

**SAGOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting / Sagola Community Bldg.**  
**April 8, 2026**  
**Minutes [Draft]**

Ryan Mulder, Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Supervisor Ryan Mulder, Clerk Julie Roell, Treasurer Marissa Berg, Trustees Luke Fleming, David Roell

**Add under New Business: (c) General Appropriations Act (d) FY Budget Approval (e) Attorney, Mileage Rate, Auditor, Banking Facilities. Moved by J. Roell, supported by Berg, to approve the amended agenda. MOTION CARRIED**

Elise, Groveland Solar Mine Project, gave updates of solar project.

**Moved by Berg, supported by Mulder, to approve the 03/02/2026 Regular Meeting Minutes & Budget Planning as written. MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by J. Roell, supported by Berg, to pay special bills: Premier Heating (\$949) EMS Building maint.; Hannula Agency (\$338) 2026 Sewer Bond; Brimar (\$4890) street signs, and all regular bills. MOTION CARRIED**  
*Crystal Lumber (\$668) Channing ballpark, hold check as materials were said to be donated.*

Marissa handed out the Treasurer's report. The COVantage CD matures on 6/8/26 and Marissa will check on the interest rate in comparison to Northern Interstate.

**Moved by Mulder, supported by J. Roell, to purchase eight flower barrels and soil at Home Depot not to exceed \$1000. MOTION CARRIED**

Sign posts can be bought at Crystal Lumber at \$380/75 posts. An individual has offered to write grants for the township for the estimated cost of between \$250-\$500, if the Board is interested.

Luke looked at the Rec Plan to see what projects can be initiated.

Amy was not present, but emailed her report which will be included in the Minutes Book.

Dan reported two-page outs last month. Portions of the EMS building will be painted to match and the front painted gray w/black trim and possibly have the decals on the garage doors re-done.

Pam was present and reported phone calls returned and land division splits. Spring dumpsters will be placed 5/29-5/30.

**CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm**

**ROLL CALL**

All Present

**AGENDA**

Amended

*Approved*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments Opened: 6:02 p.m.

Comments Closed: 6:03 p.m.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

03/02/26 Meeting Minutes

*Approved*

**OFFICIALS REPORTS**

Clerk/Julie Roell

Special & Regular Bills

*Approved*

**Treasurer/Marissa Berg**

**Supervisor/Ryan Mulder**

Flower Barrels/Soil

*Approved*

**Trustee/Luke Fleming**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Assessor/Amy Bucek

**Fire Dept./Dan Simonsen, Chief**

**Zoning Adm./Pam Minerick**

Vinnie will be working with Scott, EGLE, next week. Roof was built on the Channing ballpark concession stand and painting inside.

John was present, and responded to a few complaints.

Seven summer help applications were received with Luke Fleming abstaining. **Moved by Mulder, supported by J. Roell, to hire Sebastian Buchanan, as summer help at the rate of \$15/hour.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by D. Roell, supported by J. Roell, to hire Tobias Fleming, summer help at \$15/hour.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Mulder, supported by D. Roell, to hire Carol Coonrod and Cody Conery as summer help alternates at \$15/hour.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Luke and township FD personnel met with Mansfield Twp. and Crystal Falls officials to work out a new Mansfield Twp. Mutual Aid Agreement. The Board was asked if the agreement could be written for more than a one-year term. Luke will reach out to Mansfield and an up-to-date agreement will be brought to the May meeting.

**Moved by Mulder, supported by Fleming, to expend up to \$67,000 for replacement of nine street lights on M95 in Channing. Ayes: 3 Nays: 2 MOTION CARRIED**

Discussion of Siding Ordinance to be put on May agenda with MI Building Code 2015 table. Should a grandfather clause be written to exclude homes with siding that doesn't conform to new codes?

**Moved by J. Roell, supported by Mulder, to deed over the township owned portion of parking lot to St. Rose Church with all legal expenses paid by St. Rose. MOTION CARRIED**

The north access road at the Channing ballpark needs to be graveled.

**Moved by J. Roell, Supported by Berg, to approve the General Appropriations Act 2026-2027. Roll Call Vote / Ayes: D. Roell, Fleming, Mulder, J. Roell, Berg RESOLUTION CARRIED**

**Sagola Twp. Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget was approved by Fund activity and is included in the Minutes Book.**

**Moved by J. Roell, supported by Fleming, to appoint Steven Tinti as twp. attorney; mileage rate at .60/mile; D. Campbell as auditor; Northern Interstate, MI Class, Co-Vantage as twp. banking facilities. MOTION CARRIED**

**Maintenance / Vincent Fellers**

**Enforcement Officer/John DuBuis**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Summer Help** *Approved*

Buchanan, T. Fleming

Coonrod, C. Conery, Alternates

Wages set at \$15/hour

**2026 Mansfield Twp. Mutual Aid**

**Street Poles Channing**

**\$67,000/9 poles** *Approved*

**Siding Ordinance**

May Agenda

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Channing Church Parking Lot**

*Approved*

**Gravel Channing Park**

**2026/2027 General Appropriations**

*Resolution Approved*

**Final FY 2026-2027 Budget**

*Approved*

**Attorney, Mileage Rate, Auditor,**

**Banking facilities** *Approved*

Topics voiced: Committee to organize holiday events; flags on M95 corridor; sign at Channing Post Office needs maint.

Flooding at O&M Building; paving at church parking lot

**Moved by Mulder, supported by Fleming, to adjourn the 4/8/26 Regular Board Meeting at 7:45 p.m.**

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Julie Roell, Clerk

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Date

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments Opened: 7:40 p.m.

Comments Closed: 7:42 p.m.

## **BOARD PRIVILEGE**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

7:45 PM