

# LEE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MARCH 11, 2026

Lee Township Hall, 23045 21 Mile Road, Olivet Michigan

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| Called to order at 7:05p | Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance   |
| Budget Meeting           | 6:00p-6:48p  |
| Members Present:         | Supervisor, Brad Shrontz; Clerk, Samantha VanDorsten;<br>Treasurer Douglas Mathewson; Trustee, Casey Hall; Trustee,<br>Scott Piepkow |
| Members Absent           | None   |

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## ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA: CRYSTAL FLASH/ HEATING ISSUE

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from February Meeting

Motion: Mathewson Support: Hall

Voice Call Vote: 5 yea 0 nay

### BUDGET AMENDMENTS: RESOLUTION 15-2026 BA 2 Motion to approve Budget Resolution

Motion: VanDorsten Support: Piepkow

Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow

### APPROVAL OF MONTHLY BILLS:

Motion to approve Bills by Mathewson Support: Piepkow

Roll: Piepkow, VanDorsten, Hall, Mathewson, Shrontz

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Crystal Flash/ Heating issue at Hall, Leans of Farmlands, Solar opposition, book recommendation

### REPORTS

- Clerk:
- Treasurer: Report supplied
- Olivet Fire: Report Supplied
- Assessor: Board of Review
- Planning Commission: Special Meeting, DTE SUP
- Sheriff: B&Es in township
- Elected Officials: Dave Gilbert, Prosecuting Attorney, Gary Tompkins, County Happenings
- Zoning: Last month for the County.

### OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1. **Mowing/ Plowing:** Bid provided for H&L, Additional bids for next month
2. **Zoning Administrator:** Jen Bamba is finished at the end of the month; Carl Fowler would like to step up and do the zoning admin role for no additional charge to the township. Motion to accept Carl Fowler as Zoning Administrator for the township:
  - a. Motion: Mathewson, Support Piepkow
  - b. Roll: Shrontz, Piepkow, Hall, Mathewson, VanDorsten
3. **CEI Project Manager:** Motion to approve the hire of CEI as project manager for solar projects
  - a. **Motion:** Piepkow, Support: Mathewson
  - b. **Roll:** Mathewson, Hall, VanDorsten, Piepkow, Shrontz
4. **Wage Resolutions:**
  - a. 03-2026 Trustee 150 per diam

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- i. Motion: Mathewson Support Piepkow
    - ii. Roll: Yes: Piepkow, Shrontz, VanDorsten, Mathewson No: Hall
  - b. 04-2026 Supervisor 14400 per year
    - i. Motion: VanDorsten Support Mathewson
    - ii. Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow
  - c. 05-2026 Clerk 18000 per year
    - i. Motion: Hall Support: Piepkow
    - ii. Roll: Piepkow, Shrontz, Mathewson, VanDorsten, Hall
  - d. 06-2026 Board of Review 100 per session
    - i. Motion: VanDorsten Support: Piepkow
    - ii. Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow
  - e. 07-2026 Treasurer 14400 per year
    - i. Motion: Hall Support: Piepkow
    - ii. Roll: Piepkow, Shrontz, Mathewson, VanDorsten, Hall
  - f. 08-2026 Assessor 14400 per year
    - i. Motion: Piepkow Support: Mathewson
    - ii. Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow
  - g. 09-2026 Election Worker 15 per hours; Receiving board 16 per hour
    - i. Motion: VanDorsten Support: Piepkow
    - ii. Roll: Piepkow, Shrontz, Mathewson, VanDorsten, Hall
  - h. 10-2026 Election Chairperson 17 per hour
    - i. Motion: VanDorsten Support: Hall
    - ii. Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow
  - i. 11-2026 Planning Commission 50 per meeting
    - i. Motion: Piepkow Support: Hall
    - ii. Roll: Piepkow, Shrontz, Mathewson, VanDorsten, Hall
  - j. 12-2026 Zoning Board of Appeals 50 per meeting
    - i. Motion: Piepkow Support: Mathewson
    - ii. Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow
  - k. 13-2026 Deputy Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer 20 per hour
    - i. Motion: Hall Support: Mathewson
    - ii. Roll: Piepkow, Shrontz, Mathewson, VanDorsten, Hall
  - l. 14-2026 General Appropriations Act
    - i. Motion: VanDorsten Support: Piepkow
    - ii. Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow
- 5. **Check Stop payment:** Motion to Stop payment of check 7593 and reissue
  - a. **Motion:** Mathewson **Support:** Piepkow
  - b. **Roll:** Piepkow, Shrontz, Mathewson, VanDorsten, Hall
- 6. **Semco Energy:** Franchise Ordinance to continue servicing.
  - a. Motion: Piepkow, Support Hall
  - b. Roll: Hall, VanDorsten, Mathewson, Shrontz, Piepkow
- 7. **Olivet Fire Contract:** Motion to approver
  - a. Motion: Mathewson, Support: Hall
  - b. Roll: Shrontz, Mathewson, Piepow, VanDorsten, Hall
- 8. **Roads:**
  - a. Motion to approve work contingent on Twp receiving grant; O Drive to be put to gravel; Developers are willing to pay for part for getting roads done; some wanting to have roads done before starting;

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- b. Motion to agree to terms with stipulations: 1) Receive grant 2) Developers also paying for part
    - i. Motion: Piepkow, Support: Hall
    - ii. Roll: Yes: Hall, VanDorsten, Piepkow, Shrontz; No: Mathewson
  - c. Getting R Drive back open: need at least 2 inches on it
  - d. Need to address Trees; some are already marked to be taken down should be taken down/trimmed so trucks are not running cars off the road or hitting the trees
  - e. Bridge on Old 27; State funded Possible
9. **Crystal Flash/Heating Issues:** Gage was malfunctioning on the tank which caused the tank to be completely used up without notifying them to come refill thus leading to heating issues at hall.
- a. Get pricing for future services from possible other companies

## BOARD COMMENTS:

- 1. **Next Meeting:** April 8, 2026 @7p
- 2. **Jimmy Johns:** Needs a special use permit, Cease and Desist letter sent, have 60 days to remove or township will need to take action. Has already been kicked out of another township.
- 3. **Bin Boss:** Has been working on going through process to be legal and get zoning approval

## MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:26P

Motion to adjourn by Piepkow, Support by Hall, Motion carried  
Approved at the April 2026 Regular Board Meeting