



COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

December 11, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Township Hall | Fowlerville, Michigan

The Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 72 hour advance notice by contacting Barb Fear, Township Clerk, by email: bfearclerk@gmail.com, phone: (517) 546-0655, or mail: 10518 N Antcliff Rd Fowlerville MI 48836.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

AGENDA APPROVAL

CONSENT AGENDA

- [1.](#) Minutes 11-13-2025
- [2.](#) Treasurer's Report
- [3.](#) Expenditures

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road Commission

Howell Fire Authority

Hall

Cemetery

Parks and Recreation

NEW BUSINESS

- [4.](#) Show Cause Hearing- 8016 Hemingway
- [5.](#) LESA Summer Tax Collection Agreement
- [6.](#) Fowlerville Schools Summer Tax Agreement
- [7.](#) Howell Schools Summer Tax Collection Agreement
- [8.](#) Consumers Energy Franchise Agreement
- [9.](#) Poverty Exemption Guidelines
- [10.](#) 2026 Meeting Schedule
- [11.](#) Fowlerville Senior Center Donation
- [12.](#) Moratorium Ordinance
- [13.](#) Non-Disclosure Agreement Policy

REPORTS

Zoning Board of Appeals

Planning Commission

Violations and Complaints

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE - JANUARY 8, 2026

ADJOURN



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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Barb Fear, Phil Charette, Mark Fosdick, Tami Bock, Mark Torigian

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion made by Charette, seconded by Torigian, to approve the agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Fear, Charette, Fosdick, Bock, Torigian, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes 10-9-2025
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Expenditures

Motion made by Torigian, seconded by Charette, to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Fear, Charette, Fosdick, Bock, Torigian, motion carried.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road Commission

No report

Howell Fire Authority

No report

Hall

Verbal report given

Cemetery

No report

Parks and Recreation

Verbal report given

NEW BUSINESS

4. Benefits

Motion made by Torigian, seconded by Fear, to offer a benefits plan from Colonial Life to employees at no cost to the Township. Voting Yea: Fear, Charette, Fosdick, Bock, Torigian, motion carried.

5. ZBA Appointments

Motion made by Torigian, seconded by Bock, to appoint David Royer to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3-year term ending 08/2028. Voting Yea: Fear, Charette, Fosdick, Bock, Torigian, motion carried.

Motion made by Torigian, seconded by Charette, to appoint James Svoboda to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate for a 3-year term ending 08/2028. Voting Yea: Fear, Charette, Fosdick, Bock, Torigian, motion carried.

6. Board of Review Appointments

Motion made by Torigian, seconded by Charette, to appoint James McCutcheon as an alternate to the Board of Review. In the event he is unable to serve, Jonathan Black will assume the duties. Voting Yea: Fear, Charette, Fosdick, Bock, Torigian, motion carried.

7. Master Plan Update

Update given. Leave on agenda.

REPORTS

Zoning Board of Appeals

Verbal report given.

Planning Commission

Verbal report given.

Violations and Complaints

Verbal report given.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Public comment received.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE - DECEMBER 11, 2025

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.

TAMI BOCK			
COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP TREASURER			
10518 ANTCLIFF ROAD			
FOWLerville MI 48836			
517-546-0655			
			Nov 25
RECEIPTS			
	PARK FEES		\$ 200.00
	BURIAL SVC		\$ 2,284.00
	INTEREST		\$ 4.78
	TRASH PICK UP		\$ 950.00
	BARN and Hall RENTAL		\$ 200.00
	PLOTS SALES		\$ 150.00
	OTHER REV		\$ 193.92
	LAND USE		\$ 175.00
	FRANCHISE FEES		\$ 1,443.83
	REVENUE SHARING		\$ 63,949.00
	RECEIPTS TOTAL		\$ 69,550.53
	CASH ACCOUNT ENDING BALANCE		\$ 303,143.61
	CHOICEONE BANK		\$ 657,467.64
	GENERAL FUND BALANCE		\$ 960,611.25
	TRUST AND AGENCY BALANCE		\$ 7,050.00
	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND		\$ 238,419.86
	ROAD FUND ENDING BALANCE		\$ 1,508.95
	ARPA FUND		\$ 75,749.69

EXPENDITURES - DECEMBER 2025			
LCMCA		\$ 20.00	
GRANGER		\$ 25,665.00	
CONSUMERS		\$ 607.65	
LIVINGSTON COUNTY PRESS		\$ 96.88	
FOSTER SWIFT		\$ 1,384.00	
BLACK ROCK TECHNOLOGIES		\$ 541.00	
CHASE BANK		\$ 1,445.13	
IVSCOMM		\$ 125.00	
K&S ENGINEERS		\$ 2,337.00	
SPRUNGTOWN OUTDOOR SERVICES		\$ 185.00	
COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP		\$ 809.44	
LIV CTY SHERIFF		\$ 2,240.00	
A KOZACK		\$ 98.00	
S BRONSBURG		\$ 135.80	
T BOCK		\$ 12.60	
J BLACK		\$ 22.78	
SUB TOTAL		\$ 35,725.28	
T BOCK		\$ 2,001.60	
A KOZACK		\$ 203.17	
S BRONSBURG		\$ 888.04	
K THURNER			\$ 116.82
K CARMACK		\$ 79.28	
C BEACH		\$ 101.58	
J BUTTERMORE		\$ 105.72	
P CHARETTE		\$ 312.93	
M CIGAN		\$ 83.11	
K ENGEL		\$ 79.28	
S NEWTON		\$ 79.29	
M TORIGIAN		\$ 175.46	
C GARBER		\$ 2,402.87	
A HODGE		\$ 48.45	
M FOSDICK		\$ 1,816.05	
J BLACK		\$ 286.33	
L DAVENPORT		\$ 138.52	
B FEAR		\$ 2,291.45	
T LITZ		\$ 346.96	
MERS		\$ 1,763.68	
W/H		\$ 3,584.90	
BENEPAY		\$ 301.65	
SUB TOTAL		\$ 17,090.32	
TOTAL GENERAL FND		\$ 52,815.60	
LIV CTY ROAD COMM		\$ 67,131.35	

	ROAD FUND		\$ 67,131.35	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 119,946.95	

To: Cohoctah Twp Board and Planning Committee

Subject: Unauthorized land use

Where: 8016 Hemingway, Howell, MI, 48855

Date: December 9, 2025

A complaint was reported at the July 11th Cohoctah Twp Board meeting from the neighbor (7970 Hemingway) claiming people were living in an RV on vacant land at 8016 Hemingway. They are concerned about septic waste.

Upon my July 17th, 2024, investigation of 8016 Hemingway, I also noticed an RV trailer, multiple accessory buildings, a newer well, a large, enclosed trailer, and blight (trash/stuff) on the property.

I met a lady (Leann) who claimed to be the stepdaughter of the owner(s). She assured me that nobody was living in the RV, only staying there when they came out on the weekend to work on the property. No permits were applied for or issued to allow any of these.

I informed her that she would need permits to allow the RV on the property and that the accessory buildings would have to be removed, except the "old" barn (grandfathered).

Jerome Archackie and Patti Calisti are the property owners of 8016 Hemingway, Howell, MI, 48855, according to our records.

July 23, 2024, Patti Calisti, property owner of 8016 Hemingway, Howell, MI, 48855, called me asking me what the concerns were about. I returned her call on July 24, 2024, explaining the violations, and she assured me that they were cleaning out the accessory buildings, getting ready for a yard sale to get rid of much of their stuff. They were also going to move the RV to their home on Lake Chemung. She also mentioned an interest in building a home on the property.

On September 5, 2024, I stopped by the neighbor who submitted the complaint to follow up on the progress that was made of which was minimal, if anything.

On September 6, 2024, I issued a written warning for the Accessory buildings that remained.

On September 10, 2024, Patti and Jerome called regarding the notice I sent. They were concerned about their timeline to fix the violations. I returned their call on September 11, 2024, stating the Twp position, but agreed to work with them on the timeline if progress was being made.

On September 16, 2024, Patti left a message that she wanted to talk about the property situation.

On September 19, 2024, I talked with Patti, offering suggestions to help their progress.

