

SODUS TOWNSHIP

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Subject to Amendment

4056 King Drive
Sodus, MI 49126
269.926.6285

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Meeting called to order: by Supervisor Chandler at 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Board members present: Supervisor David Chandler, Clerk Cheryl Andres, Treasurer Nancy Hamilton, Trustee Ken Peters, Trustee Loyall Bennett (Trustee Bennett arrived after the Approval of the Agenda)

Board member absent: None

Presentations:

Deputy B. Garza presented the October Incident report from the Berrien County Sheriff's Department

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion made by Chandler, seconded by Peters to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4:0

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion made by Bennett, seconded by Peters to approved the minutes of the September 9, 2025 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion carried 5:0

Treasurer's Report: Accepted as read

Approval of the Bills:

General Fund 101: \$30,018.71 **Road Fund 204:** \$52,356.66 **Fire Fund 206:** \$10,070.81

Cemetery Fund 209: \$2,288.18 **Permit Fund 549:** \$9,912.00 **Public Works 592:** \$0.00

Motion made by Bennett, seconded by Andres to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried 5:0

Public Comments: A resident questioned what the Township was doing about the blue tarp roof house on Pipestone Road. Supervisor Chandler assured the resident appropriate steps are being taken.

Library Director, Cindy, of the Eau Claire District Library and Sodus Township Library President, Colleen, updated the Board on the contract Sodus Township Library has with the Eau Claire District Library and plans to transition the Sodus Township Library with the E.C. District Library.

Actions Approved:

Motion made by Andres, seconded by Bennett to approve the bid from Wee Bee Dunn Roofing for \$2700.00 to remove and replace ceiling tiles and light coverings with new in the Hall and take down the three fans and replace with new ones purchased by the Township. Motion carried 5:0

Motion made by Chandler, seconded by Bennett to approve the hire of Alyssa French as the new custodian for the Township at a rate of \$40.00/hour cleaning once every two weeks.

Motion made by Andres, seconded by Chandler to approve purchasing a new AED for the fire department at a cost of around \$2500.00 to replace the currently outdated one for which we can no longer get new pads or batteries for. Motion carried. 5:0

Motion made by Chandler, seconded by Bennett to approve the seal work on the 1930 fire truck at a cost of \$2521.05 by Spencer's in South Haven. Motion carried. 5:0

Motion was made by Bennett, seconded by Andres to permanently set Halloween Trick or Treat hours to be held yearly on Halloween from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm in Sodus Township. Motion carried. 5:0

Resolution #16-2025 was made by Andres and seconded by Chandler to approve establishing an election commission for the Special Election being held on November 4, 2025 in Sodus Township. Roll call: Andres- aye, Chandler-aye, Hamilton-aye, Bennett-aye, Peters-aye. Motion carried 5:0

Reports and Communications: Chief Steinke updated the Board on the Fire Department.

Board and Staff Comments: Supervisor updated the Board on the letter received from the Department of Treasury on the L-4022 form they have not received.

Motion made by Bennett to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chandler and so declared by Supervisor Chandler at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried. 5:0

