

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Lincoln Township Board
Thursday, February 12, 2026**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lincoln Township Board was held at the Lincoln Township Hall. The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Clerk Kristie Damron. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with Treasurer Manda Haas, Clerk Kristie Damron, Trustee Brenda Damron, and Trustee Noreen Walter attending. Supervisor Gerald Wenkel absent.

The meeting minutes from January were presented and read. Treasurer Haas made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Treasurer Haas. Trustee Damron made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried.

Correspondence was received from the following:

- Julie Braun from Civic Clarity regarding email hosting. Currently, the email for the clerk is hosted in RackMail, but their hosting services are doubling in 2026. Alternative were provided. Clerk Damron presented the options and suggested that SpringMail be the new host of the township's email, as the cost remains the same as it would have previously been with RackMail. Treasurer Haas made a motion to approve the new email host as presented. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried.
- Consumers Energy reached out regarding the street lights. Everything was moved to the right of ways, but we are awaiting a permit.

A motion was made by Treasurer Haas to pay the bills as presented. Seconded by Trustee Damron. Motion carried.

The meeting was open to the public with zero (0) citizens in attendance.

There was no Fire Authority report given.

There was no Assessor's report given.

Zoning Administrator, Brenda Matt, gave the zoning report as follows:

- Zoning Board of Appeals was held on 1/13/2026. The bylaws were adopted.
- Working with Great Lakes Kitchen and Bath regarding a digital sign. The first sign presented was too large. Currently awaiting the new plan.
- Planning Commission's public hearing regarding ordinance amendments will be on 3/11/2026 at 6:30 PM.
- Currently working on a site plan in the Osier subdivision. It will be a medical building. It complies with the Land Division Act.

- Whalen's Bar and Grill had a previously approved permit for a sign. They would like to move the sign from the original permitted spot. Awaiting more details from Whalen's Bar and Grill for more information about where the sign will ultimately be placed.

Unfished Business:

A new resolution needs to be signed for the previously approved credit cards due to the wording of the resolution. Clerk Damron will sign the new resolution to move forward with issuing credit cards to the board.

Treasurer Haas brought up the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Grants. Currently, we have the following requests to apply for:

- SSYSO has requested that the township apply for a practice field. They have provided the quotes.
- Electrical for lighting in office, closet, replace bulbs in the hall, add an outlet in the closet, add some lighting fixtures. Treasurer Haas will work on getting a quote.
- Perma-Zyme for Melita Road from M-61 to Johnsfield Road and Johnsfield Road to the Lincoln Township Hall.

Clerk Damron has requested to appoint Deputy Clerk Ardith Demo as election chair at a rate of \$25.00 an hour. Trustee Haas has made a motion to approve the motion as presented. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried.

New Business:

Treasurer Haas presented resolution 2026-1 to accept the hardship poverty exemption for property taxes regarding current federal poverty lines. A roll call vote was carried as follows to approve the resolution as presented: Clerk Damron aye, Treasurer Haas aye, Trustee Damron aye, Trustee Walter aye. Motion carried.

Treasurer Haas presented resolution 2026-2 to remove the garbage assessment from parcel #006-0-002-100-085-00 for property owner J Deckert Investments LLC. A roll call vote was carried as follows to approve the resolution as presented: Clerk Damron aye, Treasurer Haas aye, Trustee Damron aye, Trustee Walter aye. Motion carried.

The township has scheduled the Annual Meeting & Budget Review on Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 6:00 PM at the Lincoln Township Hall.

The following raises were discussed:

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| • Supervisor: \$9,000.00 | • Planning Comm Chair: \$200.00 |
| • Treasurer: \$12,000.00 | • Planning Comm Secretary: \$500.00 |
| • Clerk: \$11,000.00 | • Board of Review: \$60.00 organizational |
| • Trustees: \$3,400.00 each | • & wrap up meeting each |
| • Zoning: \$5,000.00 | • Board of Review: \$120.00 for full day |
| • Deputy: \$200.00 each | meeting |
| • Meetings: \$60.00 each | |

Treasurer Haas has made a motion to approve the above raises as presented. Seconded by Trustee Damron. Motion carried. Raises will be discussed further for approval at the Annual Meeting & Budget Review on March 31, 2026 at the Lincoln Township Hall at 6:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn made by Treasurer Haas. Seconded by Trustee Damron. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 12th at 6:00 PM at the Lincoln Township Hall.

Kristie Damron, Clerk

Gerald Wenkel, Supervisor