

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COMSTOCK TOWNSHIP BOARD
KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN
AUGUST 19, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Supervisor Ben Martin	Supervisor	Present
Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield	Treasurer	Present
Trustee Jerry Amos	Trustee	Present
Attorney Rob Thall	Attorney	Present
Trustee Kristie Cherry	Trustee	Absent
Trustee Bob Pratt	Trustee	Absent
Trustee Terry McIver	Trustee	Absent
Temporarily appointed Trustee Korb was in attendance.		

Meeting was called to order at 6pm by Supervisor Martin with a full room of citizens present, Treasurer Bloomfield, Trustee Amos, and Temporarily appointed Trustee Korb.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Martin requested prior to approving the agenda to modify by removing the second reading of the PUD ordinance, as well as removing planning commission appointments under "Treasurer".

Treasurer Bloomfield requested clarification on if the planning commission appointments were being moved.

Supervisor Martin clarified that it was already under Supervisor so it did not need to be in both locations. Supervisor Martin requested removal of the planning commission appointments under Treasurer and removal of the second reading of ordinance 571 because it had been published in the paper it was going to be read Monday so it will need to be redone.

Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield made a motion to approve Treasurer Bloomfield motioned that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion was supported by Trustee Amos. Motion passed by voice vote..

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield , Treasurer
SECONDER: Trustee Jerry Amos, Trustee
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt

PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Approximately 17 members of the public shared comments on the agenda items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DEPARTMENTS/BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

There were no announcements for Departments/Boards/or Commissions.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield made a motion to approve Motion made by Treasurer Bloomfield to approve the consent agenda. Supported by Trustee Amos. Motion passed by voice vote. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield , Treasurer
SECONDER: Trustee Jerry Amos, Trustee
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt

- Meeting Minutes from July 13, 2026
- Meeting Minutes from July 20, 2026
- Bills Payable: August 18, 2026

PRESENTATION(S)

There were no presentations.

BUSINESS

There were no items discussed under Business.

FIRE & RESCUE

Nothing discussed for Fire and Rescue.

PLANNING & ZONING

Nothing discussed for planning and zoning.

CLERK

No items for the Clerk.

TREASURER

Resignation of Nicole Beauchamp, Township Clerk
Treasurer Bloomfield announced that they had the resignation of Nicole Beauchamp for Township Clerk and requested a motion to accept. A roll call vote was called by Treasurer Bloomfield. Supervisor Martin - yes. Trustee Amos - yes. Trustee Korb- yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion made by Trustee Amos to accept the resignation of Nicole Beauchamp for Township Clerk. Motion was supported by Supervisor Martin. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER: Supervisor Ben Martin, Supervisor

Appointment of Clerk for Charter Township of Comstock
Treasurer Bloomfield asked Attorney Tall to discuss the importance of appointing a Clerk for public understanding. Attorney Tall shared that the board had to meet tonight and take action on the issue of the Clerk because of the bond issue that the Township has out for the

fire station. He explained the bonds have been sold but have not yet been delivered. As part of that delivery, the Clerk has to sign off on the closing and delivery of the bond issue. He further elaborated that they spent time with the Bond Council and had the discussion about what would happen if there was not a Clerk to sign. The Bond Council would have to report that immediately to their underwriters who were selling the bonds and it could be considered a material default. He explained that could result in a breach of contract. He stated to avoid those legal issues the board had to meet this evening and had to appoint a new Clerk.

Treasurer Bloomfield asked if Attorney Thall could speak about the bond rating, credit scores, the ability for lending and other implications.

Attorney Thall explained if there was a default and the underwriter withdrew the bond, the township was informed that they would not be able to borrow money for many years and that no one would lend money because of that issue. He continued stating that it would be a big concern for a township our size to not be able to borrow money and that it was imperative to get something done tonight to appoint a Clerk.

Supervisor Martin thanked Attorney Thall and asked Treasurer Bloomfield to speak to the appointment and share the confidence the board has in the individual to be appointed.

Treasurer Bloomfield expressed confidence in the person willing to step forward and explained she had the opportunity to work with this individual on the Planning Commission.

Motion was made by Treasurer Bloomfield. Supported by Trustee Amos. Roll Call Vote was called. Trustee Amos - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes. Trustee Korb - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes.

Supervisor Martin then requested Amber Lawrence to approach the dias. Deputy Supervisor Dean Rockwell also approached the dias and conducted the oath of office for Township Clerk and Amber Lawrence was sworn in.