On October 1, 2024, Patti called, wanting me to inspect their progress on the property.

On October 5, 2024, I inspected the property and saw progress regarding blight (trash/stuff), but the other concerns remained.

On Aug 18, 2025, I did a follow-up inspection on the property and saw the enclosed trailer and RV were removed; however, the accessory buildings were still there. A second written warning was issued.

On September 11, 2025, Patti called me to say that they had sold the property.

On December 4, 2025, a Show-Cause Hearing notice for December 11, 2025, was issued along with copies of the violations.

At the time of writing this letter, Patti or Jerome did not reach out to me.

Respectfully,

Steven Bronsberg
Zoning Administrator, Cohoctah Twp

SUMMER TAX COLLECTION AGREEMENT

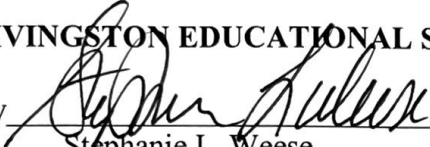
The Township of Cohoctah with offices located at 10518 Antcliff Rd., Fowlerville, Michigan (the "township") pursuant to 1976 PA 451, as amended, for the purposes of providing for the collection by the Township of a summer levy of Livingston Educational Service Agency, Michigan (the "Agency") property taxes for the year 2026 and hereafter as provided below:

The Agency and the Township agree as follows:

1. The Township agrees to collect 100% of the total school millage in the summer as certified by the Agency for levy on all taxable property in addition to and not within the K-12 school district summer tax collection, including principal residence and other exempt property not subject to the 18 mill levy within the Fowlerville Community Schools and Howell Public Schools.
2. All interest and penalties, other than collection fees, that are imposed prior to the date the taxes are returned delinquent and that are attributable to school taxes, shall belong to the Agency.
3. The Agency agrees to pay the Township costs of assessment and collection at \$4.00 per parcel which represents reasonable expenses incurred by the Township in assessing and collecting Agency taxes, to the extent that the expenses are in addition to the expenses of assessing and collecting other taxes at the same time.
4. The Agency shall certify to the Township Treasurer the school millage to be levied on property for summer collection to the Township via a signed L-4029 within 3 weeks of Livingston County Equalization delivering their tax roll information to the Agency, or by June 15, whichever is earlier.
5. The Township Treasurer shall account for and deliver summer school tax collections to the Agency within ten (10) business days from the 1st and 15th of each month via electronic transfer, if and when possible.
6. In the event that state law is amended necessitating changes to this Agreement, the parties agree to negotiate changes to the Agreement in good faith to conform the Agreement to state law. Collection of summer taxes and payment for said collection shall not be disrupted or delayed due to the negotiation of or revision to this Agreement.
7. By execution of this Agreement, both parties certify and represent that the Agreement is authorized by the laws of the State of Michigan, that the individuals responsible for collecting the Agency taxes are and will follow all laws pertaining to their duties and responsibilities as a tax collecting agent, and that the signors are authorized by their respective governing bodies to execute this Agreement.
8. This Agreement is effective on the date of its execution and shall expire twelve months from the effective date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the respective dates indicated below.

LIVINGSTON EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY, MICHIGAN

By  _____
Stephanie L. Weese

Its: Deputy Superintendent for Administrative Services

Dated: November 20, 2025

TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH: _____

By _____

Its _____

Dated _____

ANNUAL SUMMER TAX RESOLUTION

Livingston Educational Service Agency

A regular meeting of the Board of Education (the "Board") was held in the Livingston Educational Service Agency Education Center on the 12th day of November, 2025, at six o'clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m., by President Loy

Present: Cortez, Fryer, Loy, Michniewicz

Absent: Marcella - O'Leary

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Michniewicz and supported by Member Fryer

WHEREAS:

1. This Board of Education previously adopted a resolution to impose a summer property tax levy to collect all of school property taxes, including debt services, upon property located within the school district and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by this Board of Education; and

2. The Revised School Code, as amended, requires formal action of the Board of Education prior to January 1 every year to continue the summer tax levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This Board of Education, pursuant to the Revised School Code, as amended, hereby invokes for 2026 its previously adopted ongoing resolution imposing a summer tax levy of all of school property taxes, including debt service, and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by this Board of Education, and requests each city and/or township in which this Agency is located (and in which a local school district or city is concurrently imposing a summer tax levy) to collect those summer taxes.

2. The Superintendent, school business official, or his/her designee, is authorized and directed to forward to the governing body of each city and/or township in which this Agency is located (and in which a local school district or city is concurrently imposing a summer tax levy) a copy of this Board's resolution imposing a summer property tax levy on an ongoing basis and a copy of this resolution requesting that each city and/or township agree to collect the summer tax levy for 2026. Said resolutions and the request to collect the summer tax levy shall be forwarded so that they are received by the appropriate governing bodies before January 1, 2026.

3. The Superintendent, school business official, or his/her designee, is authorized and directed to negotiate on behalf of this Agency with the governing body of each city and/or township in which the Agency is located for the reasonable expenses for collection of the Agency's summer tax levy that the city and/or township may bill under MCL 380.1611 or MCL 380.1612.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members *Cortez, Fryer, Loy, Michniewicz*

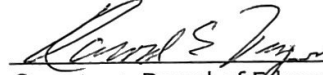
Nays: Members

Absent: Marcella-O'Leary

Resolution declared adopted.


Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of the Livingston Educational Service Agency, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of Education at a regular meeting held on November 12, 2025, the original of which is part of the Board's minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the "Open Meetings Act" (1976 PA 267, as amended).


Secretary, Board of Education

**AGREEMENT FOR COLLECTION OF
SUMMER SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES**

AGREEMENT made this 11th day of November 2025 by and between Fowlerville Community Schools, with offices located at 7677 Sharpe Road, Suite A, Fowlerville, MI 48836 (hereinafter "School District") and, Cohoctah Township, with offices located at 10518 Antcliff, Fowlerville, MI, 48836 (hereinafter "Township"), pursuant to 1976 PA 451, as amended, for the purposes of providing for the collection by the Township of a Summer Levy of School District property taxes for the year 2026.

The parties agree as follows:

1. The Township agrees to collect 100% of the total school non-homestead property taxes as certified by the School District for levy on July 1, 2026 on property located within the Township. Interest earned on said taxes will be retained by the township.
2. The School District agrees to pay Township costs of assessment and collection as follows:

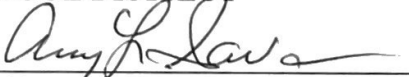
\$4.00 per parcel

It is understood that the tax rate as spread by the Township would also reflect the sum of 100% of the taxes of the Livingston Educational Service Agency and that the \$4.00 per parcel fee will cover the collection for the Livingston Educational Service Agency, also.

3. No later than June 14, 2026, the School District shall certify to the Township Supervisor the school millage to be levied on property for summer collection in 2026.
4. The Township Treasurer shall account for and deliver summer school tax collections as follows:
 - a. Summer Tax collections shall be paid to the School District within ten (10) business days from the 1st and 15th of each month.

Signature Authorized by Board of Education
Resolution of November 11, 2025.

SCHOOL DISTRICT



President



Secretary

Signature Authorized by Board of Trustees
Resolution of _____.
(MM/DD/YYYY)

TOWNSHIP

(Name/Title)

(Name/Title)

Annual Summer Tax Resolution

Fowlerville Community Schools (the "District")

A regular meeting of the board of education of the District (the "Board") was held in the Fowlerville Junior High School Auditorium, within the boundaries of the District, on the 14th day of October, 2025, at 7:00 o'clock in the p.m. (the "Meeting").

The Meeting was called to order by Amy Sova, President.

