

ALAIEDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

Monday, January 12, 2026

The Alaiedon Township Board meeting held Monday, January 12, 2026 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Steven Lott.

Members present: Supervisor Steven Lott, Clerk Kimberly Hafley, Treasurer Scott Everett, Trustee Kurt Kranz, Trustee Beth Smith and Deputy Clerk Paulette George.

Others present: Gary Bradish, Scott O'Berry, Maria Juras, Alissa Day, Julie Miller, Louise Rabidoux and Rick and Kristin Kibbey.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Trustee Kranz, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve the Board of Trustee minutes of the December 8, 2025 meeting as printed.

Motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Trustee Kranz, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve the revised agenda, including correspondence – Receipt of the November 2025 Ingham County Sheriff's report and persons from the floor (Ben Tirrell of ITC and Gary Bradish)

Motion carried.

Persons from the Floor

Ben Tirrell provided an overview of the proposed Oneida to Sabine Lake transmission line. Key points included:

- The line will span approximately 50 miles, running from Grand Ledge to Fowlerville.
- Poles will be placed 800 to 1,200 feet apart.
- Poles will be approximately 6 foot in diameter at the base and 120 to 180 feet tall.
- A 200-foot easement is required (100 foot each side of the pole).
- Routes are preliminary, once establish, an application will be submitted Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC)
- The MPSC has one year to review, approve, or suggest changes to the proposed route.
- Proposed construction start date is 2030.
- The project has been part of the regional electric grid planning process for approximately 15 years.
- Approximately 5% of current residential rates is designated for transmission infrastructure.
- ITC operates independently from the power companies.
- Noise from the line was compared to that of a running household refrigerator.
- Infrastructure upgrades were planned prior to concerns about data centers.
- Residents were encouraged to attend upcoming ITC listening sessions or contact ITC directly with questions.

Gary Bradish, resident expressed his concerns regarding the proposed data center in the City of Mason, including related zoning and ordinance changes. He asked how

the Township Board and those in attendance felt about data centers and the proposed transmission line. Approximately 50% of the residents present expressed opposition to the transmission lines passing through the township.

Public Comment:

Alyssa Day, resident, spoke regarding the proposed data center in the City of Mason. One proposed site is across from the Angel Acres Subdivision near Howell Road and Cedar Street (in VeVay Township). She requested that Alaiedon Township enact a moratorium on data centers, noting the township ordinance does not currently address them. She offered to share research she has conducted on data center ordinances and moratoriums form across the county.

Sue Hengemuehle, resident expressed support for enacting a data center moratorium.

Louise Rabidoux, resident, thanked the Board for their service and stated her appreciation for the township's rural character, expressing hope that it remains unchanged.

Rick Kibbey, resident, stated he has attended several City of Mason meeting regarding the data center and feels the city has been distrustful to the community, which is affecting surrounding townships.

Maria Juras, resident, expressed her love for of the township community but stated she does not believe the proposed power line would be an asset.

Julie Miller, resident, expressed her concerns over the proposed data center.

Old Business

None

New Business

2025/2026 Budget Amendments

Motion by Trustee Smith, supported by Trustee Kranz, to approve the following budget amendments:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Increase</u>
101-191-728-000	Computer Purchases Office	\$2,750.00	\$2,250.00

Motion carried.

Board Reports

Supervisor Lott, reported that the Board will recommend the Planning Commission review the need to add data center language to the Township Ordinance and that the matter will also be discussed with the Township Attorney.

Clerk Hafley, reported that the office staff has completed a welcome brochure addressing frequently asked questions regarding routine Township matters. The office is also developing a comprehensive welcome packet for both residents and business, which is currently in the final stages of completion.

Claims

Motion by Treasurer Everett, supported by Trustee Kranz, to pay the following invoices:

- General Fund: Checks #17406 - #17440 and electronic transfers #1558-#1569, totaling \$43,109.16.
- Tax Account: Checks #7736 - #7764 and two electronic transfers #82-#83, totaling \$2,310,972.34.
- Trust & Agency: Electronic transfers #379-#381, totaling \$7,043.90.

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Kranz, supported by Treasurer Everett, to adjourn at 7:48 p.m.
Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by:
Paulette George, Deputy Clerk.

Kimberly Hafley, Township Clerk