

MINUTES OF THE SALEM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING HELD OCTOBER 14, 2025

Members Present: Renee Busscher - Clerk, Ashley Brower – Treasurer, Dan Striegle – Trustee, Don Sebright – Trustee
Also preset: Dan Kipen –Firechief
Absent: Jim Pitsch - Supervisor

Meeting was called to order by Renee Busscher at 7:00PM
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: See attached report.

Comments from Commissions & Departments of:

- *Zoning:* n/a
- *Planning:* SUP for accessory building for office was approved at last meeting.
- *Fire:* Dan Kipen presented – see attached
- *Ambulance:* n/a
- *Library:* See attached report. Check out Library webpage for all information <https://saletownshiplibrary.org/>
- *Parks Planning:* DNR approved the bids, now board has to approve the bid at the meeting and confirm with DNR.
- *Roads:* n/a

Public Comment:

- Allegan County Parks board – Jaclyn Hulst informed:
 - No to a parks millage, county doesn't see it being approved. Will provide money from general fund.
 - This year has a lot of vandalism and we have never seen that before. Centered around destroying the bathrooms. All parks lock bathrooms now a certain time at night, Ottawa county chose to close bathrooms for the winter.
- 146th property, had a drone flying over property around 7:30 pm
 - Wondering if any others have been had similar story – reminder to community for drones over oil wells and over property and following air regulations.
- Road being made on 27th – what is it
 - Road for natural gas work and will be returned to natural field. They have easement.
- Blight concern on 27th
 - Will check with Charles at PCI
- Harmsen property boat and illegal storage
 - Working with sheriff on abandonment claim to get boat removed.
 - Addressed the storage, currently working boat, then next step is storage if that is ongoing
- ORV ruling last meeting
 - Township ordinance complies with ORV laws, enforcing is up to law enforcement.

Old Business:

1. Salem Township Solar Ordinance Amendment: (as rewritten by attorney and PCI)
 - Moved by Ashley Brower to accept solar ordinance as prepared by planning with solar in the I -1 industrial zoning, seconded by Don Sebright.
 - Discussion: Don talked about farmers' horror stories of panels up, abandoned and they personally had to take them down. Also advised soil is unusable for 15-20 years. Lawyers recommended to have minimum acreage available to meet requirements, our industrial zoning wont support it, we don't want to get sued so what is the next best alternative? If we add R1 or A1 to the allowance, afraid it could be opened to eminent domain. Current administration took away most incentives for solar, so we are seeing a decline. Planning commission has been talking about this over a year and listening to public comment – want to protect residents, we are going to grow, would hate for there to be this eye sore. Studies also also showed leaching into water. Could always look to rezone a parcel to industrial if needed.

Roll call vote: Sebright - Yes, Brower - Yes, Busscher – Yes; Striegle abstained as he voted in the Planning Commission meeting.

2. Cell Tower: Accept Offer to sell our Lease Rights for the tower. (with terms of abandonment and lapse in lease, tower is removed and property put back to original topography)
Postponed, - questions on if land is sold how to access land etc., if land is being sold or only an easement.

New Business:

1. Bid Award for Salem Township Pickleball Courts: (Mugan Construction lowest bid & recommended)
Moved by Dan Striegle to accept Mugan Bid, seconded by Don Sebright
Discussion: DNR approved Mugan, they have to approve before we do. And then when there is board approval, then things can move forward.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Recognition of Non-Profit status for Saint Mary’s Visitation School Foundation:
Moved by Don Sebright, seconded by Ashley Brower
Discussion: similar to rabbit hunt. Need documentation that we recognize as non profit.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
3. Turtle Creek Road (136th Ave.) Abandonment: (with road maintenance agreement in place)
Nothing to do at this time
Discussion: see email from Lori
4. Flea Market Fees:
to keep fees as stated, no new motion
Discussion: Discussed pricing with market manager. According to listed charges, non resident, extra time, over 50 people would be \$265 per flea market, and they were only charged \$50 more than previous year. Rental income loss, but want to have event for community – fees stay at agreed upon at \$180.
5. Eagle view – Assessor uses for our mapping – Allegan is having more projects verses new photos every 5 years, county will cover 50% townships cover rest.
Moved by Ashley Brower, seconded Dan Sebright
Discussion: Cost for aerial imagery has gone down even with more aerials.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Comment:

