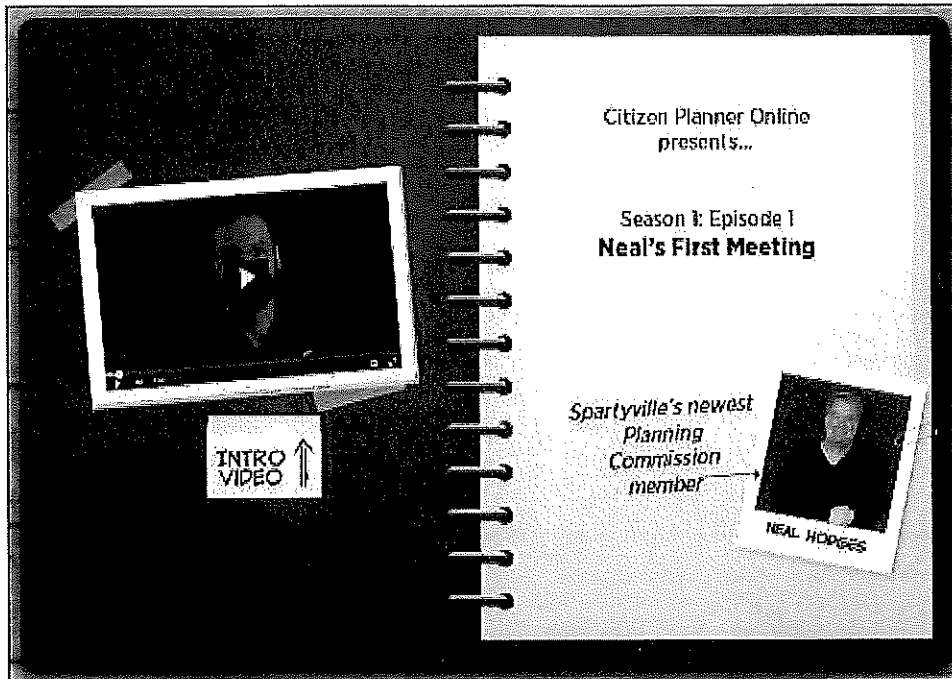
Please keep this with your policy.







## Citizen Planner Online



Citizen Planner Online is a completely online, self-paced version of the program designed for individuals who can't fit a six-week course into their schedule or who prefer this style of learning. It takes approximately 15 hours or so to complete, and can be accessed 24/7 so that individuals can do as much or as little at one time as fits their schedule. Citizen Planner Online is highly interactive with stories, videos, and activities to keep the learner engaged. To participate, you will need a robust internet connection and a computer, tablet, or mobile device (iOS or Android). Larger screens will provide a better experience. This program leads to an MSU Extension certificate of completion and the opportunity to become a Master Citizen Planner.



# Zoning Board of Appeals Online Certificate Course

## Overview

The ZBA Online Certificate Course is a self-paced online training designed for members of the local government Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), local government staff who work alongside the ZBA, and local government managers and attorneys.



The role of the ZBA is critically important. Decisions made by the ZBA allow people to do things with their property that otherwise may not be permitted by the zoning ordinance, or to uphold or overturn

a decision by the zoning administrator or planning commission. This is a huge power that, when used correctly, protects the rights of private property owners while preserving the intent of the ordinance and protecting the public good.

If done well, effective decisions made by the ZBA will:

- Uphold private property rights,
- Protect due process for appellants and neighboring property owners alike,
- Help landowners understand the purpose of land use regulation in protecting public health, safety, welfare,
- Help implement the community master plan by protecting the integrity of the zoning ordinance,
- Strengthen the role of the zoning ordinance in community and economic development,
- Build civic support for good governance in the community, and
- Protect against lawsuits, among other outcomes.

On the other hand, individual ZBA members, untrained or poorly trained, could cause harm for not implementing their role and responsibilities consistent with state law. At a minimum, they can hamper the ZBA from properly doing its job. At worst, they can make the community vulnerable to lawsuits (and be individually liable) by taking improper actions and leading the board towards bad decisions.

