

+Minutes of Mikado Township Board Meeting
September 15, 2026

Supervisor Craig Ostby called the Mikado Township Board Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center. He welcomed the nine (9) guests that were present and they joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to our National Flag.

Roll call showed Supervisor Ostby, Clerk Sands, Treasurer Harmon, Trustee Nedo and Trustee Mullins present. No one was absent.

It is necessary to add beer tap cleaning to the agenda at 12C. Motion by Mullins/Harmon to accept the agenda as adjusted. Motion carried.

Public Comment opened at 7:02 p.m. and closed at 7:05 p.m. Comments were heard from two (2) individuals.

Motion by Mullins/Nedo to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2026 as presented. Motion carried.

The Financial Report for August 2026 was given by Treasurer Harmon as follows:

*GENERAL FUND 000-Regular Shares-\$5.00, 020-Savings-\$26,536.25 [\$1,660.00 of this money is earmarked for Playground equip & \$4,036.09 dedicated for a grant from CFNEM, which gives us a working total of \$20,840.66] 300 & 301-CD's \$20,195.08, 040-Checking-\$3300.65.

*ROAD MIF 021-Savings-\$32,405.72, 302-CD \$20,188.51, CD 305 \$60,000.00.

*FIRE MIF 022-61,202.81, CD-\$11,045.47, 304-\$128,777.21

*CC MIF 023-Savings-\$55,955.79 [\$5,062.50 of this money is earmarked for final payment of parking lot which gives us a working total of \$50,893.29]

TAX ACCOUNT 000-Over & Under-\$1,112.71, 020-On Line Payments-\$2,834.45, 040-Checking-\$77,206.35.

Motion by Mullins/Nedo to accept the Financial Report of August as presented. Motion Carried.

An Amendment to the Budget was necessary. In the Revenues, we will add money received from the State for the Public Safety Revenue Sharing and from CFNEM for the Ice Storm Grant in the amount of \$5,128.00. \$4710.00 will be transferred to the Township Board Cost Center in the Expense Account to cover money going to the Sheriff Department (75%) for Public Safety and to Griff & Son for chipping the limbs collected from residents from the ice storm. Motion by Mullins/Harmon we adopt Budget Amendment #2026-2027.03 described above. Roll call vote, Nedo=yes, Sands=yes, Harmon=yes, Ostby=yes, Mullins=yes. Budget Amendment was declared adopted.

Motion by Harmon/Mullins to approve the Bills presented in the amount of \$18,181.56. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

District 3 County Commissioner: Commissioner Carolyn Brummund of District #3 was not

present.

Assessor: Nancy Schwickert was present. She has been receiving address changes.

Roads & Bridges: Supervisor Ostby commented that the Road Commission is working on our road projects. The Pine River Bridge on F-30 is being watched because of logs jamming at the bridge and creating problems. Road signs are disappearing in our township and they are being replaced. The bridge on Cruzen Road is still on the list for replacement.

Fire Chief: FC Wayne Odell was present. He mentioned the FD responded to ten (10) calls in August. Wayne submitted the Michigan Fire Equipment Grant for \$49,200.00 and the Par Plan Grant for \$1,700 with no match required on either. Wayne & the fire chiefs from Lincoln & Harrisville met with Consumers Energy for information regarding the solar projects. Consumers will provide training and equipment for the solar project.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: OEO John Moran was present with no report. Supervisor Ostby made comments.

Planning Commission: Trustee Mullins reported that they met on September 3rd. With two new members in attendance, they reviewed the bylaws of the commission that was changed the previous month. In December they will choose the new chairperson and secretary. Their plan is to have the public hearing for the zoning ordinance updates at the December 3rd meeting. Oct 23rd is when the clerk will have the newspaper ad to submit to the Alcona Review for this hearing.

UPDATES:

The Events Committee Meeting was held on September 8th with Four (4) people in attendance. A Trick or Trunk is planned here at the Civic Center Parking Lot on October 30th from 4:00 to 7:00 in the evening. Those wishing to participate will be set up by 4:00. The Fire Department, EMS and Sheriff are invited to attend. Motion by Mullins/Harmon to allow the Events Committee to use the CC Parking Lot for this event. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for October 13th at 6:00 pm.

FC Wayne and AFC Tim attended a workshop on emerging Issues in Emergency Services. Both of them found it very interesting and educational. They shared some issues with the clerk and treasurer.

PENDING BUSINESS:

The grant request from the state for the Kahn's property is finalized. Supervisor Ostby received notice that the contamination found on the property is within limits of the state and they can't help us with the demolition. Supervisor Ostby will start looking for other grants for this purpose.

Referring to the grant we received from the CFNEM for Ice Storm clean-up, Griff & Son is done with the chipping of debris collected from the residents and the gate is now locked.

Motion by Mullins/Nedo to adopt Resolution #26.15 regarding the removal of Ordinance Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator John Moran from mentioned position. Roll call vote, Ostby-yes, Nedo-yes, Harmon-yes, Mullins-yes, Sands-yes. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Mullins/Harmon to adopt Resolution #26.16 regarding the appointment of Craig Ostby to serve as Ordinance Enforcement Officer. Roll call vote, Ostby-yes, Mullins-yes, Nedo-yes, Sands-yes, Harmon-yes. Resolution adopted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion was held on winter plowing of the Civic Center and the Fire Hall. Motion by Mullins/Nedo to advertise for bidders for this job. Motion carried.

Motion by Ostby/Mullins to do an ad for civic center and pavilion rentals on a placemat sold by the Eastern Star Chapter in Lincoln. Cost \$50.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Harmon/Mullins to increase the cost of beer tap use in the bar to \$80.00 to cover the cost of the professional cleaning. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Attorney Freel has communicated that he does not have time to review the zoning ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Nedo/Mullins we adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried.

Orders 23340– 23380 were presented and paid.

Receipts 335-358 were received and recorded.

Rita D. Sands, Clerk

Craig Ostby, Supervisor

Motion to accept by: _____ Seconded by : _____ Date: _____