

MINUTES OF THE SALEM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2025

**Members Present:** Jim Pitsch - Supervisor, Renee Busscher - Clerk, Ashley Brower – Treasurer  
**Also present:** Dan Kipen – Firechief, Lisa Vandebunte – Library Director, Linda Teeter – Director of Finance at Allegan  
**Absent:** Dan Striegle – Trustee, Don Sebright – Trustee

Meeting was called to order by Jim Pitsch at 7:02PM  
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Reading of previous board meeting Minutes and Bills, if no additions or corrections Minutes and Bills were approved and paid by consent.

**County Road Commissioner:** n/a



**County Commissioner:** Townships Report February 2024.pdf (Command Line)

**Comments from Commissions & Departments of:**

- *Zoning:* n/a
- *Planning:* No updates as Dan Striegle was absent
- *Fire:* Dan Kipen presented. Annual Report will be uploaded to township site shortly.



February Monthly Report.pdf (Command Line)

- *Ambulance:*
- *Library:* Lisa Vandebunte presented, see attached paper. Check out Library webpage for all information  
<https://saletownshiplibrary.org/>



Directors Report January 2025 (003).pdf (Command Line)

- *Parks Planning:* Looking into grant possibly to fix path and courts
- *ARPA Funding:* funds are allocated. Can remove.
- *Roads:* building 24<sup>th</sup> St, bids came in under estimated costs

**Public Comment:**

n/a

**Old Business:**

1. Allegan County Legal Assistance Center Contract:  
Moved by Ashley Brower, seconded by Renee Busscher  
Discussion: Linda Teeter announced services provided Allegan County Legal Assistance center.  
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Legal Asst Draft Contract Allegan County Legal Assistance Center.pdf (Command Line)

**New Business:**

1. Salem Township Park and Cemetery Fertilizer Bid:  
Moved by Renee Busscher, seconded by Ashley Brower  
Discussion: Rates are similar to last year.  
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Park and Cemetery Fertilizer Bid - Lenharts.pdf (Command Line)

2. Salem Township Solar Ordinance Amendment

*Postponed – Fire chief and Lawyer to review*

3. Salem Township Resolution for Michigan Trust Fund Grant:

Moved by Ashley Brower, seconded by Renee Busscher

Discussion: needed for DNR to approve and release funds awarded in Park Grant

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Resolution 2.11.25 Michigan Trust Fund Grant.pdf (Command Line)

4. Bid Award for 24th <https://www.alleganroads.org/2025-projects--bids.html>

Moved by Renee Busscher to award lowest bid, seconded by Ashley Brower

Discussion: Jim will follow up with Craig on the Road Commission to advise of our support to lowest bidder.

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**Public Comment:**

Question regarding PCI and where they are on blight properties. Dan Striegle is working on putting a folder/spreadsheet to track stages for the various properties.

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Jim Pitsch, seconded by Ashley Brower to adjourn meeting at 7:27 PM

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