The ZBA Online Certificate Course teaches the latest concepts on ZBA roles and responsibilities, effective decision-making, and protecting due process. The curriculum is based on the award-winning Citizen Planner Program and features ZBA-specific content, engaging activities, case studies, and the latest Michigan case law. Course completion includes an MSU Extension certificate.

## **Format**

The course is based in MSU's Desire to Learn (D2L) online learning platform and can be accessed 24/7. Individuals can do as much or as little at one time as fits their schedule. To participate, you will need a mobile or broadband internet connection and a computer, tablet, or mobile device (iOS or Android).

The course consists of six separate modules:

1. Understanding Basic ZBA Roles & Responsibilities
2. Effective Decisions and Ordinance Interpretations
3. Hearing Appeals of Administrative Decisions
4. Issuing Variances from Ordinance Standards
5. Other Responsibilities Assigned to the ZBA: Nonconformities
6. Circuit Court Review and Standards

Within each module, there are individual video lectures, engaging activities, and supplemental readings, and participants can complete one component at a time or all components for that module in one sitting. Upon completion of the entire course, participants will automatically earn a certificate of completion.

## **Continuing education**

The ZBA Online Certificate Course is approved for six (6) Master Citizen Planner education hours.

## **Price**

The course price is \$125. A group discount is available for three or more members registering from the same board. Financial assistance is available upon request. Some municipal liability insurance providers reimburse member communities for the cost of planning and zoning training. The Michigan Township Participating Plan (Par Plan) - Risk Reduction Program is one such reimbursement program available to Plan members only. Contact your municipal liability insurance provider to ask about reimbursement.

## **Registration**

Select one of the options below for more information on how to register for ZBA Online:



04/28/2026

Lodi Township Supervisor Schaible  
Lodi Township Board of Trustees:

**Re: Arbor Preserve North – Request to Begin Non-Wastewater Construction Activities**

I am writing on behalf of Toll Northeast V Corp (Toll) to respectfully request authorization to commence site development activities for Arbor Preserve North while we await issuance of the Part 41 permits from EGLE. All other permits have been obtained, the pre-construction meeting held, escrows and deposits paid and the payment to the tree fund has been made by Toll. The application for the Part 41 permits was submitted to EGLE on October 28, 2025. The Part 41 permits are currently under review with EGLE and are limited to the installation of the on-site wastewater collection system and wastewater treatment plant for Arbor Preserve North and South and not related to any of the other site work Toll seeks to commence.

To date, Toll has secured the following permits/approval:

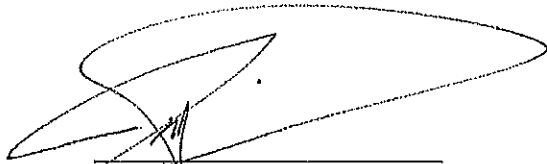
- EGLE Part 301 / 303 Inland Lakes and Streams Wetland Permit (**WRP047782 v.1**)
- EGLE NPDES (Surface Discharge) **MI0060383 and MI0060385**
- Washtenaw County Water Resources (Stormwater) **Technical Approval**
- Washtenaw County Water Resources (Soil Erosion) **SESC2025-0271 and 0272**
- Washtenaw County Road Commission (Right of Way Permit) **Technical Approval**
- Washtenaw County Health Division (Wells) **Approved**
- Saline Area Fire Department - **Approved**

Allowing the commencement of development prior to the issuance of the Part 41 permit will ensure that the site development work is completed within the 2026 development season (prior to winter 2026/2027). Delaying development start for receipt of the Part 41 permit significantly increases the risk of soil erosion from the project due to an exposed construction site remaining unestablished throughout winter and being subjected to repeated freeze-thaw cycles, snowfall, and rapid snowmelt. Active, controlled construction allows for progressive implementation of best management practices (BMPs), whereas an idle site heightens environmental and safety vulnerabilities. Disturbed soils left exposed over winter are more susceptible to erosion and sediment runoff.



