

**Ross Township Special Board Meeting
 Budget Workshop Minutes
 ROSS TOWNSHIP
 KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN
 January 20, 2026**

Attendee Name	Title	Roll Call Status
Christina Hutchings	Supervisor	Present
Mary Stage	Clerk	Present
Amanda Wiersma	Treasurer	Present
Michael Bekes	Trustee	Absent with cause
Lynn Harmon	Trustee	Present
Diana Langshaw	Trustee	Present
Todd White	Trustee	Present
Rob Thall	Attorney	Absent

Call to Order:

Supervisor Hutchings called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm with all rising for the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Approval of Agenda

Motion
Trustee Langshaw moved to accept the agenda, supported by Treasurer Wiersma. The motion passed.

Mover	Trustee Langshaw
Second	Treasurer Wiersma
Result	Motion Adopted: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 1 Absent

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

Motion
Treasure Wiersma moved to accept the consent agenda, supported by Trustee Langshaw. The motion passed.

Mover	Treasurer Wiersma
Second	Trustee Langshaw
Result	Motion Adopted: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 1 Absent

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

Citizen Comment:

No citizens present.

New Business:

Budget Discussion for 2026 – 2027 – Trustee Harmon reviewed the budget with the Board. During the review and discussion several changes were made to the budget.

Resolution
Trustee Harmon resolved to accept amendments made to the budget, captured by Treasurer Wiersma during Board discussion, supported by Treasurer Wiersma. After a roll call vote, the resolution passed.

Mover	Trustee Harmon
Second	Treasurer Wiersma
Result	Motion Adopted: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 1 Absent

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

The Board discussed how many dollars to put forth this year (2026-2027) for road repairs, afterwards the following resolution was made.

Resolution

Supervisor Hutchings resolved that Ross Township partner with the Road Commission of Kalamazoo a commitment of \$125,000.00 for road repairs in 2026 – 2027, supported by Treasurer Wiersma. After a roll call vote, the resolution passed.

Mover Supervisor Hutchings
Second Treasurer Wiersma
Result **Resolution Adopted: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 1 Absent**

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

Motion

Clerk Stage moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Trustee Langshaw. The motion passed.

Mover Clerk Stage
Second Trustee Langshaw
Result **Motion Adopted: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstained; 1 Absent**

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

A video recording of this meeting is on YouTube.

Mary Stage
 Clerk Stage

Wednesday February 18, 2026
 Date