

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on August 17, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Ashford.

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Clerk LaVergne, Treasurer Somers, Trustee Procnier and Trustee Brege. Guests: Adam Brege; Zoning Administrator. See attached guest list.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Procnier to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Muriel Goddard said she has done some research at the abstract office and has the deed of the old part of the cemetery. She said the original date is 12/23/1895. She has reached out to the historical society and they will make up a plaque for the cemetery. Amy Mills addressed the board with a letter she read. The letter is included as part of the minutes. Jamie Smith addressed the board with a letter and questions. She has a letter that is included as part of the minutes. Mike Goddard stated there is a camper on Guy Joslins old place. They have been living there all summer. Adam will check it out.

Motion by Somers, seconded by Ashford to approve the July minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Somers discussed with the board the Treasurer's report thru July 31, 2026. He noted the expenses and the deposits. He balances with the Clerk and the bank.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procnier to approve the July Treasurer's report as presented. MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning: Administrator Brege reported the special planning commission meeting was held for the solar special use permit. The planning commission voted to deny the Consumers application. The lawyer has advised him not to talk about the solar application until Consumers reaches back out to see what they want to do. He has 2 new land use permits. Clerk LaVergne asked about a land use permit for the property next to her house. Brege has the permit and will give a copy to Clerk LaVergne and Treasurer Somers.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Sheriff's report: read and placed on file.
- BOR update: There was no business and no activity. No one showed up.
- IOSCO RESA L-4029 signed copy received.
- Solar letters from the public received and distributed to board members. They will be included in the meeting minutes.

BUSINESS:

Gustin Township L-4029 was presented to the board.

Motion by Procnier, seconded by Somers to approve Supervisor Ashford and Clerk LaVergne to sign the Gustin Township 2026 L-4029. Roll call: Ashford, Somers, LaVergne, Brege and Procnier. No. None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Zoning Secretary computer was discussed. She does not have a reliable computer. Discussion on having one for the zoning secretary.

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Somers to approve purchase of a refurbished laptop for the zoning secretary for \$515.00. It will stay with the role of whoever is the zoning secretary. Roll Call: Yes- Ashford, Brege, Somers, Procnier and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

There was discussion on a planning commission member and his eligibility to serve on the planning commission. Charles Powers is a registered voter in another state therefore is ineligible to serve on the planning commission. The members have to be electors in the State of Michigan.

Motion by Procnier, seconded by Brege to remove Charles Powers as a member of the Planning Commission. Roll Call: Yes- Ashford, Brege, Somers, Procnier and LaVergne. No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

There was discussion on the members of the ZBA board. Anthony Fries has moved out of the township and no longer will serve on the ZBA board.

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Ashford to remove Anthony Fries as a member of the ZBA board. Roll Call: Yes- Ashford, Brege, Somers, Procnier and LaVergne. No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The township received the contract from C&S Dust Control. There was discussion on the contract.

Motion by Somers, seconded by Ashford to sign the agreement with C&S Dust Control for the township agreeing to pay 50% of up to 300' (\$141.00) worth of dust control provided by C&S dust control per parcel. Rates: \$1.26 per 100' x 22'. Roll call: Yes-Ashford, Procunier, Somers, Brege and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procunier to publish the C & S dust control ad in the Alcona Review for one week. Roll call: Yes-Ashford, Procunier, Somers, Brege and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Bauer, Florip and Wojda PLC invoice was received. The invoice is for general matters regarding the solar expansion project by Consumers Energy,

Motion by Prounier, seconded by Ashford to approve the Bauer, Florip & Wojda PLC invoice in the amount of \$4,875.00. Roll call: Yes-Procunier, Somers, LaVergne, Brege and Ashford. No: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Stephenson & Company, P.C. has completed the F-65 form for the Year end 3/31/26. This is done on the opposite year of the audit. The fee for filing the form is \$565.00.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Ashford to approve the Stephenson & Company, P.C. invoice in the amount of \$565.00. Roll call: Yes-Procunier, Somers, LaVergne, Brege and Ashford. No: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Received two letters of intent to serve on the planning commission.

Motion by Somers, seconded by LaVergne to appoint Catherine MacMaster and Dana Ramus to serve on the planning commission for the next 3 years. Roll call: Yes-Procunier, Somers, LaVergne, Brege and Ashford. No: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Received invoice from the Alcona County Sheriff Office for security detail for the Planning Commission Special meeting on 8/6/26 for Solar special use permit.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Somers to approve the invoice from the Alcona County Sheriff Department for deputy wages for security detail for the special planning and zoning meeting held on 8/6/26 for \$157.50. Roll call: Yes-Procunier, Somers, LaVergne, Brege and Ashford. No: None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Procunier, seconded by LaVergne to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$9,412.59 check numbers 12315-12343. Roll Call: Yes- Ashford, Brege, Somers, Procunier and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Public Comment: It was asked if the lawyer invoice could be seen by the public.

The meeting was adjourned by Ashford at 7:02 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on September 21st at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor