

# MULLETT TOWNSHIP

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## MULLETT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING FOR JANUARY 12, 2026

6:30 PM AT MULLETT TOWNSHIP HALL

The Mullett Township Board of Trustees met at the Mullett Township Hall, Topinabee, MI, at 6:30 PM on January 12, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present were Clerk Denise Ackerman, Treasurer Bobbie Balazovic, Trustee Brett Lindgren, and Trustee Mike Goerke. Supervisor Laz Surabian was absent. There were 8 constituents present.

A motion was made by Brett Lindgren, with support from Mike Goerke, that Clerk Denise Ackerman moderate the meeting in the Supervisor's absence. The motion passed. Public Comment was opened at 6:33 PM and closed at 6:34 PM with two comments. David Jacalone's comments are attached to the minutes as he requested. Brett Lindgren made a motion, supported by Mike Goerke, that the agenda be approved. The motion passed.

Brett Lindgren made a motion, supported by Mike Goerke, that the minutes of the Board of Trustee Meeting of December 8, 2025, meeting be approved. The motion passed. Brett Lindgren made a motion, with support from Mike Goerke, that we pay the bills. The motion passed.

### **REPORTS:**

#### **The Treasurer's Cash-On-Hand Report for December 2025, is summarized as follows:**

General Fund 101	\$302,995.33
Fire Fund 206	\$253,152.22
Streetlights Fund 219	(\$859.53)
Liquor Fund 212	\$383.82
Library Fund 271	\$11,607.55
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$567,279.37</b>

A motion was made by Brett Lindgren, supported by Mike Goerke, that the Treasurer's report be accepted and filed. The motion passed.

#### **The Clerk's Quarterly Expenditure Report for Quarter Ending December 31, 2025, is as follows:**

General Fund 101	\$135,180.39
Fire Fund 206	\$18,509.52
Liquor Fund 212	\$484.42
Library Fund 271	\$11653.26
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$165,187.59</b>

A motion was made by Brett Lindgren, supported by Mike Goerke, that the Clerk's report be accepted and filed. The motion passed. The Treasurer reported to the Clerk that all accounts were balanced in December.

Chief Mike English reported for the Mullett Township Fire Department that for the quarter ending December 31, 2025, the Department had 19 runs; 7 for EMS and 12 for fire – of those 8 were in Topinabee, 1 was in East Mullett, 9 were in Burt, and 1 was for Mutual Aid.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- **Committee Assignments:**
  - **Burt-Mullett Cemetery Board:** A motion was made by Denise Ackerman, with support from Bobbie Balazovic, that Brett Lindgren and Bobbie Balazovic serve as Mullett's representatives on the Burt-Mullett Cemetery Board. They both accepted the appointment and the motion passed.
  - **Burt Trail Committee:** A motion was made by Bobbie Balazovic, with support from Mike Goerke, that Brett Lindgren serve as Mullett's representative on the Burt Trail Committee. He accepted the appointment and the motion passed.
  - **Oak Hill Cemetery Board:** A motion was made by Brett Lindgren, with support by Mike Goerke, that Bobbie Balazovic serve as Mullett's representative on the Oak Hill Cemetery Board. She accepted the appointment and the motion passed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **2026-27 Fiscal Year Ranch Road Project:** Denise Ackerman made a motion, with support from Bobbie Balazovic, that the Board proceed with the proposed Ranch Road project shared with Burt Township, with Mullett's proposed cost being \$85,100. Deposit will follow to the Road Commission. The motion passed.
- **TruGreen Estimate:** Brett Lindgren made a motion, with support from Mike Goerke, that the Board accept the proposal from TruGreen for our Library Park lawn maintenance and their prepay option for \$887.84. The motion passed.
- **East Mullett Fire Substation Plowing:** The Board approved a contract with Nicolas Laurie, who is taking over Dave Corbin's snow plowing business, to plow the Fire Substation lot for the remainder of the 2025-2026 season.
- **Adjoining Property Owner Letter:** The Board authorized a letter reaching out to the property owner of the property south of the Townhall to explore the possibility of acquiring their lot for future expansion of the Firehall.
- **Resolution 2026-01 to Establish Township Clerk Salary for 2026-27 Fiscal Year at \$26,000:** Resolution offered by Bobbie Balazovic and supported by Mike Goerke. With a rollcall vote: Voting aye: Denise Ackerman, Bobbie Balazovic, Brett, Lingren, and Mike Goerke. Voting nay: None. Absent: Laz Surabian.
- **Resolution 2026-02 to Establish Township Supervisor Salary for 2026-27 Fiscal Year at \$14,500:** Resolution offered by Mike Goerke and supported by Brett Lindgren. Voting aye: Denise Ackerman, Bobbie Balazovic, Brett, Lingren, and Mike Goerke. Voting nay: None. Absent: Laz Surabian.
- **Resolution 2026-03 to Establish Township Treasurer Salary for 2026-27 Fiscal Year at \$26,000:** Resolution offered by Brett Lindgren and supported by Mike Goerke. Voting aye: Denise Ackerman, Bobbie Balazovic, Brett, Lingren, and Mike Goerke. Voting nay: None. Absent: Laz Surabian.
- **Resolution 2026-04 to Establish Township Trustee Salary for 2026-27 Fiscal Year at \$5,300:** Resolution offered by Bobbie Balazovic and supported by Denise Ackerman. Voting aye: Denise Ackerman, Bobbie Balazovic, Brett Lingren, and Mike Goerke. Voting nay: None. Absent: Laz Surabian.

A call to the public was offered at 7:18 PM and closed at 7:19 PM with no comments. A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was offered by Brett Lindgren, supported by Mike Goerke, at 7:19 PM. The motion passed.

The Budget Workshop was reopened at 7:21 PM. As the Supervisor was absent, the Board members reviewed the budget, highlighting the areas that needed additional attention. Copies of the budget were also given to department heads Library Director Judy Jacalone and Fire Chief Mike English for their input to be forwarded to the Supervisor. Follow up workshop will be held on January 26, 2026, at 6:30 PM per Resolution 2025-08.

Workshop adjourned at 7:50 PM with motion by Mike Goerke and supported by Bobbie Balazovic. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Denise Ackerman  
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