

Allegan Township Board Meeting
March 2, 2026
7:30 PM

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Pledge and Invocation

- II. Roll Call
 - A. Supervisor Steve Schulz, Treasurer Laree Waanders, Trustee Jim Connell, Trustee Heather Knight and Clerk Michelle Waite were present.

- III. Approve Minutes of February 2nd and February 10th meetings
 - A. Waanders/Knight made a motion to approve minutes. Motion carried.

- IV. Reports
 - A. Planning Commission
 - 1. Next meeting is March 9, 2026. Will discuss a rezone for a resident requesting approval from AG to R2.
 - B. Zoning Board of Appeals
 - 1. Next meeting is April 13, 2026.
 - C. Scott Beltman, County Commissioner
 - 1. The Parks and Recreation 5-year plan passed. Updated the board on the Meals on Wheels program in the County. Also answered question regarding the equine trails within the County.
 - D. Nick Brink, Fire Chief
 - 1. Gave January 2026 incident report. Discussion on the new Fire truck and plans for the old fire truck.
 - E. Miner Lake Report
 - 1. The task force is working on a recommendation to present to the township by mid Summer.

- V. Public Comment- State Representative, Rachelle Smit, spoke to the board and gave an update from Lansing. Will have a meeting open to the public in Wayland on March 25th at 10am.

Judge Christopher Burnett introduced himself as serving in the 57th District County.

VI. Old Business

A. EMC insurance

1. Connell/Waanders made a motion to approve the insurance increase from \$212.00 to \$250.00 per square foot. Total bill will be increased \$255.00. Motion carried with all in favor.

B. Approval of plan for obsolete fire truck

1. Approval was tabled pending more information.

C. Approval of spending \$40,000 on Sports complex in collaboration with City of Allegan

1. Connell/Schulz made a motion to support spending \$40,000.00 in collaboration with the city of Allegan. Motion failed with 3-2 votes.

In favor: Connell and Schulz

Not in favor: Waanders, Waite and Knight

VII. New Business

A. Set public hearing for 2026/2027 FY budget

1. Hearing must be given 6 days' notice to the public before the hearing.

B. Election commission approve May 5, 2026, election

1. May 5th election will take place, but Waite will see if it can be moved to Hopkins township.

VIII. Pay Bills

A. General Fund

1. Connell/Waanders made a motion to approve payment of bills from the General Fund for \$16,315.56. Connell/Waite made a motion to approve payment of \$875.00 from Miner Lake Fund. All motions passed with all in favor.

IX. Correspondence

1. Waanders gave an update on the Winter tax season.

X. Adjourn meeting

- A. 1. Waanders/Connell made a motion to adjourn which passed with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.