Present: Members Charron, DeVries, Dombrowski, Hinton & Sova
Absent: Members Belcher, Redinger

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Hinton and supported by Member Charron:

WHEREAS, this Board previously adopted a resolution to impose a summer tax levy to collect 100% of annual school property taxes, including debt service, upon property located within the District and continuing from year-to-year until specifically revoked by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Pursuant to the Revised School Code, MCL 380.1 et seq., the Board invokes for 2026 its previously-adopted ongoing resolution imposing a summer tax levy of 100% of annual school property taxes, including debt service, upon property located within the District and continuing from year-to-year until specifically revoked by the Board and requests that each city and/or township in which the District is located collect those summer taxes.
2. The Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to forward to the governing body of each city and/or township in which the District is located a copy of this Board's resolution imposing a summer property tax levy on an ongoing basis and a copy of this resolution requesting that each such city and/or township agree to collect the summer tax levy for 2026 in the amount specified in this resolution. Such forwarding of the resolutions and the request to collect the summer tax levy shall be performed so that they are received by the appropriate governing bodies on or before December 31, 2025.
3. Pursuant to and in accordance with Revised School Code Section 1613(1), the Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to negotiate on behalf of the District with the governing body of each city and/or township in which the District is located for the reasonable expenses for collection of the District's summer tax levy that the city and/or township may bill under Revised School Code Sections 1611 or 1612. Any such proposed agreement shall be brought before this Board for its approval or disapproval.
4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

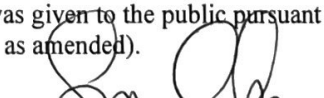
Ayes: Members Charron, DeVries, Dombrowski, Hinton & Sova
Nays: Members None

Resolution declared adopted.



Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Fowlerville Comm. Schools, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board at the Meeting, the original of which is part of the Board's minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the Meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act (Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended).


Secretary, Board of Education

AGREEMENT FOR COLLECTION OF SUMMER SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES

AGREEMENT made this _____ day of _____, 20____ by and between Howell Public Schools, with offices located at 411 N. Highlander Way, Howell, MI 48843 (hereinafter "School District") and Cohoctah Township with offices located at 10518 Antcliff Road Fowlerville, MI 48836 (hereinafter "Township"), pursuant to 1976 PA 451, as amended, for the purposes of providing for the collection by the Township of a Summer levy of School District property taxes for the year 2026.

The parties agree as follows:

1. The Township agrees to collect 100% of the total school non-homestead property taxes and 50% of the school debt property taxes as certified by the School District for levy on July 1, 2026 on property located within the Township. Interest earned on said taxes will be retained by the township.
2. The School District agrees to pay Township costs of assessment and collection as follows:

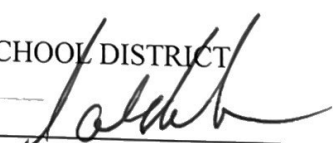
\$ 4.00 per parcel

It is understood that the tax rate as spread by the Township would also reflect the sum of 100% of the taxes of the Livingston Education Service Agency.

3. No later than June 15, 2026 the School District shall certify to the Township Supervisor the school millage to be levied on property for summer collection in 2026.
4. The Township Treasurer shall account for and deliver summer school tax collections as follows:
 - a. Summer Tax collections shall be paid to the School District within ten (10) business days from the 1st and 15th of each month. At your discretion, you may elect to discontinue summer tax disbursements to Howell Public Schools in November, December, January, and March.

Signature authorized by Board
of Education Resolution of
_____ (date)

SCHOOL DISTRICT



President



Secretary

Signature authorized by Board
of Trustees Resolution of
_____ (date)

TOWNSHIP

Supervisor

Clerk

ANNUAL SUMMER TAX RESOLUTION

Howell Public Schools

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Howell Public Schools (the "District") was held in the Administration Building Edinburgh Room on the 10th day of November, 2025, at 5:30 o'clock p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 o'clock, p.m. by Member Tarara, President.

Present: Members Tarara, Pasini, Conn, Bedford, Dault, Zurek

Absent: Members Marhofer

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Bedford and supported by Member Pasini.

WHEREAS:

1. This Board of Education previously adopted a resolution to impose a summer property tax levy to collect all of the non-homestead school property taxes, and one-half debt service, upon property located within the school district and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by this Board of Education; and

2. The Revised School Code, as amended, requires formal action of the Board of Education every year to continue the summer tax levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This Board of Education, pursuant to the Revised School Code, as amended, hereby invokes for 2026 its previously adopted ongoing resolution imposing a summer tax levy of all the non-homestead school property taxes, and one-half debt service, and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by this Board of Education, and requests each city and/or township in which this district is located (and in which a local school district or city is concurrently imposing a summer tax levy*) to collect those summer taxes.

2. The Superintendent, school business official, or his/her designee, is authorized and directed to forward to the governing body of each city and/or township in which this district is located (and in which a local school district or city is concurrently imposing a summer tax levy*) a copy of this Board's resolution imposing a summer property tax levy on an ongoing basis and a copy of this resolution requesting that each such city and/or township agree to collect the summer tax levy for 2026 in the amount specified in this resolution. Said resolutions and the request to collect the 2026 summer tax levy shall be forwarded so that they are received by the appropriate governing bodies.

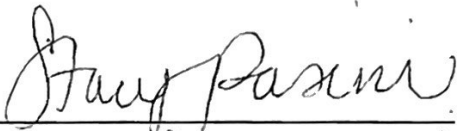
3. The Superintendent, school business official, or his/her designee, is authorized and directed to negotiate on behalf of this District with the governing body of each city and/or township in which the District is located for the reasonable expenses for collection of the District's summer tax levy that the city and/or township may bill under MCL 380.1611 or MSL 380.1612. Any such proposed agreement shall be brought before this Board of Education for its approval or disapproval.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members Tarara, Pasini, Conn, Bedford, Dault, Zurek

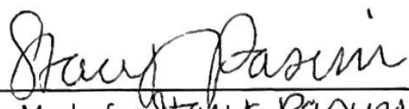
Nays: Members n/a

Resolution declared adopted.



Meg Marhofer *Stacy Pasini*
Secretary, Board of Education
VP

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Howell Public Schools, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of Education at a regular meeting held on the 10th day of November, 2025, the original of which is part of the Board's minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provision of the "Open Meetings Act" (1976 PA 267, as amended).



Meg Marhofer *Stacy Pasini*
Secretary, Board of Education
VP

*To be used only by ISDs at their discretion.

Possible Franchise Enactment Schedule
REVOCABLE GAS FRANCHISE
TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

First Meeting

Meeting of Township Board

Franchise Ordinance passed

Within 30 days

Publish complete franchise ordinance (in full)

ORDINANCE NO. _____

CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY GAS FRANCHISE ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE, granting to CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the right and authority to lay, maintain and commercially operate gas lines and facilities including but not limited to mains, pipes, services and valves on, under, along, and across public places including but not limited to highways, streets, alleys, bridges, and waterways, and to conduct a local gas business in the TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, for a period of thirty years.

THE TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. GRANT and TERM. The TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, hereby grants to Consumers Energy Company, its successors and assigns, hereinafter called "Consumers" the right and authority to lay, maintain and commercially operate gas lines and facilities including but not limited to mains, pipes, services and valves on, under, along, and across public places including but not limited to highways, streets, alleys, bridges, and waterways, and to conduct a local gas business in the TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, for a period of thirty years.

SECTION 2. CONDITIONS. No public place used by Consumers shall be obstructed longer than necessary during construction or repair, and shall be restored to the same order and condition as when work was commenced. All of Consumers' gas lines and related facilities shall be placed as not to unnecessarily interfere with the public's use of public places. Consumers shall have the right to trim or remove trees if necessary in the conducting of such business.

SECTION 3. HOLD HARMLESS. Consumers shall save the Township free and harmless from all loss, costs and expense to which it may be subject by reason of the negligent construction and maintenance of the lines and related facilities hereby authorized. In case any action is commenced against the Township on account of the permission herein given, Consumers shall, upon notice, defend the Township and its representatives and hold them harmless from all loss, costs and damage arising out of such negligent construction and maintenance.

SECTION 4. EXTENSIONS. Consumers shall construct and extend its gas distribution system within said Township, and shall furnish gas service to applicants residing therein in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 5. FRANCHISE NOT EXCLUSIVE. The rights, power and authority herein granted, are not exclusive.

SECTION 6. RATES and CONDITIONS. Consumers shall be entitled to provide gas service to the inhabitants of the Township at the rates and pursuant to the conditions as approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission. Such rates and conditions shall be subject to review and change upon petition to the Michigan Public Service Commission.

