



ACME TOWNSHIP SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

ACME TOWNSHIP HALL

6100 US Highway 31 N

Williamsburg MI 49690

Thursday, March 5, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER WITH PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE at 9:03 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Members present: D. Hoxsie, A. Jenema, P. Scott, D. Stevens, S. Swanson, D. White, A. Wylie

Members excused:

Staff present: J. Jocks, Legal Counsel

A. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: None

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Scott, supported by Jenema, to approve the agenda as read. No discussion. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion on Legislative Direct Spending Item (LDSI) (information included in packet)

Legal counsel discussed questions board members had at the regular board meeting held March 3, 2026, regarding \$500,000 in legislatively directed spending to improve Brackett Road. He did not see any indication that the township would be required to complete the project or contribute any money to it, and if not used for this specific project, the money would be returned to the State (as it would be a State appropriation for Brackett Road). He was unable to speak to the scope of work or timeframe, noting he saw nothing that would require it be completed in a year. "Township Board members are listed rather than Road Commissioners because it appears this is being submitted as a request by legislators on behalf of the township not the Road Commission."

Discussion occurred about: the designation of Brackett Road – per Supervisor White, it was just recently approved by the Road Commission Board to be designated a county primary road and the matter was sent on to Lansing for final approval (legal counsel did not view road designation or being denoted as a nonprofit corporation as a problem in this situation); about Road Commission funding toward the project being a decision for the Road Commission Board; and about the Township Board having the option to refuse to sign the agreement if the funding comes through and they do not agree with the agreement itself.

Stacie Bytwork, Legislative Director with Acuitas, joined the meeting by phone and referenced her email correspondence. She noted 'nonprofit' is the term used on the form this year and that this process is very new. Sen. Damoose or Rep. Roth will input information into the system (portal) on Acme's behalf. The township's tax ID number is included and identifies Acme Township as a governmental entity. Regarding language change on the form – she said Acme can update it. She could not speak to whether road designation had any role in this process. She offered to email Sen. Damoose and/or Rep. Roth to ask what the preference is for answers to the nonprofit corporation questions and to include Supervisor White in the correspondence.

Jocks offered to revise the form noting that the Board could pass a motion to submit both of the documents leaving it to Senator Damoose and/or Representative Roth to choose which version is most

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appropriate for the appropriation request. Jocks summarized revisions he would make as follows for the last four questions on the form: Yes, Acme Township is not a nonprofit corporation but it has been in existence since 1904; Yes, Acme Township is not a nonprofit corporation, but it has had a physical office in Acme Township, Grand Traverse County for many years; Yes, Acme Township is not a nonprofit corporation, but it has a Board of Trustees; and The Acme Township Board of Trustees consists of Supervisor Doug White, Treasurer Amy Jenema, Clerk Lisa Swanson, Trustee Dale Stevens, Trustee Aaron Wylie, Trustee Dave Hoxsie, and Trustee Paul Scott.

Jocks left at 9:40 a.m.

Motion by Scott, supported by Jenema, to approve the LDSI request in two forms 1.) as presented and 2.) as counsel suggested as an alternative sent to Senator Damoose and Representative Roth's offices asking them to submit the appropriate form on our behalf – the most appropriate form they think will get the direct spending allotment. Discussion occurred. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion occurred about the condition of Brackett Road from Bates to Elk Lake Road, having discussions with the Road Commission and their presence at meetings for discussion regarding expectations for things like scope of work, cost and funding.

PUBLIC COMMENT and OTHER BUSINESS: None

Motion by Scott, supported by Hoxsie, to adjourn the meeting. No discussion. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a document from the official records of the township.

Lisa Swanson, Acme Township Clerk



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A. CALL TO ORDER WITH PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL

C. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment periods are provided at the beginning and end of each meeting agenda. Members of the public may address the Board regarding any subject of community interest during these periods. Comment during other portions of the agenda may or may not be entertained at the moderator's discretion.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion on Legislative Direct Spending Item (LDSI)

F. PUBLIC COMMENT & OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

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