

**SODUS TOWNSHIP**  
**TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**  
Subject to Amendment

4056 King Drive  
Sodus, MI 49126  
269.926.6285

**Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

Meeting called to order by Clerk Andres at 7:02 pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Board Members present:** Treasurer Terry McCain, Trustee Loyall Bennett, Trustee Ken Peter, Clerk Cheryl Andres

**Board Members absent:** Supervisor David Chandler

**Approval of the Agenda:**

**Motion** made by Andres, supported by Bennett to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4:0

**Approval of the Minutes:**

**Motion** made by Bennett, supported by Peters to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2024 meeting. Motion carried 4:0

**Treasurer Report:** Accepted as read.

**Approval of the Bills:**

**General Fund 101:** \$37,365.74 **Road Fund 204:** \$0.00 **Fire Fund 206:** \$6,479.98

**Cemetery Fund 209:** \$2,656.43 **Permits Fund 549:** \$1,154.73 **Public Works 592:** \$1,056.59

**Motion** made by Peters, supported by Bennett to pay the bills as presented with the addition of the attorney invoice for December 2024 for \$60.00. Motion carried. 4:0

**Public comments:** NONE

**Actions Approved:**

**Motion** made by Bennett, supported by Andres to approve a zoning overlay per MCL-Section 12504 for a special land use permit for Dominion/Big Bulldog Towing for impound lot off Pipestone Road for towed cars with one additional condition added and two correction/additions in the minutes presented from the Planning Commission. Roll call: McCain-Yes, Bennett-Yes, Peters- Yes, Andres- Yes. Motion carried. 4:0

**Resolution 2025-1** made by Andres, supported by Bennett to approve one meeting per month and the 2025 Township Board meeting dates. The meeting dates are on the website and posted outside the back door and in the building as well. Roll call: Andres-Yes, Peters-Yes, Bennett-Yes, McCain -Yes. Motion carried 4:0

**Resolution 2025-2** made by Andres, supported by Bennett to approve the IRS mileage reimbursement rate for 2025 at .70 cents per mile. Roll call: Bennett-yes, Peters-yes, McCain-yes, Andres-yes. Motion carried. 4:0

**Reports and Communications:** Fire Chief Everett Steinke updated the Board on the fire department. There was a request for a trailer for storing and hauling equipment plus purchasing four sets of turnout gear.

**Board and Staff Comments:**

Clerk Andres updated the Board on the pricing information she received from BS&A on payments and community development modules for the financial software. Also, a quote for mapping in the cemetery, reminder of FEMAGO audit and new earned sick pay act taking effect in February. Dates for budget workshops for FY 2025-26 as set for February 4, 2025 and February 18, 2025. Both at 6pm.

**Motion** made by Bennett to adjourn the meeting, supported by Peters to adjourn the meeting and so declared Clerk Andres at 8:13 pm. Motion carried. 4:0

*Cheryl Andres*  
Cheryl Andres- Sodus Township Clerk

# Regular Schedule of Township Board Meetings

Sodus Township  
4056 King Drive P.O. Box 176  
Sodus, MI 49126  
269-926-6285

The Sodus Township Board will meet on the following dates for the Year 2025. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will take place at the Sodus Township Hall, 4056 King Drive, Sodus, Michigan.

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

Tuesday, April 08, 2025

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Tuesday, July 08, 2025

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

Tuesday, September 09, 2025

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Tuesday, December 09, 2025

This notice is posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Public Act 267 of 1976, as amended, (MCL 41.72a(2)(3) and the American with Disabilities Act.

If any resident has a physical disability as defined in the American's with Disabilities Act, which may limit his or her participation in this meeting or hearing, please notify the Township Hall at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting or hearing so that reasonable accommodations may be made.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sodus Township Board by writing or calling the following:  
Cheryl Andres, Township Clerk, 4056 King Drive, PO Box 176, Sodus, MI 49126 PH:269-944-4844

