

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

3/18/2025

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Laureto at 7:30 PM. The meeting was held in the Glen Arbor Township Meeting Room.

Roll Call –B. Hawley, P. Laureto, D. Lewis, and T. Laureto present. J. DePuy absent. Chief Ferguson and two members of the public were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was presented and amended. **Motion B. Hawley, support D. Lewis, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.**

All board members stated they had no conflict of interest with any items on the agenda.

Public Comment: none

Minutes of the 2/18/25 Regular Board Meeting were presented. **Motion D. Lewis, support B. Hawley, to approve the minutes of the 2/18/25 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report as of 2/28/25 – Cash on Hand by Fund Balance was presented

General Fund	\$1,114,238.47	Park Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,488.05
Emergency Services Fund	\$3,713,884.89	Fisher Lake SAD Fund	\$ 49,348.90
GLFD Debt Service Fund	\$ 101,884.59	Tax Collection Fund	\$1,217,428.52

Emergency Services Advisory Commission Report – Clerk Laureto reported that ESAC met and reviewed the monthly checklist and payroll and recommended that the Township Board pay the unpaid checks and payroll. ESAC also recommended that the Township Board approve the request for Boat Electronics.

Clerk's Report – Clerk Laureto reported that General Fund bills from February 19, 2025 through March 18, 2025 totaled \$6,281.51 and the February payroll was \$20,290.75. **Motion D. Lewis, support B. Hawley, to approve the payment of the General Fund bills and payroll. Motion carried unanimously.**

Clerk Laureto reported that Emergency Services bills from February 12, 2025 through March 11, 2025 totaled \$78,387.16 and the February payroll was \$112,136.30. **Motion P. Laureto, support B. Hawley, to approve payment of the Emergency Services bills and payroll. Motion carried unanimously.**

Fire Chief Operations Report – Chief Ferguson reported that he has hired a new full-time Firefighter/ Paramedic who will start work on Friday. The new hire was a part-time employee who is fully trained in department procedures. There were 36 calls in February. The department held a boater safety class which was attended by over 20 Glen Lake Community School students. The department has scheduled an OSHA inspection. Six minor violations were discovered and corrected. The department has been approved through the State of Michigan to sponsor Continuing Education courses. All courses taught in the County will run the them. They have received the \$10,000 check for the Empire Township Engine that was sold. The State Appropriations request has been submitted to Rep. Coffia and Sen. Damoose's offices .

Zoning Administrators Report – Submitted in writing

Monthly Assessors Report – Submitted in writing

Correspondence – The February correspondence is available in the Township Office for review.

Unfinished Business

1. Clerk Laureto informed the Board that the new front doors have been installed. A new ADA accessible threshold has been ordered for the doors.
2. Clerk Laureto informed the Board that arrangements have been made to remove the inactive public WI-FI equipment from the tower. She is awaiting word on whether the project is complete.

New Business

1. The Board discussed the lack of Sherriff coverage for the 2025 events. The Leelanau County Road Commission will not grant permits without proof of proper coverage. The M-22 Challenge has hired the MI State Police to cover their event and the 2 Race Day events will be covered by the NPS. The Board will explore hiring coverage for the 4th of July Parade.
2. Chief Ferguson reviewed the quote for new electronics for the Boat. The current radar and sonar are not working and they are too old to be repaired. The electronics will also include upgrading the lighting to LED which will be much brighter than the current lighting. **Motion B. Lewis, support B. Hawley, to approve the Yacht Solutions quote for new boat electronics. Motion carried unanimously.**

Planning Commission Report: Planning commission representative, Trustee Hawley, said the Commission had a public hearing on three proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Those changes have been submitted to the County for their review and will likely come to the Township Board next month. The Commission has separated Accessory Buildings and Storage Containers from Accessory Dwelling and will continue work on those items.

Public Comment: none

Board Member Comments: none

Supervisor Comments: T. Laureto, Chief Fergus, and the Empire Twp. Supervisor are beginning union negotiations with representatives of the Glen Lake Firefighters Local 5086. The new agreement begins 4/1/2026.

He is still pursuing the missing revenue sharing from American Tower and he plans to arrange for the correct County signage and fire lane painting at the Boat Ramp and LeBear Resort.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Laureto
Township Clerk