

Loud Township Board
Regular Meeting
Loud Township Hall
3882 M-33, Atlanta, Michigan 49709

January 15, 2026

Call to order

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Beau Williams, Supervisor

Members Present:

Beau Williams, Robin Chinavare, Kimberly Rippee

Members Absent:

Donna Stehle, Joel Bixel

Minutes Approved from December 18, 2025-Regular Meeting- with no corrections. *Motion made by Rippee, 2nd by Chinavare, motion carried unanimously.*

Correspondence: Minutes from TTFD

Treasurers Report: Prepared by Rippee (see attached)

Bills to Be Approved: Prepared by Chinavare- *A motion to approve the bills to be paid was made by Chinavare, 2nd by Rippee, motion carried unanimously.*

Other Reports:

Sheriff Department: Representative not in attendance.

Landfill Report: Meeting not attended.

County Road Commission: Bruno Wojcik reporting. The Road Commission is running a little over budget. They have a full staff. New trucks are finally on the road. There are a couple of pick-up trucks that need to be replaced.

Fire Report: Kim Rippee reporting. The budget was reviewed. Chief Culham has a wish list consisting of Helmets, turnout gear, and a heater to dry the turnout gear. They have one new fireman at the academy. One truck needs a new pump. They are asking for 2 mill this coming election.

Ambulance Report- Beau Williams reporting. There has not been a meeting.

Assessor- Representative not in attendance.

Public Comment: None

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Unfinished Business:

- a. Merry-Go-Round Maintenance- Tabled
- b. Presque Isle Electric & Gas- Allan Berg, President and CEO has requested that we put the franchise for natural gas distribution service in Loud Township on a ballot. This issue is tabled until ballot language is due for the August 2026 election.
- c. Flagpole at Township Hall- Tabled
- d. Floor Repair-Tabled
- e. Internet Pricing-Tabled
- f. BOR Training- Cleatus will attend the February 26th online class. *A motion to add Mike Beaugard to the Board of Review was made by Chinavare, 2nd by Rippee, motion carried unanimously.* Rippee will sign Mike Beaugard up for a training date. Chinavare will do new hire paperwork with him.

New Business:

- a. Mileage Reimbursement- The new federal allowance is .725 per mile. *A motion to change the mileage reimbursement to .72 per mile was made by Chinavare, 2nd by Rippee. Followed by a roll call vote: Williams: YES, Chinavare: YES, Rippee: YES. Absent: Stehle, Bixel*
- b. Poverty Exemption- *A motion was made to accept the presented Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test 2026 as a Board Resolution by Chinavare, 2nd by Rippee. Followed by a Roll Call Vote. Williams: YES, Rippee: YES, Chinavare: YES. Absent: Stehle, Bixel*
- c. Salary Resolutions -Discussion was held to increase Board members' salaries by 2.8% for cost of living.

Motion for Resolution for the Supervisor salary to increase to \$8944.80 annually by Chinavare, 2nd by Rippee. Followed by a Roll Call Vote. Williams: YES, Chinavare: YES, Rippee: YES. Absent: Stehle, Bixel

Motion for Resolution for the Treasurer salary to increase to \$8944.80 annually made by Williams, 2nd by Chinavare. Followed by a Roll Call Vote. Williams: YES, Rippee: YES, Chinavare: YES Absent: Stehle, Bixel

Motion for Resolution for the Clerk salary to increase to \$10,209.24 annually made by Williams, 2nd by Rippee. Followed by a Roll Call Vote. Williams: YES, Chinavare: YES, Rippee: YES. Absent: Stehle, Bixel

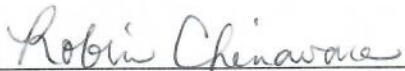
Motion for Resolution for the Trustee salary to increase to \$1460.40 annually made by Chinavare, 2nd by Rippee. Followed by a Roll Call Vote. Williams: YES, Rippee: YES, Chinavare: YES. Absent: Stehle, Bixel

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- d. Salary/Hourly Wage – Discussion was held to increase rates for non-board positions. *A motion to increase wages to the following was made by Williams, 2nd by Chinavare. Followed by a Roll Call Vote. Williams: YES, Chinavare: YES, Rippee: Yes. Absent: Stehle, Bixel.* Deputy Treasurer, Deputy Clerk, Treasurer Per Diem/Tax Prep, Assessor Per Diem/Prep, Board of Review: \$15.00/hour. Janitor: \$157.20/month. Assessor: \$9279.12 annually. Election Inspector: \$15.45/hour. Election Chairperson: \$16.45/hour.
- e. SOME Audit Agreement- *A motion to agree to the agreement for the 2026 audit was made by Rippee, 2nd by Williams, motion carried unanimously.*
- f. Annual Meeting of the Electors- March 28, 2026, 10am
- g. Budget Workshop- March 13, 2026, 1 PM
- h. Budget Hearing- March 19, 2026, 6:30 PM
- i. Board of Review March Dates – March 3, 2026, 9 am Organization Meeting. March 9, 2026 and March 12, 2026, 1:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m. with no objections.



Submitted by: Robin Chinavare



Approved By: Beau Williams, Supervisor

LOUD TOWNSHIP			
Financial Report- <i>unaudited</i> 01/31/2026			
Beginning balance as of		12/31/2025	\$ 400,677.95

CFCU	Gen Fund Money Mkt	beginning balance	\$ 247,351.81
		#574 Revenue Sharing	\$4,739.00
		#447 Admin Fee	\$767.00
		#403 LT Operating	\$5,320.64
		#665 Interest Income	\$775.86
		#620 Landfill Impact Fees	\$4,110.33
	Total Receipts	\$15,712.83	
			\$263,064.64
	Transfer out<<<< to General Checking	\$6,500.00	
	BALANCE		\$256,564.64
	General Checking	beginning balance	\$ 926.49
	Transfer in>>>>	from Money Mkt	\$6,500.00
	Total checks	16	\$6,382.96
	BALANCE		\$ 1,043.53
	Limited Use Ck'g	beginning balance	\$ 3,694.84
	Transfer in>>>>		
		#247 BOR Training	\$369.00
	Total Expenses	\$369.00	
	BALANCE		\$3,325.84
CFCU	#36 CD	BEGINNING BALANCE	\$56,713.69
		Interest	\$0.00
		BALANCE	\$ 56,713.69
CFCU	#37 CD	BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 51,167.20
		Interest	
		BALANCE	\$51,167.20
CFCU	#38 CD	BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 40,823.92
		Interest	
		BALANCE	\$40,823.92
***** COMBINED BALANCE OF GENERAL FUND ACCTS			\$409,638.82
Total Summer 2025 taxes collected as of 02/16/26 - \$471,190 - 93%			
Total Winter 2025 taxes collected as of 02/16/2025 - \$191,770 - 84%			
Loud Twp Tax Acct Balance on 01/31/2026 - \$73,565.84			
Kim Rippee - Township Treasurer			