

HARTLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING FINAL MINUTES  
September 19, 2025 – 8:30 AM

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Fountain at 8:30 a.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call**

PRESENT: Supervisor Fountain, Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Lubeski, Trustee McMullen, Trustee O'Connell, Trustee Petrucci  
ABSENT: None

Also present were Dr. Lew Bender and Township Manager Mike Luce.

**4. Approval of the Agenda**

**Move to approve the agenda for the September 19, 2025 Hartland Township Board Special meeting as presented.**

Motion made by Trustee McMullen, Seconded by Trustee O'Connell.

Voting Yea: Supervisor Fountain, Township Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Lubeski, Trustee McMullen, Trustee O'Connell, Trustee Petrucci

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

**5. Call to the Public**

No one came forward.

**6. Approval of the Consent Agenda**

There was no consent agenda for this meeting.

**7. Pending and New Business**

**a. Strategic Planning Session**

Dr. Lew Bender gave a brief overview of the purpose and goals of this meeting for developing a three-year strategic plan. He stated we would review the progress of the township over the years, identify future areas of concern, and go into breakout sessions to provide a three-year vision and a one year strategic plan. Dr. Bender facilitated a discussion of where the Township was when each Board member started and what they have seen and learned to date. Items discussed were roads, traffic, walkability, specific events that led to major changes in the Township, and living with within our means. From these discussions we identified our three-year vision concerns, such as explosive development, Hartland Deerfield Fire Authority expansion, staff compensation, police protection, and the future of the Partners in Progress. There was further discussion regarding educating the public and working partners and communication methods to assist in achieving this goal including town hall meetings. A discussion was held regarding communication methods that would lead up to a town hall meeting and the structure of a town hall meeting where experts would give an overview and attendees at the meeting would breakout into small groups for a more in-depth discussion of issues. A breakout session was then held in two groups to document each

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group's vision of what we would like to see in Hartland Township in the next three years. Manager Luce had to leave the meeting to attend to other Township matters.

Dr. Bender then facilitated a discussion of the overall results of the breakout groups. He summarized the vision discussion into three main objectives, 1) Infrastructure, 2) Community Education/Involvement, and 3) Walkable/Livable Community. Dr. Bender then facilitated a discussion to identify one year action items for each of the three objectives. He will summarize the results of the meeting and provide a written report for the Board to use as guidelines for developing a three-year Strategic Plan and a one-year Action Plan.

**8. Adjournment**

**Move to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m.**

Motion made by Township Clerk Ciofu, Seconded by Treasurer Horning.

Voting Yea: Supervisor Fountain, Township Clerk Ciofu, Treasurer Horning, Trustee Lubeski,  
Trustee McMullen, Trustee O'Connell, Trustee Petrucci

Voting Nay: None

Absent: None

Submitted by:

Larry N. Ciofu, Clerk