Amber Lawrence then took her seat at the dias.

Supervisor Martin then referenced Attorney Thall for next steps.

Attorney Thall explained with the appointment of the Clerk, Korb's role as temporary Trustee ceased and thanked him for his service. Mr. Korb left the dias.

Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield made a motion to approve Treasurer Bloomfield motioned to appoint Amber Lawrence for Clerk for Comstock Charter Township. Motion supported by Trustee Amos. .

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield , Treasurer
SECONDER:	Trustee Jerry Amos, Trustee
AYES:	Supervisor Ben Martin, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT:	Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt

Resignation of Kristie Cherry, Township Trustee

Treasurer Bloomfield stated that the Board has received the resignation of Trustee Chirsty Cherry.

Roll call vote was called. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Trustee Amos- yes. Supervisor Martin -

yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion made by Trustee Amos to accept the resignation of Christy Cherry, a Township Trustee. Motion supported by Treasurer Bloomfield. .

RESULT: **PASSED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Treasurer
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver,
Trustee Bob Pratt

Resignation of Bob Pratt, Township Trustee
Treasurer Bloomfield announced they had received the resignation from Trustee Bob Pratt. Motion was made by Trustee Amos, supported by Treasurer Bloomfield. A roll call vote was taken. Trustee Amos - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion to accept the resignation of Bob Pratt, a Township Trustee. .

RESULT: **PASSED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Treasurer
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver,
Trustee Bob Pratt

Resignation of Terry McIver, Township Trustee
Treasurer Bloomfield introduced the resignation of Terry McIver, Township Trustee. Motion was made by Trustee Amos to accept the resignation of Trustee McIver. Supported by Clerk Lawrence. Roll Call vote was called. Supervisor Martin - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Trustee Amos - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion to accept the resignation of Terry McIver, a Township Trustee. Supported by Clerk Lawrence. .

RESULT: **PASSED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER:
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver,
Trustee Bob Pratt

Planning Commission Actions & Updates
This item was removed when approving the minutes.

Second Reading of Ordinance 571 - Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Planned Unit Development
This item was removed when approving the minutes.

Quotes For Forensic Audit & Investigation

Treasurer Bloomfield requested permission from the board to get quotes for a forensic audit and investigation. She stated that her office feels this is of importance based on recent resignations, timing of them and with both the bond project and the battery energy storage application before the township. She mentioned resident concerns as well as the payout of the Superintendent. Treasurer Bloomfield commented that it would be an in-depth investigation and she would like to start with a first phase of it.

Motion made by Trustee Amos, supported by Clerk Lawrence.

Roll call vote was taken. Clerk Lawrence - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes. Trustee Amos - yes.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion for the Treasurer to seek quotes for the forensic audit. Supported by Clerk Lawrence. .

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER:	
AYES:	Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT:	Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt

TRUSTEE

no items were discussed.

SUPERVISOR

Water Pumping Stations Nos. 25 & 39 Land Management Planning

Supervisor Martin introduced the topic of Water Pumping Stations 25 & 29 and Land Management Planning. He stated he has heard the concerns of residents, and he believes the presenters have as well which is why they were present to speak to the community. Supervisor Martin stated he believed that it would be good for everyone to have some dialogue. He mentioned ultimately, it is their land, but we would work to seek synergy to ensuring health, safety, and welfare for our community.

James Baker, the Public Services Director and City Engineer for the City of Kalamazoo approached the podium as well as Jean Solanda to discuss the proposed program. Baker gave a brief overview of what the goals and intents are with Station 25 which is the Fred McLinden Park area and also Station 39, a station located off of Miller Dr. towards Galesburg. He discussed the project in partnership with Michigan DNR and Michigan EGLE on ways to improve overall water quality and improve management of wellfield sites. Baker expressed concerns with environmentally valuable timber stock from a water quality perspective. Through the review of a professional forester, they have identified that critical oaks and hickories are not regenerating for two primary reasons. One the basal area is too dense and two there is an impact from deer browsing. Because of those issues, they are looking to create a managed timber program and a way to manage deer. Baker continued to describe test programs that have been completed that they believe would help this situation at these two areas.

Jean Solanda, the Wellhead Protection Program Manager, took the podium to discuss activities that are occurring to protect the well fields and the water's resource. Solanda explained the difference in one-, five-and ten-year capture zones and how they are managed. She explained the importance of the root systems in the areas of the capture

zones and how that has a positive impact on drinking water. She discussed the significant need to address the deer population and why they landed on the proposed plan. Hunters will be highly restricted to township employees and other public safety personnel. They discussed how the hunters would be educated and regulated by their department as well as how tags would be issued through DNR and regulated with their partnership. She explained they were bringing this forward because they wanted to have feedback from the township and desired transparency with the public.