SECTION 7. REVOCATION. The franchise granted by this ordinance is subject to revocation upon sixty (60) days written notice by either party. Upon revocation this ordinance shall be considered repealed and of no effect past, present or future.

SECTION 8. MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JURISDICTION. Consumers remains subject to the reasonable rules and regulations of the Michigan Public Service Commission applicable to gas service in the Township and those rules and regulations preempt any term of any ordinance of the Township to the contrary.

SECTION 9. VACATION OR RELOCATION. The Township may require the Grantee to vacate or relocate any portion of Grantee's facilities at the Grantee's expense if such vacation or relocation is necessary to secure the public health and welfare or is otherwise required by the Township in the exercise of a governmental function.

SECTION 10. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS. Grantee shall comply with all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations regarding the installation, construction, ownership or use of its facilities, whether federal, state, or local.

SECTION 11. REPEALER. This ordinance, when enacted, shall repeal and supersede the provisions of any previous Consumers' gas franchise ordinance adopted by the Township including any amendments.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect on _____.

We certify that the foregoing Franchise Ordinance was duly enacted by the Township Board of the TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

Mark Fosdick, Township Supervisor

Attest:

I, _____, Clerk of the TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the ordinance granting Consumers Energy Company, a gas franchise, was properly adopted by the Township Board of the TOWNSHIP OF COHOCTAH, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, and that all proceedings were regular and in accordance with all legal requirements.

Barb Fear, Township Clerk

Dated: _____, 20__
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2026 RESOLUTION FOR POVERTY EXEMPTION

WHEREAS, the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions is required of the City Council (Township Board); and **WHEREAS**, the principal residence of persons, who the Supervisor/Assessor and Board of Review determines by reason of poverty to be unable to contribute to the public charge, is eligible for exemption in whole or in part from taxation under Public Act 390 of 1994 (MCL 211.7u); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to PA 390 of 1994, the City/Township of Cohoctah, Livingston County adopts the following guidelines for the Board of Review to implement. The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year;

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

- 1) Be an owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 2) File a claim with the supervisor/assessor or Board of Review, accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year.
- 3) File a claim reporting that the combined assets of all persons do not exceed the current guidelines. Assets include but are not limited to, real estate other than the principal residence, personal property, motor vehicles, recreational vehicles and equipment, certificates of deposit, savings accounts, checking accounts, stocks, bonds, life insurance, retirement funds, etc.
- 4) Produce a valid driver's license or other form of identification.
- 5) Produce, if requested, a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 6) Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services or alternative guidelines adopted by the governing body providing the alternative guidelines do not provide eligibility requirements less than the federal guidelines.
- 7) The application for an exemption shall be filed after January 1, but one day prior to the last day of the Board of Review. The filing of this claim constitutes an appearance before the Board of Review for the purpose of preserving the right of appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

The following are the federal poverty income guidelines which are updated annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services. The annual allowable income includes income for all persons residing in the principal residence.

Federal Poverty Guidelines for the 2026 Assessment Year

Number of Persons Residing Poverty Guidelines in the Principal Residence Annual allowable income

1 Person	\$15,650
2 Persons	\$21,400
3 Persons	\$27,150
4 Persons	\$32,900
5 Persons	\$38,650
6 Persons	\$44,400
7 Persons	\$50,150
8 Persons	\$55,900
Each additional person, add	\$5,500

2026 RESOLUTION FOR POVERTY EXEMPTION - Continued

The following is a limit on the amount of assets an applicant can have (or insert see attachment):

- Limit on Cash Balances: \$2,500 (check/savings). All bank statements must be submitted with application.
- 1 personal vehicle is exempt from overall asset value limit
- Primary Residence is excluded, however, excess land over 5 acres will count toward overall asset limit.
- Annual dividend income (taxable & non-taxable) must be less than \$1,000
- Overall Asset Value Limit: \$20,000

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the supervisor/assessor and Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption. As this policy and resolution do not establish specific guidelines for granting a 25% or 50% reduction in taxable value as allowed by MCL 211.7u, the Board of Review shall be limited to a 0% reduction (denial) or 100% reduction (approval).

The foregoing resolution offered by Board/Council Member_____

and supported by Council Member/Board Member_____.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

“Aye”: _____

“Nay”: _____

The City/Township Clerk declared the resolution_____.

_____, Clerk Signature

_____, Clerk Name, Dated: _____

COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP - 2026
Hardship Exemption Procedures and Guidelines

1. To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:
 - a) Be an owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested.
 - b) File a claim with the supervisor/assessor or Board of Review, accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year.
 - c) File a claim reporting that the combined assets of all persons do not exceed the current guidelines. Assets include but are not limited to, real estate other than the principal residence, personal property, motor vehicles, recreational vehicles and equipment, certificates of deposit, savings accounts, checking accounts, stocks, bonds, life insurance, retirement funds, etc.
 - d) Produce a valid driver's license or other form of identification.
 - e) Produce, if requested, a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested.
 - f) Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services or alternative guidelines adopted by the governing body providing the alternative guidelines do not provide eligibility requirements less than the federal guidelines.
 - g) The application for an exemption shall be filed after January 1, but one day prior to the last day of the Board of Review. The filing of this claim constitutes an appearance before the Board of Review for the purpose of preserving the right of appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.
2. The applicant must appear in person or by an agent who is authorized to do so in writing in a witnessed and notarized statement by the property owner. The filing of the claim constitutes an appearance before the Board of Review for the purpose of preserving the claimant's right to appeal the decision of the Board of Review to the Michigan Tax Tribunal regarding the claim.
3. In the event a household member over 18 years of age is earning income but not contributing to your Support or household income, a written explanation as to why is required.
4. The applicant and all household members' assets shall not exceed the following limits:
 - Limit on Cash Balances: \$2,500 (checking/savings). All bank statements must be submitted with application.
 - 1 personal vehicle is exempt from overall asset value limit
 - Primary Residence is excluded, however, excess land over 5 acres will count toward overall asset limit.
 - Annual dividend income (taxable & non-taxable) must be less than \$1,000
 - Overall Asset Value Limit: \$20,000
 -

Assets will include, but are not limited to the following: Real estate holdings (other than the principal residence), in excess of one car per household, pleasure boats, motor homes, bank accounts.

5. Total household income levels may not be set lower than the federal poverty income standards. The federal poverty income standards for setting poverty exemption guidelines for 2026 assessments are as follows:

<u>Size of Family Unit</u>	<u>Poverty Guidelines</u>
1 Person	\$15,650
2 Persons	\$21,400
3 Persons	\$27,150
4 Persons	\$32,900
5 Persons	\$38,650
6 Persons	\$44,400
7 Persons	\$50,150
8 Persons	\$55,900
For each additional person, add	\$5,500

Each year thereafter the levels shall be adjusted the poverty guidelines as issued annually by the State Tax Commission for the appropriate assessment year.

Regular Meeting Schedule of Cohoctah Township Board Meetings

The Cohoctah Township Board will meet on the second Thursday of each month.

All meetings will begin at 7 pm and will take place at the Cohoctah Township Hall, 10518 N Antcliff Rd, Fowlerville, MI 48836.

Thursday, January 8, 2026
Thursday, February 12, 2026
Thursday, March 12, 2026
Thursday, April 9, 2026
Thursday, May 14, 2026
Thursday, June 11, 2026
Thursday, July 9, 2026
Thursday, August 13, 2026
Thursday, September 10, 2026
Thursday, October 8, 2026
Thursday, November 12, 2026
Thursday, December 10, 2026

Changes to these dates or the location will be posted on the website and at the offices of Cohoctah Township.

Fowlerville Senior Center

November 25, 2025

Mark Fosdick, Supervisor
Cohoctah Township
10518 Antcliff Road
Fowlerville, MI 48836

Dear Mr. Fosdick,

The Fowlerville Senior Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is requesting Cohoctah Township for financial support for fiscal year 2026.