- Resident Informed: Data centers – growth in township and private wells, how data center would devastate that. And they increase electric use. More interest in places with ready water and sewer. Unsure if we need something specific to address this, right now they would call themselves a “warehouse”. Planning Commission may review for an ordinance,.
- Discussion of farmers and solar in Blendon Twp.
- Charles who took over blight ordinance. Updates on where they stood.
- Questions on Eagleview –
- Chicken Ranch discussion
 - o Jason had meeting at PCI to talk about the enforcement. 500-600 chickens. Abatement done at the site. Now enforcement is covering everything. Needs informal hearing with court to keep moving forward.
 - o animal enforcement officer had to come out to that property for dog,
 - o planning commission should talk about limiting roosters per acre/property for hobby farming.

Adjournment:

Moved by Don Sebright, seconded by Ashley Brower to adjourn meeting at 8:27 PM
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Pastor Craig Van Beek

Allegan County Commissioner District 1

Good afternoon, Salem Township Board Members,

I pray each of you are well and ready for the transition from summer to fall. As always, my goal is to serve you with transparency, accountability, and genuine care for our community's future. I welcome your questions, concerns, or ideas, and I remain grateful for the opportunity to represent you as your County Commissioner. Please find my report below.

2026 Budget & Public Hearing

The Commissioners have spent many hours working on and finalizing the budget for 2026. After some good conversation over the last couple months, we approved the budget during our last meeting on the October 9th.

Planning & Preparedness Drills

The Michigan Health Alert Network (MIHAN) and Inventory Management Tracking Software (IMATS) initiated drills that will be completed by 9/19/25. Both of these drills are sponsored by the Department of Emergency Preparedness and Response at the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services. The Health Department is required to maintain three MIHAN administrators. MIHAN drills ensure administrators are familiar with and can operate the system's functions. These drills are completed quarterly. The IMATS drill requires the Health Department to update user and facility information for Points of Dispensing. IMATS allows local health departments to track assets obtained during an emergency and manage resource requests.

Sheriff's Office Roof Replacement & Jail Tour

As part of the approved 2025 capital project budget, section 6 of the Sheriff's Office roof is being replaced. The scope of work for this project includes removing the leaking skylights above this section and filling in the gaps. As a precaution, the fitness area in the building was closed for the next couple of weeks, and the County is coordinating with the Probation Parole office to implement remote work options on the days the contractor will be working in their suite. Last week on Thursday the commissioners were able to tour the Allegan County Jail. I was impressed by our officers and the leadership of Sherrif Baker. It is a very well run, clean facility.

Equalization Activities (Last Updated in August)

Real property appraisal studies are progressing on schedule. As of October 15, 1,181 out of 1,753 planned appraisals are completed or actively underway. This fieldwork supports the 2026 Equalization cycle and focuses on accurately collecting property characteristics, on-site verification, and photographic documentation in compliance with MCL 211 standards. Work on the 2025 Apportionment Report is ongoing. The completed report will be presented to the Board of Commissioners for formal adoption at its October 23, 2025, meeting.

Senior Day

The County hosted a continental breakfast and vendor fair for Senior Day at the Allegan County Fair on September 9, 2025, serving over 200 seniors. Breakfast highlights included coffee donated from Allegan Biggby and donuts compliments of Crane's Orchard & Pie Pantry. Senior service vendors and community partners, 35 in total, including Senior Service millage providers, shared information and giveaways for seniors throughout the morning. Seniors enjoyed Bingo with prizes following the COA hosted breakfast.

12th Annual County Veteran Stand Down

The County, in partnership with the Veterans Administration, will host this free event on Thursday, October 23, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Allegan (see attachment D). Stand Down is a resource event for local veterans, featuring approximately 30 local providers of services to veteran families, as well as the distribution of military surplus items. Available Resources: Free Health Screenings - Veterans Justice Outreach - Employment Assistance - Housing Resources - Veteran Nonprofit Services Mental Health Resources . . . and many more.

