Township of Atlas
Genesee County • Michigan

TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING

7386 S. GALE RD. GRAND BLANC, MI
MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2026 AT 5:30 PM

MINUTES

IN PERSON MEETING

To Participate: Join Zoom Meeting by Videoconference or Telephone:
LOGIN OR DIAL: 1 312 626 6799 US
MEETING ID: 747 569 7662
PASSCODE: 007386

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT
Toni A. Yaklin
Pat Major
Tracy Butcher
Jim Busch

ABSENT
Ann Marie Moore - excused

STAFF PRESENT

Lexi Christner, Recording Secretary

Ed Klimek, Fire Chief

David Lattie, Township Attorney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to amend the agenda to add 3 items; 21.a. adopt resolution 26-29 hire Logan Machuk to the Atlas Fire Department, 21.b. Approve a site layout for a proposed fire station on the property next door for $2,000, and 21.c. adopt resolution 26-30, maintenance/repair of Kipp vaccaro branch of drain #1085.

Motion made by Yaklin, Seconded by Butcher.
Voting Yea: Yaklin, Major, Butcher, Busch

Motion carries 4-0

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approval of July 20, 2026 Regular Township Meeting Minutes.**
2. **Approval of July 27, 2026 Special Township Meeting Minutes.**
3. **Disbursements**
4. **Building Report/Code Enforcement Report**
5. **Fire Department Report**
6. **Police Department Report**
7. **Assessor's Report**
8. **Budget Report**
9. **FANG Report**
10. **911 Director's Report**

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Voting Yea: Yaklin, Major, Butcher, Busch

Motion carries 4-0

TREASURER'S REPORT

11. **Planning Commission Report**

Last month continued to work on the zoning ordinance amendments for non-residential districts. There is a meeting for this Wednesday, August 19 at 7pm.

12. **Zoning Board of Appeals Report**

No report was given.

TREASURER'S REPORT

13. **Treasurer's Report**

Tabled.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. **Web site ADA compliance discussion**

Working with Civic Plus on a bundle with website and meeting modules.

15. **AI Policy consideration**

Continuing to research samples and how to accommodate AI within the office.

16. **Professional Engineering Services quote for the Goodrich Public Library Ramp/Foundation and Wall**

After discussion of the quote the board believes in house bidding is the best option.

Motion to approve the Wade Trim engineering quote minus task 4, for the Goodrich Public Library Ramp/Foundation and Wall for $20,950.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Roll Call Voting: Butcher yes, Major yes, Yaklin yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

NEW BUSINESS

17. **Amend Ordinance 25-03, Short Term Rentals to remove "non" under the Exceptions, should read "owner-occupied dwellings".**

Motion to amend Ordinance 25-03, Short Term Rentals to remove "non" under the Exceptions, should read "owner-occupied dwellings".

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Roll Call Voting: Major yes, Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

18. **Adopt Resolution No. 26-26, Support Michigan Township Participating Plan Grant Application**

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 26-26, Support Michigan Township Participating Plan Grant Application.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Roll Call Voting: Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Major yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

19. **Adopt Resolution No. 26-27, Blake Bond Promotion to Captain**

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 26-27, Blake Bond Promotion to Captain.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Roll Call Voting: Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Major yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

20. **Resolution No. 26-28, Hire Blake Clements to the Atlas Fire Department.**

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 26-28, Hire Blake Clements to the Atlas Fire Department.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Roll Call Voting: Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Major yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

21. Approve David Lattie's legal invoice dated August 12, 2026 on case Ferrell vs. Atlas Township for a cost of $1,125.00.

Motion to approve David Lattie's legal invoice dated August 12, 2026 on case Ferrell vs. Atlas Township for a cost of $1,125.00.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Voting Yea: Major yes, Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

21.a. Adopt resolution 26-29 hire Logan Machuk to the Atlas Fire Department.

Motion to adopt resolution 26-29 hire Logan Machuk to the Atlas Fire Department.

Motion made by Yaklin, Seconded by Butcher.
Roll Call Voting: Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Major yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

21.b. Approve a site layout for a proposed fire station on the property next door for $2,000.

Motion to approve a site layout for a proposed fire station on the property next door for $2,000.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Roll Call Voting: Butcher yes, Yaklin yes, Major yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

21.c. Adopt resolution 26-30, maintenance/repair of Kipp vaccaro branch of drain #1085.

Motion to adopt resolution 26-30, maintenance/repair of Kipp vaccaro branch of drain #1085.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Roll Call Voting: Major yes, Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

FUTURE BOARD PROJECTS

22. Township Parking Lot Project Professional Engineering Quote.

Motion to approve the Wade Trim quote for the Township parking lot project professional engineering minus task 6 & 8 for a cost of $30,300.

Motion made by Butcher, Seconded by Yaklin.
Voting Yea: Yaklin yes, Butcher yes, Major yes, Busch yes

Motion carries 4-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Becky Ferrell, 5470 Irish Rd. - Concern over flock cameras, the data collected, storage, who manages, who has access, who approved, and the time frame of stored data.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

nothing to add.

BOARD COMMENTS

Yaklin - We had a good turnout for the Primary Election, 37% voted. Now we are gearing up for the November General Election.

Butcher - Was able to watch the board of canvassers complete the certification for the primary election. The process is very interesting and beneficial.

Busch - Still working with the road commission on the Baldwin/Gale Rd fire well property. Township needs to discuss future large purchases for the fire department, the current operating will not support the upcoming truck purchases. Sliver Foxes is gearing up to start events soon. We were able to increase our budget with the county and they are looking for an event coordinator to help. This position will be funded through the allowed budget. The road commission is working with a new system on dirt roads called dust pod. The road would be tilled up and mixes the substance with the road and becomes a hard surfaces like concrete. They are beginning to test roads in the county. Flock cameras are not done by the township. The Genesee County Sheriffs and the board of commissioners have the agreement. The township has never entered into an agreement for flock cameras.

Major - Suggests the Silver Foxes should decide on how they would like to spend the money and who would be that coordinator. The police use flock cameras as a tool to help solve cases.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:29pm.

Motion made by Yaklin, Seconded by Butcher.
Voting Yea: Yaklin, Major, Butcher, Busch

Motion carries 4-0

Regarding Public Comments Excerpts from Atlas Township Board of Trustee's Public Comment Conduct Policy:
1) Each person addressing the board is asked to voluntarily state their name and address for the record.
2) Two (2) minutes will be allowed for an individual addressing the board. Each individual present will be allowed an opportunity to address the board.
3) Please refrain from being redundant.
4) All comments are to be directed to the chair.

PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED PERSONS NEEDING ASSISTANCE OR AID AT ANY PUBLIC MEETING OR PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD CONTACT THE ATLAS TOWNSHIP CLERK AT 810-636-2548 DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS, NOT LESS THAN SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOURS PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC MEETING OR PUBLIC HEARING.

Recording Secretary: Lexi Christner, MiPMC

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Toni A. Yaklin, the duly elected, qualified and acting clerk of the Township of Atlas, Genesee County, Michigan do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and accurate accounting of the actions of the Atlas Township Board of Trustee's during the regular meeting held on August 17, 2026. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Toni A. Yaklin 9/29/26

Toni A. Yaklin Date
Atlas Township Clerk