Further discussion and questions were posed by the members of the Township Board.

Baker agreed to put together some FAQ's for the residents and consensus of the board was favorable. Attorney Thall clarified that this would be a later agenda item once additional information was provided.

Baker and Solanda were thanked for their time.

Sheriff Contract & Possible Action

Supervisor Martin invited Chief Deputy Bishop to the podium to discuss the contract the township has with the Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office for dedicated coverage.

Deputy Bishop explained that our contract expired the end of 2025 and that a one-year renewal was completed at that time keeping everything status-quo. The Sheriff's Office was directed to do a deep dive into contracting with the townships to explore the true cost of providing the service that they do. Townships were paying wages, benefits, including fringe, overtime, and some portion of fuel costs however the Sheriff's Office feels there is more that goes into providing the coverage than what is being paid for. Deputy Bishop explained they are not seeing 100% reimbursement but do need to revise the contract. The contract in question would begin January 2027 and would be a three year contract with the option of two, one year extensions. Bishop explained the 7 step scale for officer pay, as well as the other costs associated in the contract to include an actual vs assumed fuel cost and a 10% administrative fee.

Supervisor Martin explained he and Trustee Amos took the chart and did some projections with the highest paid rates plus the 10% and we still would come under the already approved police millage. Supervisor Martin suggested moving forward with the 4 deputy's we currently have contracted and then when the budget is established for next year we could see if we have additional funds that could get us additional coverage and perhaps amend the contract at that time.

Further discussion was had. Clerk Lawrence questioned the quantity of calls currently being answered by our dedicated vehicles vs county vehicles. But that could not be answered at this time, however, Bishop mentioned that Comstock has on average 33 calls for service per day. Clerk Lawrence also inquired how the township would know if one of the dedicated officers was away on extended leave and how many officers the County is currently understaffed by.

Attorney Thall mentioned that there is a typographical error on paragraph 19 where it references section 6 but should reference section 7 and a date needed to be adjusted.

Chief Deputy Bishop then discussed the staffing recommendations for our area and how those numbers were calculated. After additional discussion was had before the motion was made and voted on by roll call vote. Trustee Amos - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion made to accept the Sheriff's contract

with the revisions recommended by Attorney Thall. Motion supported by Clerk Lawrence. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER:
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver,
Trustee Bob Pratt

Website Proposal & Possible Action

Supervisor Martin introduced a proposal to update the township's website. Martin reasoned that the Michigan Township Association has required that all websites are ADA compliant by 2028 he believes and that it was a talking point on multiple educational sessions he attended. Comstock Township's website is not currently compliant. The proposal would give the township an opportunity to do a little rebranding, achieve the ADA requirement, and support ease of use. The overall consensus of the board was that we need to get compliant and that our website is not currently user friendly. A motion to accept the proposed package with maintenance and hosting was made and voice vote was called.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion to accept the website proposal by shoemakers to include the annual maintenance and hosting..

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Treasurer
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver,
Trustee Bob Pratt

Purchase Agreement for 55 School Street & Possible Action

Supervisor Martin introduced a purchase agreement for township property located at 55 School St. Martin explained he had worked with the attorney and the assessor. Quotes to clean up the property were between \$40,000-\$50,000 which were more than the property is worth. Because the property is not currently on the tax register as it is owned by the township and the cost to clean it up was higher than the value, the purchase agreement would give the property to the buyer with the condition of cleaning it up. Supervisor Martin explained this is a win-win for the township because there is some interest in doing some development that would bring the property back on the tax assessment rolls and spares the township the cost of the clean-up.

Attorney Thall explained what is called "value to value exchange" which is required when selling any property of the township. The value is gauged by the board. In this case the property is presently in a state of disrepair with debris that constitutes a threat to health, safety, and welfare of the public. The cost to clean up the property is greater than the assessor has valued the property. In terms of value to value; the township would provide the property to the purchaser at not cost but the purchaser has to remediate the property within six months of the date of the transfer of ownership. If they fail to clean it up and take care of it, then the township has a right of reverter and can take the property back. The attorney goes on to say that from a legal standpoint, he thinks the township is protected and is complying with the constitutional requirement of value for value exchange.

There were no further questions by the board. A motion was made to approve and roll call vote was held. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes. Trustee Amos - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes.