Parks Reservation System Review

Since 2019, County Parks has utilized Reserve America to process all park campsite and pavilion reservations. In the past year, “Reserve America” was acquired by another company. Following that change, the county staff and customers have experienced customer service and system responsiveness challenges. Parks Management is reviewing alternative reservation platforms to ensure the best experience for park visitors and secure the most cost-effective solution for the County. This process will evaluate:

- Ease of use for customers making reservations
- Reliability and responsiveness of customer service
- Features and functionality that support park operations
- Pricing to ensure cost neutrality or potential savings for the County.

If a new system is selected, implementation would occur in early 2026, before the start of the busy season, to ensure a smooth transition for both customers and staff.

Courthouse Renovation (Last Updated in September)

Renovation work is ongoing in the former District Court Probation area. The west side of the suite is expected to be completed within the next few weeks, allowing a portion of the Clerk's staff to relocate to this finished section while renovations shift to the east side of the suite. Additionally, renovation efforts continue in the public restrooms and stairwells. All stairwells will receive new coats of paint, new stair treads, and carpeting. The public bathrooms on the ground and first floors have been fully renovated. The restrooms on the second floor are currently undergoing renovation

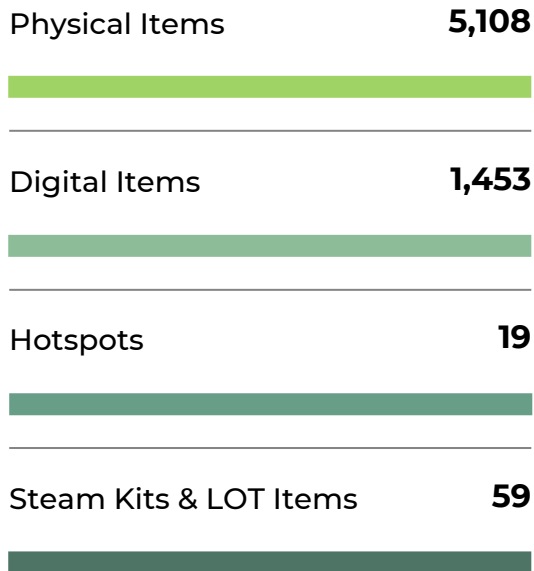
Calkins Dam:

On September 9, 2025, Consumers Energy announced that it has reached an agreement to sell 13 Michigan Hydroelectric Dams, along five Michigan rivers, to Confluence Hydro, an affiliate of Hull Street Energy, LLC. People can visit ConsumersEnergy.com/hydrofuture for updates and to learn more. Consumers Energy plans to reconvene the Local Prosperity Group to meet with the new owners and address any questions they may have. The meeting will be held on November 19, 2025, at 2:00 PM in the Zimmerman room. Later that day, a public meeting will be held at 6:30 PM at Allegan High School.