As anticipated, in 2025 we received no COVID funding from the State of Michigan or from Livingston County which resulted in a funding reduction. But local township and village governments did provide financial support for the Fowlerville Senior Center. The Fowlerville Senior Center respectfully requests Cohoctah Township to support the Senior Center with a \$1000.00 contribution.

The Fowlerville Senior Center provides many services primarily to senior citizens, principally but not only, from Handy Township, Conway Township, Village of Fowlerville, Iosco Township, Howell Township, and Cohoctah Township. We also provide opportunities and services to all citizens of Livingston County and in some cases outside of Livingston County.

In 2025 we continued and enhanced our educational/informational programs, exercise and numerous social activities and services for our senior citizen members. Fowlerville Senior Center members also increased their participation in and supported our community's local events and needs.

In 2026, we plan to continue building on our successes and provide a vibrant Fowlerville Senior Center which not only serves our senior citizens but also is a partner in our community. Our proposed 2026 Activity Program will continue to focus on activities and programs which enhance our members' life experiences, health and security and our community partnerships.

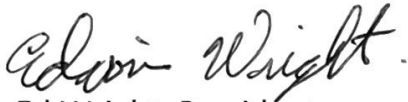
We provide these activities and services, during a six (6) hour day, Monday through Friday, from 8:30A – 2:00P.

The Fowlerville Senior Center owns and maintains its own building and the associated costs, including parking lot, grounds, utilities, phones, snowplowing, etc.

Fundraising, membership dues, private donations, and room rental income contribute only a portion of the daily operating expenses and are unable to meet the unavoidable increased costs for programs, activities and services for seniors and community programs.

The Fowlerville Senior Center respectfully requests financial support in the amount of \$1000.00 for the fiscal year 2026 (Jan – Dec) and if needed, to be placed on Cohoctah Township Board Meeting agenda to explain or answer questions regarding our request for financial support in 2026 to continue and maintain the work we do on behalf of the seniors and community we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Wright". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ed Wright, President

Fowlerville Senior Center

Fowlerville Board of Directors/Trustees

Attached: 2026 Fowlerville Senior Center – Activity Program, Fowlerville Senior Center Proposed 2026 Budget, November 2025 Calendar of Events

2026 Fowlerville Senior Center – Activity Program

Includes, but is not limited to:

Acting as a distribution center for Meals on Wheels

Partnering with Livingston Educational Service Agency (LESA) and their Preparation & Readiness to Enhance the Possibilities program (PREP)

Senior Education Programs

- Frauds targeting seniors

- Medicare Information/Education

- Healthcare

- Nutritional Information

- Other topics as requested by our membership

Travel Outings – six (6) per calendar year (Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct, Dec)

Entertainment – six (6) per calendar year (Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov)

Monthly Blood Pressure Checks – provided by the Fowlerville Fire Department

Medical Equipment Loan Program (free service to anyone in need)

Allowing community (nonmembers) to participate in some Fowlerville Senior Center activities

Associate Membership Program (those 18 – 54 years old)

Community “Heating and Cooling Center” (as needed)

Free CPR, AED, and NARCAN Training to anyone in the community

Food Drive to support the Family Impact Center

Monthly Potluck lunches – one potluck – food provided by members, the other potluck – food. provided by Meals on Wheels (Senior Center pays for)

Holiday Events

- Easter – In house activities

- Memorial Day – In house activities

- Fourth of July – Parade participation

- Labor Day - In-house activities

- Halloween – Dinner and participate in handing out treats to Halloween participants

- Veterans Day – we remained open so veterans would have a place to come to

- Thanksgiving – In house activities

- Christmas – Christmas dinner and Parade participation

- Special Event(s) (Birthday Celebrations, etc) – in house activities

Daily/Weekly Activities

- Morning Coffee Clutch

- Low Impact Exercise Class

- Bingo Games

- Dice Games (Farkle)

- Painting Class

- Euchre Games

- Tai Chi Class

- Cribbage Games

- Cardio Drumming

- Walking Club

FOWLerville SENIOR CENTER

Current Financial Assets (2025)

Current Account Balances (as of November 21, 2025)

Money Market (checking) = \$49,709.42

Savings = \$34,683.65

Total financial assets = \$84,393.07

Income (2025)

Money Market (checking) Deposits = \$50,062.47

Savings = \$6,761.27

(We closed a second checking account and transferred balance to savings account)

Expenses (2025)

Current expense total for 2025 (as of November 21, 2025)

Total Expenses Paid from Checking Account - \$38,377.74

Total Expenses Paid from Savings Account - \$238.00 (mistaken deposit and transferred to checking account)

PROPOSED OPERATIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR 2026

Heating (Consumers Power)	\$5,000.00
Electricity (DTE)	\$2,000.00
WOW Internet, WIFI & Telephone	\$2,000.00
Ring Security Cameras (yearly recording account)	\$150.00
Office Supplies (print cartridges, paper, etc)	\$700.00
Custodial Supplies (cleaning)	\$1,500.00
Custodian \$150.00/month	\$1,800.00
Community Room Supplies (plates, cups, utensils, etc)	\$1,500.00
Lawncare	\$2,000.00
Snow Removal	\$7,500.00
Basic Building Maintenance (code updates, something breaks)	\$1,500.00
Water	\$1,200.00
Computer upgrades (operating system, virus protection, programs)	\$400.00

PROPOSED ENHANCEMENTS TO BUILDING

Upgrade Building Lighting to LED – 2026 (estimate)	\$6,000 – \$8,000
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*For improved lighting, visual safety and to prevent falls from changing light bulbs

In 2025 we completed male and female bathroom renovations at a cost of \$6,530.00

MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Membership Trips

Six (6) per year	\$5,400.00
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February, April, June, August, October, and December

Estimate \$900.00 transportation costs per trip

Entertainment events

Six (6) per year \$2,100.00

January, March, May, July, September, November

Estimate \$350.00 per event

Seminars / Education events

Eight (8) per year \$800.00

Dates and times will vary according to topics

To be held at Fowlerville Senior Center

Estimated \$100.00 per event

Activities held at Fowlerville Senior Center – Equipment and Supplies

Tai Chi Classes \$150.00

Low Impact Exercise Classes \$200.00

Cardio Drumming Classes \$100.00

Card Games \$40.00

Bingo Games \$100.00

Dice Games (Farkle) \$40.00

*Blood Pressure Checks – sanitary wipes \$100.00

We have been selected by the American Heart Association
for a grant to place a blood pressure monitor machine at
the Fowlerville Senior Center – installation in March or April 2026

Painting Class (supplies) \$100.00

Community Room Activities (games, craft projects etc) \$300.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES COSTS \$9,430.00

TOTAL 2026 OPERATING BUDGET (estimate) \$44,680.00

FOWLerville SENIOR CENTER
INCOME BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR 2026

RENTAL INCOME

The Fowlerville Senior Center currently rents rooms to the Fowlerville Community Theatre and to Grace Life Community Church.

We formerly rented to Linsey's Llama Promise Youth Group – this organization no longer rents from the Fowlerville Senior Center and reduced our income by \$2,000.00.

Fowlerville Community Theatre – \$475.00/month	\$5,700.00/year
Grace Life Community Church - \$500.00/month	\$6,000.00/year
Community Room rental income - \$100.00/day	\$700.00/year
Membership dues - \$25.00/person	\$2500.00/year
Fundraising (unobligated)	\$500.00/year
Fundraising (obligated funds to match funds for special project(s) unsecured)	\$3,000.00/year
Undedicated funding requests to local government sources (historical) – varies	\$11,000.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 2026 \$29,400.00

2025 FOWERVILLE SENIOR CENTER

LOGGED VISITS

The Fowlerville Senior Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30A – 2:00P.

For the year 2025 the Fowlerville Senior Center had a total of 4,326 visitors to the Center.

This is an increase of 1,232 visitors from 2024.

For the year 2025 the Fowlerville Senior Center averaged 16.64 visitors per day.

This is an increase from 12.23 visitors per day from 2024

This is a great indicator the Fowlerville Senior Center is a utilized and vibrant community asset.