Parking Lot Quotes

Supervisor Martin presented multiple parking log quotes to fix and repair the parking lot at Township Hall. Discussion was had regarding the two quotes and the benefit of fixing only a portion of the parking lot or fixing the entire lot and getting it in a longer lasting condition. It was discussed if we fail to fix the parking lot we could need to spend upwards of \$40,000 to start over based on how excessive the damage is. Discussion was had on which direction the board wanted to go. Board members were in favor of having the total repair done and having the parking lot resealed and re-stripped at the same time. A motion was made, supported, and a roll call vote was taken. Trustee Amos - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes.

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion to accept the parking lot quotes from Tustin's for \$12,100. Supported by Clerk Lawrence. .

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER:	
AYES:	Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT:	Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt

MSHDA Homeowner Rehabilitation Partnership Presentation and Possible Action
Supervisor Martin invited up Carley from Kalamazoo Climate Crisis Coalition. Carley explained a grant program she approached the township to get involved in that would offer up to \$800,000 in grant money to support low-income families in Comstock Township with necessary home repairs to include wheelchair ramps, energy efficiency, etc. It is unclear at this time the timing of the application and the deadline but the desire was to bring this before the board as informational and to see if there would be a interest in pursuing it. General board consensus was positive. A motion was made to move forward with pursuing the MSHADA homeowner rehabilitation partnership by Clerk Lawrence. The motion was supported by Trustee Amos and a roll call vote was taken. Supervisor Martin - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Trustee Amos - yes.

Planning Commission Appointment

Supervisor Martin proposed a new commissioner for the planning commission to fill the vacancy from commissioner Bub Sherwood's resignation. Supervisor Martin discussed his reasons for appointing this individual who also serves on the DDA and the desire to promote synergy between boards. He also mentioned that he worked to ensure the commissioners live geographically spread within the township and that they come from different industries. A motion was made to appoint Keith Wiltshire, the motion was supported and a roll call vote was taken. Supervisor Martin - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes. Trustee Amos - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes.

Additionally, Treasurer Bloomfield explained that we cannot have two board members on the planning commission and with the appointment of Clerk Lawrence, Treasurer Bloomfield resigned from the planning commission.

Supervisor Martin made a motion to appoint Amber Lawrence to the position of planning commission liaison.

Amber Lawrence motioned to abstain from voting on the appointment. Motion was supported and voice vote was taken.

Supervisor Martin's motion was then supported and a roll call vote was conducted. Trustee Amos - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Amber Lawrence - abstain.

Supervisor Ben Martin made a motion to appoint Motion to appoint Keith Wiltshire to fill the seat of Bub Sherwood on the Comstock Township Planning Commission. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Supervisor Ben Martin , Supervisor
SECONDER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Treasurer
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt

Supervisor Ben Martin made a motion to appoint Motion to appoint Amber Lawrence to the planning commission board liaison position. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Supervisor Ben Martin , Supervisor
SECONDER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Treasurer
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt

EGLE Compost Approval Letter

Supervisor Martin introduced the approval letter from EGLE regarding the transfer station. Martin gave a backstory that we were out of compliance with the State of Michigan and we were going to get a fine. Supervisor Martin explained he worked with EGLE to get the transfer station to be in compliance and to be able to be a compost facility. The township is now in compliance and will potentially be able to consider how it could distribute back out to residents in the future.

Employee Manual Update & Action

Supervisor Martin explained that while most duties were given back to the Supervisor under MCL 42.11 there is still some gray area where things are not clear in the employee manual due to the word superintendent being in there. The word Supervisor replaced Superintendent but only for statutory duties however there are actions listed in the employee manual that a functioning township needs to do and we need to clearly give authority to the Supervisor to manage. Martin expressed he is looking for support to replace the word "superintendent" with "supervisor" throughout the manual. A motion was made by Treasurer Bloomfield, Supported by Trustee Amos and a roll call vote was taken. Clerk Lawrence - yes. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Trustee Amos - yes. Supervisor Martin - yes.

Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield made a motion to approve Motion to change the employee manual wherever it states superintendent to have it changed to supervisor. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield , Treasurer
SECONDER: Trustee Jerry Amos, Trustee
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver,
Trustee Bob Pratt

Supervisor Salary & Action

Supervisor Martin proposed a discussion for Supervisor Salary and Action. He then referenced the attorney to find out if he needed to make a motion to abstain.

Attorney Thall stated Martin could participate in discussion to present to the board what he is asking for but should not vote.