Paragraph 6 of the Second Amendment to Consent Judgment allows the Township to permit the commencement of site work requested herein. The Consent Judgment provides the Township Board with the ability to use reasonable discretion when considering development to proceed on Arbor Preserve North. To that end, Toll has provided the \$182,000.00 requested inspection escrow requested by the Township to have OHM Advisors provide on-site inspection of the project, along with a bond in the amount of \$2,385,000.00 dollars to guarantee the site work is completed and restoration of the site takes place. The Tree Mitigation payment of \$750,000.00 has also been provided to the Township. Lastly, a preconstruction meeting was held on April 23, 2026, with the Township, their representatives, and Toll and their contractors. We hope that the Board will allow site development to proceed per the approved site plan and we look forward to continuing working together...

Respectfully Submitted,



Jason Iacoangeli, AICP



## Christina Smith

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**From:** JESSE O'JACK <jojlaw@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2026 12:27 PM  
**To:** Leslie Blackburn; Jacob Schaible; Christina Smith  
**Subject:** Re: MDCR process questions

Leslie;

When an action is filed against the township, the township submits the case to its insurance carrier and the carrier determines whether the township is covered. If covered, and in this instance it was, the carrier appoints an attorney to represent the township. In court cases, sometimes the township also has me designated as representing the township as additional counsel. I am not so listed in this case and I do not think that it was necessary. In this instance, the appointed attorney was Mr. Landry. Mr. Landry submitted the answer, etc., not me. The Board was provided a copy of the answer. At this point there is no action the Township or its appointed attorney needs to or can additionally take. The Township is currently waiting for an official response from the Department of Civil Rights.

Sincerely,  
Jesse

Christina;

As all my responses on Township matters should go to the entire Board, please distribute this response.  
Thanks,  
Jesse

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**From:** Leslie Blackburn <leslie@loditownshipmi.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2026 11:51 AM  
**To:** jojlaw@msn.com <jojlaw@msn.com>; Jacob Schaible <supervisor@loditownshipmi.org>  
**Subject:** MDCR process questions

Hi Jesse, I am writing regarding the State of Michigan Dept of Civil Rights deck that was handed out to the board at the 4/7 meeting. You mentioned, and I see in it, that a lawyer who I have not heard the name of nor met before, has already responded for Lodi Township.

I am curious: what is the process for this? What step is next? How do we make sure we as a board have more information about this? Can we share a call?

Also, I've reviewed the deck. I see the claimant specifically asked for our anti-discrimination policy. I am confused why an employee handbook was submitted, when I do not believe this person is an employee. And I think this is a good opportunity to share the new Ethics Policy that was adopted July 1, 2025. This is the document that addresses our anti-discrimination policy. I didn't see it in your response. Can you please send it to the claimant?

Jacob, including you also. I am not sure if you've had a chance to see this yet since it was handed out just before you were appointed.

Thanks for your attention on this,

Leslie

**Leslie Blackburn**

**Lodi Township Trustee**

**pronouns:** they/them

(why this is important: pronouns)

**email:** [leslie@loditownshipmi.org](mailto:leslie@loditownshipmi.org)

[loditownshipmi.org](http://loditownshipmi.org)



## Christina Smith

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**From:** JESSE O'JACK <jojlaw@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 8:13 PM  
**To:** Christina Smith  
**Subject:** Re: April 7 Meeting

Christina;

For distribution to the Board of Trustees.

I take allegations of violations of the Open Meetings Act very seriously. If anything, I believe some Board Members think I am too conservative in my advice to follow not only the letter of the law, but the spirit behind it.

The majority of the Board was present and each member can determine for themselves the facts of what occurred at the April Board meeting, including who was rude or not rude or if anyone was rude. However, as Township Attorney, it is my duty to advise the Board as to what I believe the law is. Therefore, so that there is no confusion, I want to make sure the Board is provided with my opinion of what the law is.

Regarding the first point set forth in the email, I disagree with the facts stated, but each Board member can make their own determination. However, as to the law, I agree that I as the Township Attorney has no legal authority to demand that someone leave the meeting for creating a disturbance. However, it is my duty to advise the Board and I would hope the Board considers my comments such. I would remind the Board that approximately a year ago the Board adopted a Rules of Order Policy and section 6 says "Disruption of Meetings. The Supervisor or any Board Member may call to order any person who is being disorderly by speaking or otherwise disturbing the proceedings." (emphasis added)

Regarding the second point, no proof was provided nor even an allegation made that anyone else had spoken to the Clerk or indicated their desire to the Clerk that they were interested in the Supervisor position. I would strongly suggest that at least any Board Member who wants to make an allegation that another member of the Board lied do not do so without proof—and, if you think you have proof, follow the proper procedures.