FOWLerville SENIOR CENTER

2025 MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

TOTAL MEMBERS – 95

MEMBERSHIP BY COUNTY / TWP / VILLAGE

HANDY TWP – 31

CONWAY TWP – 12

IOSCO TWP– 7

COHOCTAH TWP – 3

HAMBURG TWP – 1

PUTNAM TWP – 1

HOWELL TWP – 9

UNIDILLA TWP – 1

VILLAGE OF FOWLerville – 22

WEBBERVILLE (INGHAM COUNTY) – 2

LEROY TWP (INGHAM COUNTY – 4

ANTRIUM (SHIAWASSE COUNTY) – 1

COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE
REGARDING SPECIAL LAND USES**

At a meeting of the Township Board for the Township of Cohoctah, Livingston County, Michigan, held at the Cohoctah Township Hall, 10518 N Antcliff Rd Fowlerville MI 48836, on the 11th day of December, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following preamble and resolution were offered by _____
and seconded by _____.

WHEREAS, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110 of 2006, MCL 125.3101 *et seq.*, as amended, authorizes townships to adopt and amend zoning ordinances to regulate the use of land and structures within their zoning jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Cohoctah Township Board (“Township Board”) has adopted such a zoning ordinance (“Zoning Ordinance”); and

WHEREAS, the Township Board desires to consider an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to regulate special land uses in the Township (“Proposed Amendment”); and

WHEREAS, the Township Planning Commission (“Planning Commission”) timely published notice of a public hearing on the Proposed Amendment; and

WHEREAS, at a November 6, 2025 meeting, following a duly-noticed public hearing, the Planning Commission discussed the Proposed Amendments and recommended the adoption of the Proposed Amendment to the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, after the Planning Commission’s November 6, 2025 public hearing, it

transmitted the Proposed Amendment to the Livingston County Planning Commission for review pursuant to MCL 125.3307; and

WHEREAS, the Livingston County Planning Commission recommended approval of the Proposed Amendment at its November 19, 2025 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board discussed the Proposed Amendments at its public meeting on December 11, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board desires to adopt the Proposed Amendment as reflected in Ordinance No. 2025-03, An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance Regarding Special Land Uses (the “Ordinance”), attached as **Exhibit A**, and

WHEREAS, the Township Board finds the Ordinance promotes public health, safety, and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Cohoctah Township Board resolves as follows:

1. Ordinance No. 2025-03, An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance Regarding Special Land Uses (the “Ordinance”), attached as **Exhibit A**, is hereby adopted.
2. The Ordinance will be filed with the Township Clerk.
3. The Township Clerk is to publish notice of adoption of the Ordinance, substantially similar to **Exhibit B**, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township.
4. Any resolutions that conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent necessary to give this Resolution full force and effect.

A vote on the above Resolution was taken and was as follows:

ADOPTED:

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk for Cohoctah Township, Livingston County, Michigan, CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a meeting held on the 11th day of December, 2025.

Barb Fear, Township Clerk

EXHIBIT A
COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-03
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE REGARDING SPECIAL
LAND USES**

The Township of Cohoctah ordains:

Section 1. Addition of New Section 13.29 to the Zoning Ordinance.

A new Section 13.29 is added to Article 13 of the Zoning Ordinance and reads in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 13.29. - Moratoriums

- A. **Moratorium by Resolution.** The Township Board, by resolution, may impose a temporary moratorium upon the review or issuance of any and all applications, permits, rezonings, licenses, or approvals for special or other land uses in the Township if the Township Board desires to review, enact, or amend provisions of the master plan or zoning ordinance to regulate existing or emerging land uses that may impact the health, safety or welfare of township residents or property.
- B. **Purpose and Findings.** The resolution must state the purpose of the moratorium and include findings of the Township Board in support of the moratorium.
- C. **Length of Moratorium.** Any resolution adopted pursuant to this Section must specify the length of the moratorium which may not exceed twelve (12) months. The resolution may provide for one (1) extension of the moratorium, by resolution, for up to six (6) months.
- D. **Notice.** Notice of the resolution must be published within seven (7) days of its adoption. The notice must include the following:
 - (a) A summary of the resolution's effect.
 - (b) The length of the moratorium and whether an extension is possible.
 - (c) Where the public may inspect the resolution enacting the moratorium.

Section 2. Validity and Severability.

If any portion of this Ordinance is found invalid for any reason, such holding will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Repealer.

Any ordinances or parts of ordinances that conflict with this Ordinance are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance takes effect upon the expiration of seven (7) days after its publication pursuant to MCL 125.3401.

EXHIBIT B

COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION AND SUMMARY

TAKE NOTICE that at a meeting on December 11, 2025, the Township of Cohoctah adopted Ordinance No. 2025-03, An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance Regarding Special Land Uses (the “Ordinance”). The Ordinance is available for inspection at the Township Hall, 10518 N Antcliff Rd. Fowlerville MI 48836, during regular office hours. Copies of the Ordinance may be obtained for a reasonable charge. The Ordinance takes effect upon the expiration of seven (7) days after the publication of this Notice and Summary. A summary of the Ordinance follows:

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025.-03

Section 1. Addition of New Section 13.29 to the Zoning Ordinance. This Section of the Ordinance authorizes the Township Board to adopt a temporary moratorium by resolution to pause land use approvals while reviewing or updating zoning regulations to protect public health, safety, or welfare. The resolution must include the purpose, supporting findings, a defined duration (up to 12 months with one possible 6-month extension), and be publicly noticed within seven days of adoption.

Section 2. Validity and Severability. This Section of the Ordinance makes its provisions severable.

Section 3. Repealer. This Section of the Ordinance repeals any ordinances or parts of ordinances that conflict with the Ordinance to extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Section of the Ordinance states that the Ordinance takes effect upon the expiration of seven (7) days after its publication.



Livingston County Department of Planning

November 20, 2025

Scott Barb
AICP, PEM
Director

Robert A. Stanford
AICP, PEM
Principal Planner

Martha Haglund
AICP
Principal Planner

Abby Carrigan
Planning Intern

Cohoctah Township Hall
c/o Barb Fear, Township Clerk
10518 N Antcliff Rd
Fowlerville, MI 48836

Re: Livingston County Planning Commission Recommendation

Case: Z-39-25 Article 13.29 Moratoriums

Dear Board Members:

The Livingston County Planning Commission met on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, and reviewed the proposed zoning text amendments the County Planning Commissioners made the following recommendation:

Z-39-25 Approval. The proposed text amendments are appropriate and consistent with township zoning ordinance language.

Copies of the staff review and Livingston County Planning Commission meeting minutes are enclosed. Please do not hesitate to contact our office should you have any questions regarding county action.

Sincerely,

Department Information

Administration Building
304 E. Grand River Avenue
Suite 206
Howell, MI 48843-2323

(517) 546-7555
Fax (517) 552-2347

Enclosures

c: Jessica Buttermore, Chair, Planning Commission
Steve Bronsberg, Township Zoning Administrator

Agendas, Minutes & Meeting Packets are available at:
<https://milivcounty.gov/planning/commission/>

Web Site
www.milivcounty.gov/planning

DRAFT
LIVINGSTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Howell High School
Rod Bushey Performing Arts Center
Howell, Michigan
NOVEMBER 19, 2025
6:30 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION		
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	Matt Ikle Bill Call Dennis Bowdoin Paul Funk	Margaret Burkholder Kevin Galbraith Chuck Wright
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:		
STAFF PRESENT:	Scott Barb Rob Stanford Martha Haglund Abby Carrigan	
OTHERS PRESENT:	Various members of the public spoke, and names have been attached on the sign in sheet.	

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Planning Commissioner Ikle at 6:30 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
3. **ROLL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** None.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDOIN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2025, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BURKHOLDER.
All in favor, motion passed 7-0

5. **APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES:**

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER FUNK TO APPROVE THE MINUTES DATED OCTOBER 15, 2025, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CALL.
Motion passed 6-0
(ABSTAIN: WRIGHT)

6. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** Mary Hayak from Howell Township spoke about a previous zoning case in Howell Township and supports the planning commission's recommendation on that case. Charles Smith from Howell Township spoke in opposition to the data center project and said the data center should first use superfund sites. A resident said she would support renewable energy projects but not data centers.

