

**Ross Township Special Board Meeting
Draft Minutes
ROSS TOWNSHIP
KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Thursday, March 27, 2025**

Attendee Name	Title	Roll Call Status
Christina Hutchings	Supervisor	Present
Mary Stage	Clerk	Present
Amanda Wiersma	Treasurer	Present
Michael Bekes	Trustee	Present
Lynn Harmon	Trustee	Absent with cause
Diana Langshaw	Trustee	Present
Todd White	Trustee	Absent with cause
Rob Thall	Attorney	Not Present

Call to Order:

Supervisor Hutchings called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm with all rising for the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Prior to the approval to the agenda, Clerk Stage asked to add to New Business the Resolution of the Ross Township Planning Commission Notice of Regular meeting dates for the 2025-2026 Year.

Also, Supervisor Hutchings asked to add draft minutes from Tuesday, March 18, 2025, to the Consent Agenda. Board voted to table till next meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Motion
Trustee Bekes moved to accept the agenda with changes, supported by Trustee Langshaw the motion passed unanimously.

Mover	Trustee Bekes
Second	Trustee Langshaw
Result	Resolution Adopted: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 2 Absent

Name	Vote	Name	Vote
Supervisor Hutchings	Aye	Trustee Bekes	Aye
Clerk Stage	Aye	Trustee Harmon	Absent
Treasurer Wiersma	Aye	Trustee Langshaw	Aye
		Trustee White	Absent

Resolution
Trustee Bekes resolved to accept the Planning Commission's meeting dates for 2025-2026, supported by Treasurer Wiersma, the motion passed.

Mover	Trustee Bekes
Second	Treasurer Wiersma
Result	Resolution Adopted: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 2 Absent

Name	Vote	Name	Vote
Supervisor Hutchings	Aye	Trustee Bekes	Aye
Clerk Stage	Aye	Trustee Harmon	Absent
Treasurer Wiersma	Aye	Trustee Langshaw	Aye
		Trustee White	Absent

Citizen Comment:

Supervisor Hutchings opened citizen comment at 4:04 pm, no participators, Supervisor Hutchings closed public comment at 4:04 pm.

New Business:

Appointment to the Fire Board

Motion
Trustee Bekes moved to appoint Diana Langshaw to the Fire Board term 2025 - 2027, supported by Treasurer Wiersma, the motion passed.

Mover	Trustee Bekes
Second	Treasurer Wiersma
Result	Resolution Adopted: 4 Ayes; 0 Nays; 1 Abstained; 2 Absent

Name	Vote	Name	Vote
Supervisor Hutchings	Aye	Trustee Bekes	Aye
Clerk Stage	Aye	Trustee Harmon	Absent
Treasurer Wiersma	Aye	Trustee Langshaw	Abstained
		Trustee White	Absent

Appointment to Council of Government

Clerk Stage spoke on the notice she received from the County concerning the new Council. Trustee Langshaw asked if it is mostly Supervisors that get appointed to such a Council, Supervisor Hutchings answered yes.

Motion	
Trustee Langshaw moved to appoint Supervisor Hutchings to the Council of Government, supported by Clerk Stage, the motion passed.	

Mover	Trustee Langshaw
Second	Clerk Stage
Result	Resolution Adopted: 4 Ayes; 0 Nays; 1 Abstained; 2 Absent

Name	Vote	Name	Vote
Supervisor Hutchings	Abstained	Trustee Bekes	Aye
Clerk Stage	Aye	Trustee Harmon	Absent
Treasurer Wiersma	Aye	Trustee Langshaw	Aye
		Trustee White	Absent

Second Citizen Comment:

Supervisor Hutchings opened citizen comment at 4:08 pm, no participators, Supervisor Hutchings closed public comment at 4:08 pm.

Trustee Langshaw noted that the Fire Board Meeting scheduled for April 10, 2025 was cancelled. There may possibly be one on April 23, 2025.

Supervisor Hutchings reminded the Board that we will be meeting with the Command Staff from the Fire Department at 5:30 on April 15, 2025, prior to our Board meeting.

Trustee Bekes noted there will be no Zoning Board of Appeals meeting in April.

Motion	
Clerk Stage moved to adjourn, supported by Trustee Bekes, the motion passed.	

Mover	Trustee Langshaw
Second	Clerk Stage
Result	Resolution Adopted: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 2 Absent

Name	Vote	Name	Vote
Supervisor Hutchings	Aye	Trustee Bekes	Aye
Clerk Stage	Aye	Trustee Harmon	Absent
Treasurer Wiersma	Aye	Trustee Langshaw	Aye
		Trustee White	Absent

Supervisor Hutchings adjourned the meeting at 4:12 pm.