

LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 6:30 pm

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

1. Call to order - Pledge of Allegiance

The regular meeting of September 1, 2026 opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Blackburn, Foley, Marsh, Naebeck, Rentschler, Schaible, Smith
Absent: None

3. Consent Agenda

- C-1: Approve – August 11, 2026 regular meeting minutes & August 25, 2026 minutes
- C-2: Accept - Investment Report (treasurer report)
- C-3: Approve - Checks for Approval – 8/12/2026-9/1/2026
- C-4: Recognize - Monthly Budget Report
- C-5: Amend Budget – None
- C-6: Recognize Planning Commission Minutes – 8/25/2026
- C-7: Recognize Planning Commission Data Center Sub Committee Minutes – 8/20/2026
- C-8: Recognize Board of Appeals Minutes – 8/18/2026
- C-9: Recognize Sheriff Report

The August 25, 2026 Board of Trustees minutes were missed in the assembling of the packet and needs to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Smith moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Second by Foley. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried, 7-0.

4. Attorney Report: None

5. Planning Commission Update: Rentschler reviewed the most recent Planning Commission meeting held on August 25, 2026.

6. Engineer Report – Arbor Preserve North #5: Township Engineer MC Moritz reviewed the report of the update of projects and applications that pass through the Township engineering review process. Questions were asked about the report and what all is covered by the report and what is not covered by the report.

7. Revision / Approval of Agenda

Foley moved to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Smith. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried, 7-0.

8. Short Public Comment

Public comment began at 6:40 pm. Comments were received from 3 members of the public. Public comment ended at 6:45 pm.

9. Unfinished Business:

1. Appointments to Lodi Township Boards Policy

Blackburn moved to approve the Appointments to Lodi Township Boards policy as presented. Second by Marsh.

A lengthy discussion was held. Rentschler called the question to vote.

Blackburn moved to amend the motion to approve the Appointments to Lodi Township Boards policy as presented with the following changes:

- Deleting “when publicly shared, but not when sent to the appointing panel” from the Information Sharing section making that section read “The Clerk will first redact home address, email address, phone number or similar private information.”
- Remove the Expirations & Staggered Terms paragraph
- Change For appointments to Planning Commission to “The Supervisor shall appoint or re-appoint members to the Planning Commission (per section 125.3815 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act 33 of 2008), subject to approval by majority vote of BOT. The Supervisor may provide the entire BOT with supporting information (applications, resumes etc) in advance.”

Second by Marsh. A roll call vote was taken. Naebeck=nay, Rentschler=nay, Foley=aye, Smith=nay, Schaible=aye, Marsh=aye, Blackburn=aye. Motion carried, 4-3.

10. New Business:

1. BS&A Cloud upgrade

Foley explained the need for the upgrade and the discount applied to the quote.

Smith moved to approve the BS&A Cloud upgrade contract in the amount of \$13,545.00 along with the annual fee of \$9,945.00. Second by Foley. A roll call vote was taken. Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Schaible=aye, Smith=aye, Foley=aye, Rentschler=aye, Naebeck=aye. Motion carried, 7-0.

2. Resolution #2026-011 – Saline Fair 90th Anniversary recognition

Smith moved to approve Resolution #2026-011. Second by Naebeck. A roll call vote was taken. Foley=aye, Smith=aye, Schaible=aye, Marsh=aye, Blackburn=aye, Naebeck=aye, Rentschler=aye. Motion carried, 7-0.

3. Direct the Planning Commission to update definitions in the Zoning Ordinance per the Planner

Township Planner Hannah Firlit explained the reasoning for the memo.

Blackburn moved to create an Ordinance Committee to review suggested changes to the Zoning Ordinance and the applicant process/checklists to better serve the range of our resident applicants. The committee would be charged with making a proposal to the Planning Commission for review and input recommendations followed by Board of Trustees for review and approval. Second by Marsh. A roll call vote was taken. Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Schaible=nay, Smith=nay, Foley=nay, Rentschler=nay, Naebeck=nay. Motion failed, 2-5.

Smith moved to send the three items mentioned in the Zoning Ordinance Amendment Considerations – UPDATED Memo dated August 28, 2026 from Hannah Firlit to the Planning Commission for further review, clarifications, updates and suggestions to implement. Second by Naebeck. A roll call vote was taken. Foley=aye, Rentschler=aye, Naebeck=aye, Blackburn=aye, Marsh=aye, Schaible=aye, Smith=aye. Motion carried, 7-0.

4. Accept Froberg's Resignation from the Planning Commission

Schaible moved to accept Froberg's resignation from the Planning Commission effective September 23, 2026. Second by Smith. A roll call vote was taken. Marsh=aye, Blackburn=aye, Naebeck=aye, Rentschler=aye, Foley=aye, Smith=aye, Schaible=aye. Motion carried, 7-0.

11. Closed Session: None

12. Public Comment

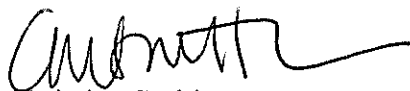
Public comment began at 7:57 pm. Public comment was received from 1 person. Public comment ended at 7:59 pm.

13. FYI: A moment of silence was held for Bill Lindemann.

14. Adjournment

Smith moved to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Second by Schaible. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Christina Smith,
Lodi Township Clerk



Michelle Joppeck,
Recording Secretary