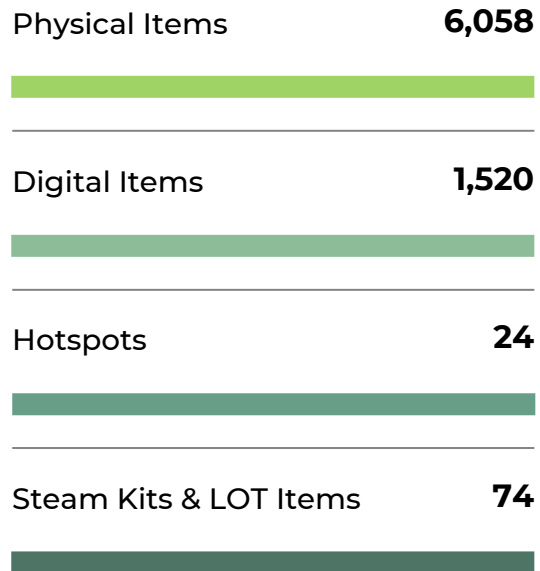


SALEM TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

CHECKOUTS 2025



CHECKOUTS 2024



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-19%

-5%

-26%

-25%

ITEMS LOANED OUT

Number of physical items that were borrowed by other libraries



207 ITEMS ADDED

Number of physical items that were added to our collection

3 NEW PATRONS

VISITS

Number of patrons who visited the library

2025

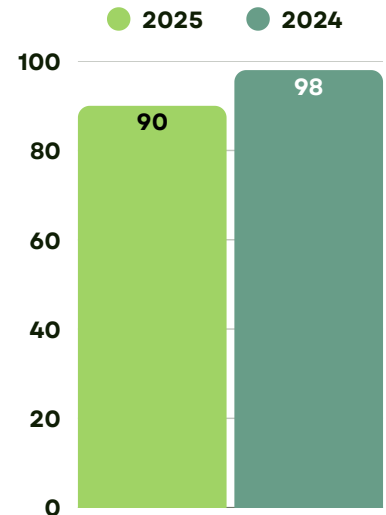
708 Adults 376 Kids 1,084 Total

2024

770 Adults 472 Kids 1,242 Total

REFERENCES

When patrons ask for information



AUGUST PROGRAMS

Library programs provided and participant counts

- Adult Book Clubs: 17
- Knitting & Crocheting Nights: 18
- Play N' Learn: 12
- Lego Club: 12
- CPR Class: 7
- Story Times: 72

OCTOBER PROGRAMS

Current & upcoming library programs and events

- October 6: PM Book Club @ 7pm
- October 6 & 20: Knit & Crochet Night @ 6pm
- October 8: Fire Safety Story Time @ 11am
- October 9 : Play N' Learn @ 11am
- October 11: Lego Club @ 11am
- October 13: Harry Potter Night @ 5:30
- October 15: Board Game Afternoons @ 1pm
- October 27: AM Book Club @ 8:30am
- October 29: Halloween Story Time @ 11am

LIBRARY NEWS

What's happening at your library

- Marissa was granted a stipend from the Library of Michigan to attend the Library Marketing and Communications Conference in St. Louis this November.
- Library Book Sale ran from September 2 - October 11. We collected \$372.75



Salem Township Fire Department
Monthly Report
September 2025

Projects	
SOGs	Working on updating operational SOGs
PPE	Received 2 sets of PPE, still waiting for repairs
Equipment ordered	The order for rescue equipment has been placed, received most of power tools, still waiting for rescue tools- should arrive by December
New hires	1 on board, 1 started out of country job,
Personnel	FF DenBesten retired with 35 years, Probationary FF Pols resigned due to life schedule changes
Apparatus annuals	Kleyn completed DOT inspections, only big issue is a valve on 1712 needs to be rebuilt- completed.
Pump Testing	Kleyn conducted pump testing and all trucks passed
Blood Drive	Blood drive was postponed- not enough company staff, they have not set a new date
State Mandated CE count	State mandated all fire fighters to have 36 credit hours for 3 years, September was the first sign off, worked with many firefighters to fix their login issues so they could sign in.
Reading to Library	Reading fire safety books to preschoolers and a truck demo on 10/22/25
Fire Safety at SMV	Date to be determined
Halloween Open House	Station Open House and treats on Halloween

Total Fire and EMS Year To Date- 237			
Fire Incidents	Total -12	YTD-118	Incidents in SandyPines- 1
Type	Number of Incidents	District	Notes
Structure Fire	1	1- Monterey	Item on shelf was on fire, Minor damage
Brush Fire	1	1-Salem	1 started from a controlled brush pile burn, mainly extinguished at arrival
Accident	2	2- Salem	1- with minor injuries 1- with serious injuries
Downed Power Lines	1	1-Monterey	Trees down on wires
Hazmat Investigation	2	2-Salem	-EOC called to have a address check out, a vac-truck was dumped on some-ones property -Gas smell investigation
No Incident Found	1	1-Salem	iPhone dropped from car
Assist EMS	2	1-Salem 1-Monterey	CPR assist Lift assist
Carbon Monoxide Alarm	2	2-Salem	No CO found at either incident, faulty detectors
Year to date Incidents in SandyPines- 8			

Salem Township Fire Department has a dedicated group of personnel that respond from home and work to help keep the residents of Salem Township and the surrounding communities safe.