7. ZONING REVIEWS:

A. Z-34-25: HOWELL TOWNSHIP TEXT AMENDMENTS SECTION 2.02 DEFINITIONS

The Howell Township Planning Commission is proposing to amend the definitions in the Township Ordinance with the addition of 'Data Processing'. Staff have reviewed the proposed amendments for accuracy and compatibility with the existing ordinance language.

Township Recommendation: Disapproval. The proposed definition was denied at the September 23, 2025, public hearing on the proposed amendment.

Staff Recommendation: The definition is incorrect as noted in staff comments. The Planning Commission should consider the error as stated in staff comments and offer their recommendation to the Howell Township Board.

Commissioner Discussion: None.

Public Comments: None.

Commission Action:

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALL TO RECOMMEND DISAPPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FUNK.

Motion passed: 7-0

B. Z-35-25: HOWELL TOWNSHIP CONDITIONAL REZONING AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL (AR), NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE COMMERCIAL (NSC), AND SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (SFR) TO RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY (RT) SECTIONS 7 & 18.

Current Zoning: Agricultural Residential (AR), Single Family Residential (SFR), and Neighborhood Service Commercial

Proposed Zoning: Research and Technology (RT)
Sections: 7 and 18

Township Recommendation: The proposed conditional rezoning was Denied at the September 23, 2025, public hearing. Minutes of the meeting demonstrate a few proponents of the project with an overwhelming majority of attendees voicing their opposition to the proposed data center conditional rezoning.

Staff Recommendation: The proposed rezoning from AR (Agricultural Residential), SFR (Single Family Residential), and NSC (Neighborhood Service Commercial) to RT (Research & Technology) is not consistent with the overall goals, objectives, and future land use intentions of the Howell Township Master Plan. The Planning Commission should review the facts presented in this review and offer their recommendation to the Howell Township Board.

Commissioner Discussion: None.

Public Comments: Various members of the public spoke, and names have been attached on the sign in sheet.

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALL TO RECOMMEND DISAPPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDOIN.

ROLL CALL VOTE REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER IKLE: BURKHOLDER: YES; BOWDOIN: YES; GALBRAITH: YES; CALL: YES; FUNK: YES; WRIGHT: YES; IKLE: YES

Motion passed: 7-0

Planning Commission Recessed for a break at 8:38 PM

Planning Commission Reconvened at 8:47 PM

C. Z-36-25: OCEOLA TOWNSHIP TEXT AMENDMENTS
SECTION 12.31 WASTE RECEPTACLES AND MANAGEMENT

The Oceola Township Planning Commission proposes to add an entirely new section to **Article 12 General Provisions** of the Oceola Township Zoning Ordinance dealing with screening of solid waste receptacle areas.

Township Recommendation: Approval. The Oceola Township Planning Commission recommended Approval of this zoning amendment at its October 14, 2025, public hearing. According to the meeting minutes supplied for this case, there were no public comments.

Staff Recommendation: Based on the information provided by Oceola Township for this case, the proposed new provisions related to the management of waste receptacles appear to be suitable and reasonable.

Commissioner Discussion: Commissioner Call inquired if this is only for residential land uses.

Public Comments: None.

Commission Action:

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDOIN TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BURKHOLDER

Motion passed: 7-0

D. Z-37-25: OCEOLA TOWNSHIP TEXT AMENDMENTS
SECTION 15.02 (2) and (6) PROCEDURES FOR MAKING APPLICATION

The Oceola Township Planning Commission proposes adding two entirely new sections to Article 15 Special Permits of the Oceola Township Zoning Ordinance dealing with the making of special use permit application.

Township Recommendation: Approval. The Oceola Township Planning Commission recommended Approval of this zoning amendment at its October 14, 2025, public hearing. According to the meeting minutes supplied for this case, there were no public comments.

Staff Recommendation: Based on the information provided by Oceola Township regarding this case, the proposed new provisions related to the administrative site plan approvals for special uses appear to be suitable and reasonable. The proposed provisions should help to streamline the administrative process when and where necessary for the township going forward.

Commissioner Discussion: Commissioner Bowdoin would like the Township to reconsider using sketch plans.

Public Comments: None.

Commission Action:

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDOIN TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BURKHOLDER.

Motion passed: 7-0

**E. Z-38-25: OCEOLA TOWNSHIP TEXT AMENDMENTS
SECTION 16.11 SKETCH PLAN REVIEW STANDARDS**

The Oceola Township Planning Commission proposes to add an entirely new section to **Article 16 Site Plan Approval** of the Oceola Township Zoning Ordinance dealing with sketch plan review standards.

Township Recommendation: Approval. The Oceola Township Planning Commission recommended Approval of this zoning amendment at its October 14, 2025, public hearing. According to the meeting minutes supplied for this case, there were no public comments.

Staff Recommendation: Based on the information provided by Oceola Township regarding this case, the proposed new provisions related to the administrative site plan approvals and the allowance for sketch plan approval for certain special uses, appear to be straightforward, suitable and reasonable. The proposed provisions, connected appropriately with the newly proposed provisions in **Article 15 Special Permits, Section 15.02(6) Procedures for Making Application – Site Plan Approval** (County Case Z-37-25), should help to streamline the administrative process when and where necessary for the township going forward.

Commissioner Discussion: None.

Public Comments: None.

Commission Action:

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALL TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GALBRAITH.

Motion passed: 6-1, NAY BOWDOIN

**F. Z-39-25: COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP TEXT AMENDMENTS
SECTION 13.29 MORATORIUMS**

The Cohoctah Township Planning Commission is proposing to amend their Zoning Ordinance to include standards for Moratoriums including stating the purpose of the moratorium and adding language regarding deadline and extension guidelines.

Township Recommendation: APPROVAL. The Cohoctah Township Planning Commission recommended approval at their November 6, 2025, meeting. During the public hearing one person spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance.

Staff Recommendation: The proposed ordinance amendment has been thoroughly reviewed by staff and the Township Attorney. The proposed amendments are appropriate and consistent with zoning ordinance language.

Commissioner Discussion: None.

Public Comments: None.

Commission Action:

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDOIN TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BURKHOLDER
Motion passed: 6-1, NAY IKLE

8. OLD BUSINESS:

9. NEW BUSINESS:

10. REPORTS:

A. Welcome New Planning Commissioner Chuck Wright

B. Annual Meeting to Follow Regular Meeting Adjournment.

11. COMMISSIONERS HEARD AND CALL TO THE PUBLIC: None.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BOWDOIN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:11 PM, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CALL.

Motion passed: 7-0

Call to the Public – Agenda Item #6		
Speaker Name	Township/ City/ Village of Residence	Comment
Mary Hayek	Howell Twp	Wants a follow-up from Scott on Johnathan's Landing in Howell Twp
Charles Smith	Howell Twp	Opposition to the rezoning, preserve rural character and quality of life
Stephanie Booth	City of Howell	Opposition to the rezoning
Zoning Review – 7B Howell Twp. Rezoning		
Speaker Name	Township/City/ Village of Residence	Comment
Angela Barbash	Howell Twp	The rezoning should follow township and county Master Plans. Spoke about locating data centers in industrial zones.
Dan Wholihan	Handy Twp	Spoke in opposition to the rezoning, referenced rural character and data centers belonging in industrial areas
Mary Motto	Howell Twp	Spoke about following the Master Plan
Kristen Dennison	Village of Fowlerville	Spoke about following the Master Plan goals and is hopes that none of the new goals are related to the data center project
Jodi Fulton	Howell Twp	Spoke about following the Master Plan, says the Research and Technology zone is more suited for airports than data centers
Alissa Recker	Cohoctah Twp	Spoke about data centers belonging in heavy industrial, expressed the need for more independent studies on community impacts
Lauren Prebenda	Oceola Twp	Spoke in opposition to the project, and said the project conflicts with the Township and County Master Plans.