Posted on: January 10, 2025

Signature of Township Clerk



# MONTHLY VENDORS - January 2025

GENERAL FUND 101				FIRE FUND 206			
Vendor	Amount	Date paid	Detail	Vendor	Amount	Date paid	Detail
Adents Landscape				Active 911			
Andrew Blankenship	\$ 170.00	1/15/2025	Snow plowing Dec	Advanced Auto			
Apex Software				Andrew Blankenship	\$ 170.00	1/15/2025	Snow plowing Dec
Berrien County	\$ 11,913.58	1/15/2025	Drains 2024	B.C. Fire Chief's Association			
B.C. Treasurer				Batteries & Bulbs			
B.C. Treasurer's Association				BH Dept. of Public Safety			
Best Way Disposal				Brown's Locksmith			
Big C Lumber				Culby's Landscape Supplies, LLC			
Board of Review	\$ 120.00	1/15/2025	BOR Mtg	Darley & Co., W.S.			
Board Salaries	\$ 4,757.75	1/15/2025	Bd Salaries	Dinges Fire Company	\$ 291.67	1/15/2025	Equip repair jaws
BS&A Software				EMC Insurance			
Cheryl Andres	\$ 201.22	1/15/2025	mileage/ph reimb	Everett Steinke	\$ 262.86	1/15/2025	mileage/ph reimb
David Bevier				Fire Department Salaries	\$ 5,181.00	1/15/2025	Salaries qtrly
David Chandler	\$ 329.19	1/15/2025	mileage/ph reimb	Great Lakes Truck			
David Cochran				Hart Well Drilling			
Eau Claire Fruit Exchange				Honor Credit Union			
EFTPS	\$ 1,431.83	1/10/2025	Federal Qrtly Taxes	Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 149.95	1/15/2025	Electric
Election Source				James LaVanway			
Election Workers				Keystone Coop, Inc.			
Gloria Stansberry				Lowes			
Honor Credit Union	\$ 449.06	1/15/2025	Credit Card	Michigan Fire & Safety			
Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 528.76	1/15/2025	Electric	Michigan Gas Utilities	\$ 424.50	1/15/2025	Natural gas FD
Jennifer Dewey	\$ 100.00	1/15/2025	Custodial	Praxair			
Jackie Seib				Premier Safety			
Janet LaVerne Wilhite				Sodus Firefighter Fund			
Karen Metz				Spencer Mfg.			
Karen Ott				Staples			
Kim Rhoads				Summit Company			
Maner Costerisan				Tele-Rad, Inc.			
Michigan Gas Utilities	\$ 245.01	1/15/2025	Natural gas hall/storage	Todd Steinke			
Nancy O'Rourke				Travelers Insurance			
Planning Commission Salaries	\$ 484.66	1/15/2025	Salaries	United States Postal Service			
Pride				VFIS			
Richard Seib				Wayne Davis			
Rod Gillenwater				West Shore Fire Inc.			
Southwest Planning Comm.	\$ 12,272.81	1/15/2025	Masterplan update	Wex Bank (Citgo)			
State of Michigan	\$ 921.87	1/10/2025	Qtrly state taxes	Wyrick Co.			
Straub, Seaman & Allen	\$ 180.00	1/15/2025	Legal Fees	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,479.98</b>		
SW MI Assessing Service	\$ 2,000.00	1/15/2025	Assessing	<b>CEMETERY FUND 209</b>			
Terry McCain				American Legion			
The Journal Era	\$ 633.00	1/15/2025	Publishing Legal Notices	Andrew Blankenship	\$ 255.00	1/15/2025	snow plow Dec
Tina Wall				David Cochran			
United States Postal Service				EMC Insurance			
VFIS				Honor Credit Union			
Victoria Chandler	\$ 252.00	1/15/2025	Dep Clerk Pay	Indiana Michigan Power	\$ 26.43	1/15/2025	Electric
William Tucker	\$ 75.00	1/15/2025	Website maint fee	Reyes Tree Service LLC	\$ 2,375.00	1/15/2025	Tree Removal
ZBA Salaries	\$ 300.00	1/15/2025	Salaries	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,656.43</b>		
				<b>PERMIT FUND 549</b>			
				Caleb O'Toole			
				Ken Jewell	\$ 268.00	1/15/2025	Mech/Plumb Permits
				Ron Ketelhut	\$ 886.73	1/15/2025	Elec Permits/training
				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,154.73</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 37,365.74</b>			<b>PUBLIC WORKS 592</b>			
<b>ROAD FUND 204</b>				Benton Charter Twp. Sanitation			
Berrien County Road Dept.				Benton Charter Twp.			
				Miss Dig	\$ 991.59	1/15/2025	Annual Member. Fee
				Wightman & Associates	\$ 65.00	1/15/2025	Miss Dig markings
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,056.59</b>		