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Monthly Report
September 2025

EMS				
Total -18	YTD-156	Incidents in Sandy Pines-7		Incidents in Rehoboth- 0
District	Number of Incidents			
Salem-	16			
Monterey-	2			
Canceled Medical alarms-	2			
Disregarded Priority 3 medical	10	YTD Priority 3:	60	
Year to date Medical Incidents in Sandy Pines- 23			Year to Date in Rehoboth- 4	

Trainings/Meetings	
Topic	Number of Personnel
Physical Agility	17
Officers meeting	4
Equipment Checks	6
Fire Officer 3 Chief Officer Test	1
Fire Officer 2 Company Officer Test	1

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September 30, 2025

Mr. Jim Pitsch, Township Supervisor
Salem Township
3003 142nd Ave
Burnips, MI 49314

RE: Salem Township Park Pickleball Court Construction Project - Bid Summary

Dear Mr. Pitsch:

Bids were received on September 25, 2025 at 2 p.m. for the Township Park Pickleball Court Construction project. A total of six bids were submitted, and the reviewed bid amounts are summarized below. A complete bid tab is attached. Brenner Excavating's bid indicated that a cost breakdown was included; however, this sheet was not provided, so a breakdown of their bid is not included.

Bidder	As Read
Mugen Construction	\$340,655.00
Brenner Excavating	\$354,191.27
Katerberg Verhage	\$357,470.00
Georgetown Construction	\$359,641.76
Site Works	\$362,825.35
Fischer Idema	\$371,185.00

The low bidder, Mugen Construction, is a local contractor who has done multiple projects in the area. Mugen has stated they will be able to start the work late March or early April. A breakdown of their bid items by grant scope categories has been included.

Please feel free to contact should you have any questions regarding this bid summary. We are available to attend the October 11th Council meeting to address any questions.

