

SODUS TOWNSHIP
TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
Subject to Amendment

4056 King Drive
Sodus, MI 49126
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Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Meeting called to order: by Supervisor Chandler at 7:03pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Board members present: Supervisor David Chandler, Clerk Cheryl Andres, Treasurer Nancy Hamilton, Trustee Ken Peters, Trustee Loyall Bennett

Board member absent: None

Presentations:

Jordan Smith, from Maner Costerisan, presented the Annual Audit summary for FY 2024-2025 to the Board.

Deputy Forsteri, from the Berrien County Sheriff's Department, presented the July 2025 Incident Report to the Board.

Tony Perkins, from Medic 1 updated the Board on what was happening at Medic 1.

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion made by Bennett, seconded by Chandler to approve the agenda with one addition to the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5:0

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion made by Bennett, seconded by Chandler to approved the minutes of the August 12, 2025 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion carried 5:0

Treasurer's Report: Accepted as read

Approval of the Bills:

General Fund 101: \$47,618.22

Road Fund 204: \$0.00

Fire Fund 206: \$2,993.59

Cemetery Fund 209: \$2,334.69

Permit Fund 549: \$762.00

Public Works 592: \$1,548.64

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

Public Comments: None

Actions Approved:

Motion made by Andres, seconded by Chandler to approve Clerk Andres getting information on a new credit card for the Township and the fire department from United Federal Credit Union. Motion carried 5:0

Motion made by Chandler, seconded by Bennett to approve new lighting for the storage building by Beaudoin

Electrical a cost not to exceed \$2500.00. Motion carried 5:0

Motion made by Chandler, seconded by Bennett to approve renewing for the fire department the training package courses provided by Benton Harbor City Public Safety. The cost is \$1800.00 annually.

Reports and Communications: Chief Steinke updated the Board on the Fire Department. The FD received its first recovery check from an insurance company. Stair Climb benefit is coming up. Working on second quote for Heating and Air for FD office and meeting rooms, Grain Bin rescue training coming up. \$7000.00 is quote for fixing the Def Tank on 1920.

Board and Staff Comments: Trying to schedule a meeting with Planning Commission for Masterplan. Annual meeting with Road Commission is coming up to go over next year's road maintenance.

Motion made by Chandler to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bennett and so declared by Supervisor Chandler at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried. 5:0

Cheryl Andres

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Sodus Township Clerk

MONTHLY VENDORS - September 2025

GENERAL FUND 101				FIRE FUND 206			
Vendor	Amount	Date paid	Detail	Vendor	Amount	Date paid	Detail
Aaron's Handyman Service, LLC				Active 911			
Andrew Blankenship				Advanced Auto			
Arnt Asphalt				Andrew Blankenship			
B.C. Clerk's Association				B.C. Fire Chief's Association			
Beaudoin Electric	\$ 254.76	9/10/2025	foyer light	Beaudoin Electric	\$ 454.38	9/10/2025	lights FD
Bennison's Lawn Care & Snow Plowing	\$ 1,142.00	9/10/2025	landscape Hall	Best One Fleet			
Berrien County Treasurer	\$ 360.00	9/10/2025	workcrew BCSD	BH Dept. of Public Safety			
Bing's Construction Co.	\$ 1,135.00	9/10/2025	roof repair Hall	Brown's Locksmith			
Board of Review				Culby's Landscape Supplies, LLC			
Board Salaries	\$ 4,948.07	9/10/2025	Salaries	Dinges Fire Company	\$ 1,906.35	9/10/2025	PPE fire dept
Cheryl Andres				EMC Insurance			
BS&A	\$ 9,613.00	9/10/2025	cloud conversion	Everett Steinke			
David Cochran	\$ 900.00	9/10/2025	Parks Mowing	Fire Department Salaries			
EFTPS	\$ 1,142.88	9/10/2025	Fed Qtly Taxes	Great Lakes Truck			
Doubleday Office Products	\$ 1,157.85	9/10/2025	ink cartridges	Honor Credit Union			
Election Workers				Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 161.91	9/10/2025	Electric
Glass Pro	\$ 295.00	9/10/2025	Replace broken window	James LaVanway			
				Keystone Coop, Inc.	\$ 68.84	9/10/2025	fuel FD
Honor Credit Union	\$ 558.40	9/10/2025	Credit Card	Lowes			
Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 618.78	9/10/2025	Electric	MES			
Jackie Seib				Michigan Fire & Safety			
Library				Michigan Gas Utilities	\$ 47.47	9/18/2025	Natural Gas Utilitiy
Karen Metz				North Breathing Air, LLC			
Karen Ott				Premier Safety			
Kim Rhoads				Sodus Firefighter Fund			
Maner Costerisan	\$ 6,000.00	9/10/2025	Annual audit	Spencer Mfg.			
Maria Gasca				Staples			
MEC				Summit Company			
Medic 1 Ambulance				Tele-Rad, Inc.			
MI Township Association				Todd Steinke			
Michigan Gas Utilities	\$ 85.74	9/18/2025	Natural Gas Utility	Travelers Insurance			
Nancy Hamilton				United States Postal Service	\$ 78.00	9/10/2025	PO Box
PC Services				VFIS			
Planning Commission Salaries				Wayne Davis			
Pride	\$ 375.00	9/10/2025	Park Portables	Wex Bank (Shell)	\$ 276.64	9/10/2025	Fuel
Republic Services	\$ 46.42	9/10/2025	trash pick up	Wyrick Co.			
Southwest Planning Comm.							
Spectrum Printers, Inc				TOTAL	\$ 2,993.59		
State of Michigan				CEMETERY FUND 209			
Straub, Seaman & Allen	\$ 1,320.00	9/10/2025	Legal Fees	Andrew Blankenship			
SW MI Assessing Service	\$ 2,000.00	9/10/2025	Assessing	David Cochran	\$ 1,932.20	9/10/2025	Mowing/foundations
The Journal Era	\$ 279.25	9/10/2025	publications				
Today's Classroom				Honor Credit Union			
Travelers Insurance				Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 32.49	9/10/2025	Electric
United States Postal Service				Mark Ferry			
VFIS				Reyes Tree Service LLC			
Victoria Chandler	\$ 471.07	9/10/2025	Dep Clerk Pay	TOTAL	\$ 1,964.69		
William Tucker	\$ 75.00	9/10/2025	Mthly Website	PERMIT FUND 549			
Wee Bee Dunn	\$ 14,840.00	9/10/2025	New Roof Hall	Four Winds Heating & Air	\$ 370.00	9/10/2025	Permit refund
				Caleb O'Toole			
				Ken Jewell			
				Ron Ketelhut	\$ 392.00	9/10/2025	Elec Permits
				TOTAL	\$ 762.00		
TOTAL	\$ 47,618.22			PUBLIC WORKS 592			
ROAD FUND 204				Benton Charter Twp. Sanitation	\$ 1,498.64	9/10/2025	Villas Santitation
Berrien County Road Dept.				Benton Charter Twp.			
				Miss Dig	\$ 50.00	9/10/2025	Waterline Marking
				Wightman & Associates			
TOTAL	\$ -			TOTAL	\$ 1,548.64		