		Referenced a petition in opposition with 3000 signatures and a petition for a moratorium on data centers with 400 signatures
Mark Freude	Howell Twp	Stated that he supported previous comments and agreed with the staff recommendation, discussed the background of the Howell Twp Master Plan
Dan Bonello	Howell Twp	Talked about a previous article about the Van Gilders and the importance of preserving farmland. Read letter from Jane Carter about Dodge Farm and the importance of preserving historical structures.
Wyatt Tucker	Genoa Twp	Posed questions about the applicant's website and available information. Voiced concerns about impacts to residents near data centers.
Laurie Goethe	Marion Twp	Spoke about rural preservation goals and a lack of transparency with the project
Lyle Devine	City of Howell	Concerned about impacts on his family and water quality
Robert Hill	Iosco Twp	Questioned how the project would benefit the community, concerned about water, contamination, and cost of utility bills
Patricia Murphy	Oceola Twp	Concerned about the speed of the project and tax breaks given to data center projects.
Emma Sova	Howell Twp	Spoke in opposition to the project; concerned about transparency from the township

Steven Weiss	Conway Twp	Stated that the attorney representing the developer was the representative also representing Ranger Power with a renewable energy project in his community. Concerned about transparency
Gary Burtka	Conway Twp	Believes that data centers belong in industrial areas. Referenced other areas available in Michigan, claimed those should be utilized first
William Lawrence	City of Lansing	Referenced a data center project in his community. Skeptical about AI and potential future market failures.
Allen Romaine	Howell Twp	Spoke about preservation, concerned about transparency and disclosures.
Jeanette Freeland	City of Howell	Questioned where the need for these data centers are coming from, challenged the necessity of AI
Evelyn Redwine	City of Howell	Spoke about impacts to the surrounding landowners and expressed concerns about AI impacts on employment
Kirk Starin	Cohoctah Twp	Concerned about AI taking jobs and decreasing the workforce
Dave Richardson	Village of Fowlerville	Concerned with sprawl and the development of the data centers. Voiced issue with site plan requirements and setbacks.
Michelle Vecheta	Howell Twp	Concerned about the new conditions presented from the applicant. Said the PC should uphold the 2018 Master Plan.

Paula Murphy	Howell Twp	Concerned about tax breaks to data centers and concerned about the impact AI may have on the workforce. Also concerned about extra pressure on local fire department.
Dave O.	Howell Twp	Expressed concern regarding AI and voiced the need for regulations
Breanne Green	Marion Twp	Stated that the project is inconsistent with goals and objectives of the Master Plan, concerned about water usage and utility rates
Charles Smith	Howell Twp	Read letter he submitted to Public Service Commission and AG Office in opposition to data center project
Victoria Steele	Oceola Twp	Concerned about AI usage and the impact on human creativity and productivity
Richard Kaminski	Howell Twp	Concerned about water retention, asked questions about DTE and transparency
Steve Smith	Conway Twp	Discussed his background in working with an applicant for a renewable energy project in Conway Township and expressed concern about decreasing property values in his community.
Clark Thompson	Howell Twp	Concerned about regulations and transparency of the project.
Valerie Malafouris	Howell Twp	Spoke about past contamination experience and concerns with contamination from the project. Questioned the benefits to the community.
Corey Alchin	Howell Twp	Concerned about project transparency. Expressed the

		need for a moratorium on data center projects in Howell Twp. Concerned about too many data centers drawing on water from the same aquifer.
???	???	Concerned about precedent being set and uncertainty about suggested cooling systems in the proposed data center.
Zoning Review – 7C Oceola Twp. Text Amendment		
Speaker Name	Township of Residence	Comment
Zoning Review – 7D Oceola Twp. Text Amendment		
Speaker Name	Township of Residence	Comment
Zoning Review – 7E Oceola Twp. Text Amendment		
Speaker Name	Township of Residence	Comment
Zoning Review – 7E Cohoctah Twp. Text Amendment		
Speaker Name	Township of Residence	Comment
Call to the Public (Final)		
Speaker Name	Township of Residence	Comment



Livingston County Department of Planning

MEMORANDUM

TO: Livingston County Planning Commission and the Cohoctah Township Board of Trustees

FROM: Martha Haglund, Principal Planner

DATE: November 10, 2025

SUBJECT: Z-39-25: Article 13.29 Moratoriums

The Cohoctah Township Planning Commission is proposing to amend their Zoning Ordinance to include standards for Moratoriums including stating the purpose of the moratorium and adding language regarding deadline and extension guidelines.

Staff reviewed the proposed amendments for accuracy and compatibility with the existing ordinance language and offers the following summary for your review. Staff comments are noted throughout with additions and changes to the ordinance in **red**.

Add new Section 13.29, "Moratoriums"

Sec. 13.29. - Moratoriums

- A. Moratorium by Resolution.** The Township Board, by resolution, may impose a temporary moratorium upon the review or issuance of any and all applications, permits, rezonings, licenses, or approvals for special or other land uses in the Township if the Township Board desires to review, enact, or amend provisions of the master plan or zoning ordinance to regulate existing or emerging land uses that may impact the health, safety or welfare of township residents or property.
- B. Purpose and Findings.** The resolution must state the purpose of the moratorium and include findings of the Township Board in support of the moratorium.
- C. Length of Moratorium.** Any resolution adopted pursuant to this Section must specify the length of the moratorium which may not exceed twelve (12) months. The resolution may provide for one (1) extension of the moratorium, by resolution, for up to six (6) months.
- D. Notice.** Notice of the resolution must be published within seven (7) days of its adoption. The notice must include the following:
1. A summary of the resolution's effect.
 2. The length of the moratorium and whether an extension is possible.
 3. Where the public may inspect the resolution enacting the moratorium.

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Staff Comments: *The Township should verify their zoning ordinance and application standards do not require the township to take action on an application within a specific time that could conflict with their moratorium time requirements.*

Staff Comments: *The moratorium ordinance mandates that the township clearly articulate the purpose and define the duration of the moratorium. Both requirements are appropriate and reasonable, and they will offer guidance and consistency for future township officials.*

TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL. The Cohoctah Township Planning Commission recommended approval at their November 6, 2025, meeting. During the public hearing one person spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL. The proposed ordinance amendment has been thoroughly reviewed by staff and the Township Attorney. The proposed amendments are appropriate and consistent with zoning ordinance language.

COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS

The Township of Cohoctah Ordains:

Section. 1. Addition of New Section 2.1 to the Township Code of Ordinances.

A new Section 2.1 is hereby added to the Township Code of Ordinances and reads in its entirety as follows:

Section 2.1

- A. *Title.* This Ordinance may be cited as the “Cohoctah Township Nondisclosure Agreement Ordinance.”
- B. *Purpose.* To protect the public health, safety, and welfare, and to promote transparency and ethics in government, this Ordinance prohibits township officials, employees, agents, and representatives from entering into nondisclosure disclosure agreements when acting within the scope of their official capacity.
- C. *Definition.* For the purposes of this Ordinance, a “nondisclosure agreement” means an agreement or contract that includes a provision or clause that provides that a party to the agreement or contract is prohibited from disclosing, discussing, describing, or commenting on the agreement or contract or any of the terms therein.
- D. *Prohibition.* Beginning on and after the effective date of this Ordinance, a Township official, employee, agent, or representative may not enter into a nondisclosure agreement regarding any work done in their official capacity or that may affect their ability to fulfill their official duties. A Township official, employee, agent, or representative that is a party to a nondisclosure agreement outside of their official capacity must recuse from all participation within their official capacity involving the subject matter of the nondisclosure agreement.
- E. *Exceptions.* The prohibition above does not apply to confidentiality obligations that are:
 - 1. Required by law; or
 - 2. Narrowly defined and approved in writing in advance by the Township Board, following review and recommendation by the Township Attorney. To approve such an exception, the Township Board must determine that confidentiality is necessary to protect legitimate township interests and that public disclosure would cause demonstrable harm. The approval must be recorded in the public minutes and include a written finding explaining the necessity and scope of the confidentiality.

- F. *Penalties.* A violation of this Ordinance may result in disciplinary action consistent with applicable Township policies, employment agreements, and law. The Township Board may pursue any remedies available under law for unauthorized commitments.

Section 2. Validity and Severability.

If any portion of this Ordinance is found invalid for any reason, such holding will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Repealer.

All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance takes effect as provided by law.

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