Respectfully,

Williams & Works



Katie Mendez

Bid Tab attached

cc: Tanya DeOliveira – Williams & Works

Salem Township - Salem Township Park Pickleball Court Construction

25-Sep-25

Item	Description	Units	Quantity	Mugen Construction		Brenner Excavating		Katerberg Verhaege		Georgetown Construction		Site Works		Fischer Idema	
				Price	Total	Price	Total	Price	Total	Price	Total	Price	Total	Price	Total
1	Mobilization, 10%	Lsum	1	\$10,420.04	\$10,420.04	-	-	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$36,250.00	\$36,250.00	\$33,744.04	\$33,744.04
2	Excavation, Earth	Cyd	1109	\$26.88	\$29,809.92	-	-	\$9.00	\$9,981.00	\$15.00	\$16,635.00	\$11.50	\$12,753.50	\$11.28	\$12,509.52
3	Tree, Rem, 6 inch to 18 inch	Ea	3	\$784.00	\$2,352.00	-	-	\$765.00	\$2,295.00	\$200.00	\$600.00	\$680.00	\$2,040.00	\$844.00	\$2,532.00
4	Remove, Salvage Existing Backstop	Ea	1	\$4,480.00	\$4,480.00	-	-	\$5,100.00	\$5,100.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,375.00	\$1,375.00
5	Pavt, Rem	Svd	12	\$31.36	\$376.32	-	-	\$68.00	\$816.00	\$50.00	\$600.00	\$25.00	\$300.00	\$57.50	\$690.00
6	Sidewalk Grading	Ft	340	\$31.36	\$10,662.40	-	-	\$5.00	\$1,700.00	\$30.00	\$10,200.00	\$5.00	\$1,700.00	\$8.04	\$2,733.60
7	Sidewalk, Conc, 4 inch	Sft	651	\$3.09	\$2,011.59	-	-	\$33.50	\$21,808.50	\$25.00	\$16,275.00	\$32.00	\$20,832.00	\$16.80	\$10,936.80
8	Sidewalk, Conc, 6 inch	Sft	914	\$11.22	\$10,255.08	-	-	\$9.75	\$8,911.50	\$15.00	\$13,710.00	\$9.00	\$8,276.00	\$11.80	\$10,785.20
9	Thickened Edge Sidewalk	Cyd	250	\$14.56	\$3,640.00	-	-	\$11.00	\$2,750.00	\$40.00	\$10,000.00	\$11.00	\$2,750.00	\$20.65	\$5,162.50
10	Subbase, CIP	Svd	661	\$22.40	\$14,806.40	-	-	\$34.00	\$22,474.00	\$15.00	\$9,915.00	\$17.50	\$11,567.50	\$24.44	\$16,154.84
11	Aggregate Base, 8 inch	Svd	1945	\$11.35	\$22,075.75	-	-	\$19.00	\$36,955.00	\$15.00	\$29,775.00	\$10.75	\$20,908.75	\$10.32	\$20,072.40
12	HMA, 36A, 165 lbs/Syd	Ton	352	\$142.37	\$50,114.24	-	-	\$130.00	\$45,760.00	\$127.12	\$44,746.24	\$120.00	\$42,240.00	\$70.00	\$59,840.00
13	Leaching Basin, 48 inch dia	Ea	1	\$6,160.00	\$6,160.00	-	-	\$7,956.00	\$7,956.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$5,935.00	\$5,935.00
14	Slope Restoration, Type E	Lsum	1	\$15,039.36	\$15,039.36	-	-	\$12,087.00	\$12,087.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$21,900.00	\$21,900.00	\$8,790.00	\$8,790.00
15	Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control	Lsum	1	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	-	-	\$2,575.00	\$2,575.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00
16	Crataegus crus-galli var. inermis, 1.5 inch	Ea	2	\$532.00	\$1,064.00	-	-	\$750.00	\$1,500.00	\$550.00	\$1,100.00	\$640.00	\$1,280.00	\$670.00	\$1,340.00
17	Gymnocladus dioica 'Espresso', 2 inch	Ea	4	\$856.80	\$3,427.20	-	-	\$850.00	\$3,400.00	\$700.00	\$2,800.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$892.00	\$3,568.00
18	Recreational Court Coating, 1 Coat	Svd	1735	\$22.64	\$39,280.40	-	-	\$19.00	\$32,965.00	\$19.80	\$34,353.00	\$18.50	\$32,097.50	\$20.00	\$34,700.00
19	2" White Court Lines	Ft	1584	\$5.66	\$8,965.44	-	-	\$5.25	\$8,316.00	\$3.28	\$5,195.52	\$5.15	\$8,157.60	\$5.55	\$8,791.20
20	4" Chainlink Fence	Ft	176	\$67.20	\$11,827.20	-	-	\$50.00	\$8,800.00	\$79.50	\$13,992.00	\$62.00	\$10,912.00	\$87.45	\$15,391.20
21	Top Rail Fence Pad	Ft	176	\$72.80	\$12,812.80	-	-	\$25.00	\$4,400.00	\$41.00	\$7,216.00	\$68.00	\$11,968.00	\$45.00	\$7,920.00
22	10' Chainlink Fence	Ft	492	\$91.93	\$45,229.56	-	-	\$68.00	\$33,456.00	\$100.75	\$49,669.00	\$75.00	\$36,900.00	\$110.83	\$54,538.20
23	Pickleball Net & Posts	Ea	8	\$1,672.44	\$13,379.52	-	-	\$3,050.00	\$24,400.00	\$3,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$3,100.00	\$24,800.00	\$4,455.00	\$35,640.00
24	Gate	Ea	1	\$2,240.00	\$2,240.00	-	-	\$980.00	\$980.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$1,430.00	\$1,430.00
25	Bench, Recycled Slats and Armrests, 6'	Ea	2	\$3,034.08	\$6,068.16	-	-	\$2,550.00	\$5,100.00	\$800.00	\$1,600.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,713.00	\$3,426.00
26	End Accessible Twin Pedestal Picnic Table, Recycled Slats and Steel Frame, 8	Ea	3	\$2,473.33	\$7,419.99	-	-	\$4,284.00	\$12,852.00	\$1,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$3,600.00	\$10,800.00	\$2,270.00	\$6,810.00
27	Round Waste & Recycling Receptacle, Expanded Steel, 32 gal	Ea	2	\$1,198.96	\$2,397.92	-	-	\$5,151.00	\$10,302.00	\$400.00	\$800.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$800.00	\$1,600.00
28	Receptacle Round Plastic Dome, Self-Closing Hatch, 24 inch inside dia	Ea	2	\$182.00	\$364.00	-	-	\$3,010.00	\$6,020.00	\$400.00	\$800.00	\$1,600.00	\$3,200.00	\$60.00	\$120.00
29	Recycling Symbol Decal, Outdoor Vinyl	Ea	1	\$140.00	\$140.00	-	-	\$715.00	\$715.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$44.00	\$44.00
30	MNRTE Sign	Ea	1	\$308.00	\$308.00	-	-	\$825.00	\$825.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$880.00	\$880.00
31	Tree Protection Fencing	Ft	127	\$5.73	\$727.71	-	-	\$10.00	\$1,270.00	\$12.00	\$1,524.00	\$2.50	\$317.50	\$6.50	\$825.50
				Total Base	\$340,655.00	Total Base	\$354,191.27	Total Base	\$357,470.00	Total Base	\$359,641.76	Total Base	\$362,825.35	Total Base	\$371,185.00