Regarding the Open Meetings Act. Mr. Roberts states that it is an OMA violation without identifying any provision in the OMA that it violates. I know of no provision in the OMA that it violates. The OMA requires the Board to provide one period for public comment. Additionally, when a Public Hearing is held, the public has a right to speak during that hearing. Outside of Public Comment periods and Public Hearings, the public has no right to speak. Normally, in the practice of Lodi Township, any additional comment is only allowable with the permission of the Moderator. In the past many persons have tried to speak outside of the permitted times-- the Moderator has sometimes allowed or even asked for that comment, and sometimes the Moderator has told the person that they cannot speak. I know of no OMA rule that prohibits that procedure. If the Board wants to amend its Rules of Order to allow public comment on every agenda item, it may do so, but it has not done so up to this point.

Regarding amending the agenda. Again, this Board approximately a year ago adopted a Rules of Order. Section 4.2 Regular Meetings — Order of Business put in writing the order that Lodi Township has followed for as long as I can remember-- I looked at a 2014 Agenda and Public Comment came before

Revision/Approval of Agenda. I was present at the Board meetings where the Rules of Order were discussed. I do not remember any discussion or even public comment objecting to the order that Lodi Township follows. If the Board wants to change the order, it can do so. However, allegations of being disrespectful and underhanded for following the required procedure are at best misplaced. As to the Board itself, clearly there was no intent to surprise any Board member. I sent to the Clerk the MTA outline on replacing a person who needs to be replaced and the Clerk forwarded it to the Board immediately (on the previous Friday). Then on Monday the Clerk notified all Board members that the item would need to be added to the agenda. What more could have been done?

Regarding the final point, I would suggest that if the Board wants to know how the Road Commission feels, it should set up a hearing where the Road Commission can provide testimony itself rather than take the guesses of someone else as to how they feel. If the Board does not want to hold such a hearing, I do not believe any other action is proper.

Sincerely,  
Jesse O'Jack

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**From:** Christina Smith <Christina@loditownshipmi.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 2:32 PM  
**To:** jojlaw@msn.com <jojlaw@msn.com>  
**Subject:** Fw: April 7 Meeting

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**From:** Eric Roberts <e3robertsmi@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 2:23 PM  
**Subject:** April 7 Meeting

Hello Lodi Township Board of Trustees,

First, only the chair of a public meeting can ask someone in the public to leave a public meeting, not the attorney, not the Clerk, even if she grabs the gavel from her colleague. I left when the chairperson asked me to leave, which was the first time she tried to control the meeting whatsoever. You don't have to keep letting the Clerk be extremely rude to her colleagues.

Second, the Clerk lied with the statement that "there are two people interested in the Supervisor role." She *meant* to say she talked to two people. You don't have to put up with the Clerk's antics and lies.

Third, it is an Open Meetings Act violation to allow a back and forth for some people, as you did with the audience a ton during the front end of that meeting, but then cut off a back and forth because you don't like the content of what I had to say. Learn the OMA and then apply your rules consistently to everyone in the room.

Fourth, I find it disrespectful and underhanded to (1) amend the agenda after the public has had its opportunity to speak on agenda items and (2) make this new portion come before the public is able to

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speak to it at all. I got out of my chair because you did exactly this, knowingly adding an appointment to the agenda after the public could speak and before the public could comment on it at all.

Fifth, you all need to do a better job of working together. That was so awful to watch. The road commission staff was visibly uncomfortable with Clerk Smith continuing to try and get him to undermine Trustee Blackburn, to take a side against one of her colleagues. You all need to do better and stop being so damn rude and condescending in public.

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Thank you,

**Eric John Roberts, MMC**

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Master Municipal Clerk

J.D. Candidate, The University of Toledo

