

NEWKIRK TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

TUESDAY March 31, 2026

The regular meeting of the Newkirk Township was held Tuesday March 31, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Newkirk Township Hall.

Called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Visitors: Members from Lakes of Fire, Lake County Sheriff and Under Sheriff, (numerous residents), Andy Treiber Village President, Don Nixon Fire Chief

Agenda approval R. Hall made the motion to approve February 17, 2026, agenda, S. Gray supported, **motion carried 5-0**

Approval of February 17, 2026, draft minutes, and financial report, R. Hall made the motion to approve M. Gray supported, **motion carried 5-0**

Budget Amendments: none

Expenses:

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| a. 18.17 | Consumers | streetlight |
| b. 98.95 | The Pioneer | Board meeting dates |
| c. 2.26 | LC Treasurer | Chargebacks |
| d. 99.98 | LC Treasurer | Chargebacks |
| e. 30.46 | GL Energy | streetlight |
| f. 195.00 | Gus Motzer | Bor |
| g. 195.00 | Ron DenBraber | Bor |
| h. 56.00 | Cheryl Fullerton | Election Mileage |

R. Hall made the motion to pay the expenses, S. Gray supported, **motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.**

New Business:

- a. The board meeting was turned over to **Lakes of Fire and area residents** for some Questions and Answers for a couple hours. A possible Special Meeting may be scheduled soon.
- b. Brine Agreement was approved for no more than \$8,000. R. Hall made a motion to approve, and S. Gray seconded, **motion carried on a roll call vote 5-0**

Old Business:

- a. Blite on Old M63 is pretty much cleaned up, there are going to be renovations on the camper. Residents will provide pictures with updates. Once the board is satisfied, costs will be presented.

C. Fullerton made the motion to suspend the regular meeting for Budget Hearing at 8:21pm
M. Gray seconded the motion, **motion carried 5-0**

Budget Hearing:

C. Fullerton motion to approve the 2026/2027 Proposed Budget after a few adjustments, M. Gray seconded the motion, **motion carried 5-0**

C. Fullerton made the motion to end Budget Hearing at 8:52pm then reconvened to Regular meeting. M. Gray seconded the motion, **motion carried 5-0**

Additional visitor comments: Sheriff gave county updates, railroad is coming back, etc.

Adjournment: R. Hall made the motion to adjourn the meeting, G. Allan supported. **Motion approved 5-0** Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

CADILLAC VOTERS WILL VOTE AT THE SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP HALL 7257 W 48 ROAD, CADILLAC, MI FOR THE MAY 5TH SCHOOL ELECTION

Cheryl J. Fullerton

Newkirk Township Clerk

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