Supervisor Martin then made a motion to abstain from voting, supported by Trustee Amos. Voice vote was taken.

Supervisor Martin then explained that ten thousand dollars does not seem sufficient for the time and work that is now involved in his responsibilities and that he would leave it up to the board on what direction they would like to see someone get paid that would be committed to doing the job.

Treasurer Bloomfield commented that Martin can't keep working for how many cents an hour and its been a long two years. She states because he is taking on the responsibility of HR along with the statutory duties that he needs to be somewhere in the range of where she'd checked with other municipalities of around a hundred and thirty-five thousand a year plus benefits.

Clerk Lawrence stated that she felt if Martin is taking on all of the responsibilities of superintendent and by effectively changing the manual to assigning those responsibilities then he should be paid like the superintendent. Lawrence stated that if the salary was one hundred and thirty-five thousand for the superintendent the township is still saving by paying Martin that because they were previously paying that plus ten thousand for the supervisor and a car stipend was offered for the previous superintendent. By the adjustment, it still puts the township ahead and puts Martin in a pay that seems appropriate for the job.

Trustee Amos offered some facts that Ben has a degree in business and that he's a licensed contractor. He stated that math indicates the Superintendent made one hundred and fifty-one thousand dollars, so he thinks this figure is a good figure. Amos commented that Martin is a good worker and that he has been present to make sure the community has gotten service and that people have been here to help. Amos stated that there have been significant hours put in to support the township, and he is confident that Martin will continue on with those hours.

Trustee Amos made a motion to pay the supervisor \$135,000 with full benefits, supported by Treasurer Bloomfield. Roll call vote was taken. Treasurer Bloomfield - yes. Clerk Lawrence - yes. Trustee Amos - yes. Supervisor Martin - abstain.

Supervisor Ben Martin made a motion to abstain Motion made for Supervisor Martin to abstain from voting on the Supervisor salary. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Supervisor Ben Martin , Supervisor
SECONDER: Trustee Jerry Amos, Trustee
AYES: Supervisor Ben Martin, Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos
ABSENT: Clerk Nicole Beauchamp, Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver,
Trustee Bob Pratt

Trustee Jerry Amos made a motion to approve Motion made to have the Supervisor paid \$135,000 with full benefits. .

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Trustee Jerry Amos , Trustee
SECONDER: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Treasurer
AYES: Treasurer Sandy Bloomfield, Trustee Jerry Amos, Supervisor Ben Martin
ABSENT: Trustee Kristie Cherry, Trustee Terry McIver, Trustee Bob Pratt, Clerk
Nicole Beauchamp

Requesting Letters of Interest & Resumes For Township Trustees- Due August 31, 2026 EOD Martin explained that we still have three trustee positions that are vacant and to be filled by appointment. The township will accept resumes and letters of interest from candidates and will conduct interviews as a part of the appointment process. Those interested in serving their community are encouraged to submit a resume and letter of interest to the charter Township of Comstock Board and to the Township Supervisor for consideration as part of the interview and appointment process. Submissions may be delivered to 5858 Kings Hwy. Kalamazoo, MI 49048 or electronically to the township supervisor at supervisor@comstockmi.gov. Those resumes will be accepted for two weeks and then the board will figure out how to move forward with interviews and discussions.

Attorney Thall commented that discussions would need to be in an open meeting.

Clerk Lawrence, Treasurer Bloomfield and Trustee Amos all gave words of encouragement for anyone who might be considering putting their name in the hat.

FINANCE

REPORTS

no discussion was had.

- Recognition from the City of Parchment
- July 2026 KABA Reports
- July 20 Sheriff's Reports
- Planning & Zoning Admin Report
- July 2026 Fire Department Incident Report
- Bills Paid: July 22, 2026- August 13, 2026
- August 4, 2026 Election Report

INFORMATIONAL/FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

no discussion was had.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Approximately 10 members of the public commented.

MEMBERS COMMENTS

Treasurer Bloomfield congratulated Clerk Lawrence and reminded everyone that the wall that heals would be in battle creek until Friday.

Clerk Lawrence thanked everyone and shared some personal information about herself for those that do not know her.

Supervisor Martin thanked Bill Korb for helping achieve quorum. He also asked residents to respect the Attorney. Lastly, Supervisor Martin shared some emotional commentary about the divide in the community and asked for the community to move forward.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned approximately at 9:01pm

Minutes signatures

Attested:

Amber Lawrence, Township Clerk

Benjamin Martin, Township Supervisor