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LAKE TOWNSHIP  
ROSCOMMON COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
1380 N. MICHELSON ROAD  
HOUGHTON LAKE, MI 48629

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**Special Board Meeting  
Budget Hearing  
March 26, 2026 @ 1 p.m.**

Special meeting of the Lake Township Board was called to order at 1:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Clerk; Andrea Grabowski, Trustee; Scott Hassler and Trustee; Pam Surprenant, present. Supervisor; John Hibbard and Treasurer; Harry Trier, absent.

**Motion:** Grabowski **Second:** Hassler to make Trustee Surprenant the moderator. AIF. MC.  
Surprenant explained the public hearing purpose and opened the public hearing portion of the budget hearing at 1:03p.m. Given there are no public comments, the public hearing portion of the meeting was closed at 1:03 p.m.

The Board discussed the 2026/2027 budget. Surprenant queried Hassler and Grabowski for any changes they would like to present. No changes were presented.

Clerk Grabowski presented a budget amendment. **Motion:** Hassler **Second:** Surprenant to move from 101-000-698 appropriated fund balance \$3,499.44 to 101-101-712 payroll taxes. AIF. MC.

Surprenant mentioned there were items discussed at the workshop, that could be acted upon today.

**Motion:** Surprenant **Second:** Grabowski to increase the township hourly wage from \$14.00 to \$15.00 effective April 1, 2026. AIF. MC.

**Motion:** Surprenant **Second:** Hassler to approve the time sheets for the Board of Review, Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Commission, and Maintenance as presented effective April 1, 2026. AIF. MC.

The Board discussed the budget beginning with the general fund. Discussion transfers out to street light fund. **Motion:** Surprenant **Second:** Hassler to add \$32,000.00 to the 101-000-995 transfer out in the general fund. AIF. MC.

The Board discussed the UIA report and responsibility completing this report quarterly. **Motion:** Surprenant **Second:** Grabowski to allocate \$300.00 annually to general ledger account 101-215-704 (DC Non-Statutory) for the deputy clerk to complete quarterly UIA reporting requirements. AIF. MC.

Discussion street fund. **Motion:** Surprenant **Second:** Grabowski to update the street fund revenue 202-000-402 from \$115,428 to \$121,000 consistent with the proposed millage. **Motion:** Hassler **Second:** Grabowski to approve the Fire Department Chief salary increase from \$10,290 to \$10,600 effective April 1, 2026. AIF. MC.

**Motion:** Hassler **Second:** Surprenant to approve the Assistant Fire Chief salary increase from \$3975 to \$4095 effective April 1, 2026. These are annual salaries. AIF. MC.

**Motion:** Hassler **Second:** Surprenant to approve the Fire Department Captain annual salary increase from \$3515 to \$3625 effective April 1, 2026. AIF. MC.

**Motion:** Hassler **Second:** Grabowski to approve Fire Department Lieutenant salary increase from \$3400 to \$3502 annually effective April 1, 2026. AIF. MC.

Discussion regarding increasing the FF meeting and run rates. Surprenant noted these changes were not discussed at the work session

Surprenant queried the Board for any other changes, and distributed the Appropriations Act. It was noted for the record that the Appropriations Act was not in completed form. A draft had been prepared and circulated for review; however, no completed version was available.

**Motion:** Surprenant **Second:** Grabowski to hold a special meeting on March 30, 2026 at 1 p.m. to approve the budget and Appropriations Act. AIF. MC Hassler volunteered to take the lead in completing the document.

Public Comment: Held  
Board Comment: Held

**Motion:** Surprenant **Second:** Hassler to adjourn the meeting at 1:35 p.m. AIF. MC.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Surprenant, Trustee  
Approved @ 4.14.26 LTRM April Meeting