Construction Cost Opinion Aligned with Grant Scope Categories

Salem Township Park Grant RP24-0050
3003 142nd Ave, Burnips, MI 49314

Work Item	Unit	Quantity*	Amount
Pickleball Court	Ea	8	\$257,380
Trail 8' Wide or More	Ft	226	\$9,742
Access Pathway 5'-6'	Sft	598	\$10,778
Recycle Bin	Ea	1	\$1,451
Trash Bin	Ea	1	\$1,451
Bench(es)	Ea	2	\$6,068
Picnic Area	Ea	1	\$23,587
Native Tree	Ea	4	\$4,491
Landscaping	Syd	1879	\$25,399
Total			\$340,347
MNRTF Sign			\$308
Total Project Cost			\$340,655

From: Lori Castello <lcastello@pcimi.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2025 1:56 PM
To: Ashley Brower <treasurer@salemtownship.org>
Subject: RE: Private Road Turtle Drive

Hi Ashley,

Sure- Turtle Drive is a private road right on the dividing line between Salem and Monterey. This is a dead end stub that has been a public ROW for a very long time, but has been maintained as a private road. Recently the property owners paved it not realizing it was actually the county ROW and not in their purview to do that. Because it's a dead end the Road Commission has agreed to abandon it once there is approval granted from Salem and Monterey Twp. That will then make it be a private road owned by the adjacent property owners.

The property owners have been working on a road maintenance agreement and have presented a draft that meets the standards of both Monterey and Salem Townships (where they differ, the stricter of the two requirements is met). Their next step is to have the surveyed easement and maintenance agreement notarized, signed and filed with the county. Once I receive the filed documents, I'll provide a cost estimate through Henry in Monterey (because that's mostly where the road is and all the benefitted parcels are on the south side) for the property owners to reimburse for our services. Then Monterey will let the road commission know they are ready to approve the abandonment.

That is the basic update. No action is necessary at this time. Once they get me the final paperwork I'll draft a resolution for you guys to vote on at a meeting just supporting the action of the Road Commission.

I hope this helps.