Cheryl Andres

Cheryl Andres
Sodus Township Clerk

MONTHLY VENDORS - October 2025

GENERAL FUND 101				FIRE FUND 206			
Vendor	Amount	Date paid	Detail	Vendor	Amount	Date paid	Detail
Alyssa French	\$ 70.00	10/15/2025	Custodial	Active 911			
Andrew Blankenship				Advanced Auto			
Arnt Asphalt				Andrew Blankenship			
B.C. Clerk's Association				B.C. Fire Chief's Association			
Beaudoin Electric				Beaudoin Electric			
Bennison's Lawn Care & Snow Plowing				Best One Fleet			
Berrien County Treasurer	\$ 180.00	10/15/2025	workcrew BCSD	BH Dept. of Public Safety	\$ 1,800.00	10/15/2025	training annual fee
Bing's Construction Co.				Brown's Locksmith			
Board of Review				Culby's Landscape Supplies, LLC			
Board Salaries	\$ 4,948.07	10/15/2025	Salaries	Dinges Fire Company			
BS&A				EMC Insurance			
Cheryl Andres	\$ 195.00	10/15/2025	ph/mileage	Everett Steinke	\$ 292.30	10/15/2025	ph/mileage
David Cochran	\$ 1,230.00	10/15/2025	Parks Mowing	Fire Department Salaries	\$ 6,930.00	10/15/2025	salaries
David Chandler	\$ 337.80	10/15/2025	ph/mileage	Great Lakes Truck			
EFTPS	\$ 1,068.54	10/15/2025	Fed Monthly Taxes	Honor Credit Union	\$ 180.00	10/15/2025	credit card
Election Workers				Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 174.74	10/15/2025	Electric
Glass Pro				James LaVanway			
Honor Credit Union	\$ 1,088.46	10/15/2025	Credit Card	Keystone Coop, Inc.			
Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 516.03	10/15/2025	Electric	Lowes			
Jackie Seib				MES			
Karen Metz				Michigan Fire & Safety			
Karen Ott	\$ 204.00	10/15/2025	dep tr salary	Michigan Gas Utilities	\$ 45.81	10/20/2025	Natural Gas Utility
Kim Rhoads				North Breathing Air, LLC			
Library				Pro Safety Innovations	\$ 487.96	10/15/2025	fire ext maint
Maner Costerisan	\$ 5,900.00	10/15/2025	Annual audit	Sodus Firefighter Fund			
Maria Gasca				Spencer Mfg.			
MEC				Staples			
Medic 1 Ambulance				Summit Company			
MI Township Association				Tele-Rad, Inc.			
Michigan Gas Utilities	\$ 80.27	10/20/2025	Natural Gas Utility	Todd Steinke			
Nancy Hamilton	\$ 217.67	10/15/2025	ph/mileage	Travelers Insurance			
PC Services				United States Postal Service			
Planning Commission Salaries	\$ 129.32	10/15/2025	salaries	VFIS			
Pride	\$ 375.00	10/15/2025	Park Portables	Wayne Davis			
Pro Safety Innovations	\$ 150.50	10/15/2025	fire Ext Maint	Wex Bank (Shell)			
Southwest Planning Comm.	\$ 4,663.84	10/15/2025	Masterplan	Wyrick Co.			
Printing Systems	\$ 273.20	10/15/2025	Ballots	48th Street Metalworks	\$ 160.00	10/15/2025	signs FD
State of Michigan	\$ 880.03	10/17/2025	Qtrly State Taxes	TOTAL	\$ 10,070.81		
Straub, Seaman & Allen	\$ 1,850.48	10/15/2025	Legal Fees	CEMETERY FUND 209			
SW MI Assessing Service	\$ 2,000.00	10/15/2025	Assessing	Andrew Blankenship			
The Journal Era				David Cochran	\$ 1,555.00	10/15/2025	Mowing/burial
Today's Classroom				Four Winds Heating and Air			
Travelers Insurance				Honor Credit Union			
United States Postal Service				Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 33.18	10/15/2025	Electric
VFIS				Mark Ferry	\$ 700.00	10/15/2025	o/c burials
Victoria Chandler	\$ 885.50	10/15/2025	Dep Clerk Pay				
Wee Bee Dunn	\$ 2,700.00	10/15/2025	New ceiling Hall	TOTAL	\$ 2,288.18		
William Tucker	\$ 75.00	10/15/2025	Mthly Website	PERMIT FUND 549			
				BS&A	\$ 9,400.00	10/15/5025	Comm Del Module
				Caleb O'Toole			
				Ken Jewell	\$ 512.00	10/15/2025	Mech/Plumb Permits
				Ron Ketelhut			
				TOTAL	\$ 9,912.00		
TOTAL	\$ 30,018.71			PUBLIC WORKS 592			
ROAD FUND 204				Benton Charter Twp. Sanitation			
Berrien County Road Dept.	\$ 52,356.66	10/15/2025	road maint	Benton Charter Twp.			
				Miss Dig			
				Wightman & Associates			
TOTAL	\$ 52,356.66			TOTAL	\$ -		