Unit Code	Local Unit	Total Cost (2026 Flight 1 Total + 2029 Flight 2 Total)	Annual Payment (Total Cost / 6 years)	Local Budget 2027	Local Budget 2028	Local Budget 2029
1	Allegan Township	\$ 7,285.46	\$ 1,214.24	\$ 1,214.24	\$ 1,214.24	\$ 1,214.24
2	Casco Township	\$ 13,846.20	\$ 2,307.70	\$ 2,307.70	\$ 2,307.70	\$ 2,307.70
3	Cheshire Township	\$ 5,811.70	\$ 968.62	\$ 968.62	\$ 968.62	\$ 968.62
4	Clyde Township	\$ 6,323.10	\$ 1,053.85	\$ 1,053.85	\$ 1,053.85	\$ 1,053.85
5	Dorr Township	\$ 10,915.84	\$ 1,819.31	\$ 1,819.31	\$ 1,819.31	\$ 1,819.31
6	Fillmore Township	\$ 6,650.51	\$ 1,108.42	\$ 1,108.42	\$ 1,108.42	\$ 1,108.42
7	Ganges Township	\$ 10,501.40	\$ 1,750.23	\$ 1,750.23	\$ 1,750.23	\$ 1,750.23
8	Gun Plain Township	\$ 10,678.74	\$ 1,779.79	\$ 1,779.79	\$ 1,779.79	\$ 1,779.79
9	Heath Township	\$ 7,262.23	\$ 1,210.37	\$ 1,210.37	\$ 1,210.37	\$ 1,210.37
10	Hopkins Township	\$ 9,475.91	\$ 1,579.32	\$ 1,579.32	\$ 1,579.32	\$ 1,579.32
11	Laketown Township	\$ 11,748.66	\$ 1,958.11	\$ 1,958.11	\$ 1,958.11	\$ 1,958.11
12	Lee Township	\$ 5,720.04	\$ 953.34	\$ 953.34	\$ 953.34	\$ 953.34
13	Leighton Township	\$ 7,818.83	\$ 1,303.14	\$ 1,303.14	\$ 1,303.14	\$ 1,303.14
14	Manlius Township	\$ 6,548.92	\$ 1,091.49	\$ 1,091.49	\$ 1,091.49	\$ 1,091.49
15	Martin Township	\$ 7,525.26	\$ 1,254.21	\$ 1,254.21	\$ 1,254.21	\$ 1,254.21
16	Monterey Township	\$ 6,323.10	\$ 1,053.85	\$ 1,053.85	\$ 1,053.85	\$ 1,053.85
17	Otsego Township	\$ 9,440.05	\$ 1,573.34	\$ 1,573.34	\$ 1,573.34	\$ 1,573.34
18	Overisel Township	\$ 6,220.16	\$ 1,036.69	\$ 1,036.69	\$ 1,036.69	\$ 1,036.69
19	Salem Township	\$ 7,360.54	\$ 1,226.76	\$ 1,226.76	\$ 1,226.76	\$ 1,226.76
20	Saugatuck Township	\$ 8,821.00	\$ 1,470.17	\$ 1,470.17	\$ 1,470.17	\$ 1,470.17
21	Trowbridge Township	\$ 6,586.80	\$ 1,097.80	\$ 1,097.80	\$ 1,097.80	\$ 1,097.80
22	Valley Township	\$ 5,383.97	\$ 897.33	\$ 897.33	\$ 897.33	\$ 897.33
23	Watson Township	\$ 6,054.78	\$ 1,009.13	\$ 1,009.13	\$ 1,009.13	\$ 1,009.13
24	Wayland Township	\$ 2,253.61	\$ 375.60	\$ 375.60	\$ 375.60	\$ 375.60
51	City of Allegan	\$ 2,839.42	\$ 473.24	\$ 473.24	\$ 473.24	\$ 473.24
52	City of Fennville	\$ 1,570.18	\$ 261.70	\$ 261.70	\$ 261.70	\$ 261.70
53	City of Holland	\$ 6,451.86	\$ 1,075.31	\$ 1,075.31	\$ 1,075.31	\$ 1,075.31
54	City of Otsego	\$ 1,765.44	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24
55	City of Plainwell	\$ 1,765.44	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24
56	City of Wayland	\$ 5,487.57	\$ 914.60	\$ 914.60	\$ 914.60	\$ 914.60
57	City of Saugatuck	\$ 1,667.81	\$ 277.97	\$ 277.97	\$ 277.97	\$ 277.97
59	City of Douglas	\$ 1,765.44	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24	\$ 294.24
50%	Local Unit Totals	\$ 209,870.00	\$ 34,978.33	\$ 34,978.33	\$ 34,978.33	\$ 34,978.33
50%	Allegan County Total	\$ 209,870.04	\$ 34,978.34	\$ 34,978.35	\$ 34,978.33	\$ 34,978.33
100%	Grand Total	\$ 419,740.04	\$ 69,956.67	\$ 69,956.69	\$ 69,956.67	\$ 69,956.67

See Page 2 - Eagleview Costs Per Unit for detailed flight costs.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

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