

The regular meeting of Macon Township was held on March 9, 2026 at 7:00p.m. with Supervisor Dean Montrief presiding. Roll call: Dean Montrief: present; Julia Marshall: present; Beth DeJonghe: present; Joe Rine: present; Charley Downing: present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Important Dates:

Township Board Meeting April 6, 2026 at 7p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting April 15, 2026 at 7p.m.

Public Comment:

John Greiner 12491 Welch Rd. – public comment was heard. Read an open letter to all voting Americans from Matthew Witte, Ph. D Systems engineering. The letter is attached to the minutes.

Mary Tommelein 511 Oneida – public comment was heard regarding Lake Ridge Cemetery. A letter and petition was given to the township board.

Nancy Peltcs 8880 Smith Rd. – public comment was heard regarding Hand Counting Elections. Flyer is attached to the minutes.

Rhonda Cheever 966 Macon Hwy. – public comment was heard regarding Lake Ridge Cemetery. 9 veterans are buried in Lake Ridge Cemetery. Checking with the VA regarding perpetual care for veterans gravesites

Clarissa Call 8290 Clinton-Macon Rd. – public comment was heard regarding supporting Lake Ridge Cemetery and not in favor of the cell phone tower.

James Call 8300 Clinton-Macon Rd. – public comment was heard regarding the cell phone tower. Not in favor of it. Is there room for it to be built?

Joe Rine moved, seconded by Charley Downing to approve the February 2, 2026 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Dean Montiref announced that a draft of the minutes will be posted on the website. They will have the word draft through it and after they are approved at the township meeting, they will be posted on the website.

Treasurer's Report:

Ledger Account Balances:

Solar Account Balance remains the same at \$1,764.46

Fire Account: Receipts: \$89.14. Disbursements: \$2,456.25. Total balance in the Fire Account: \$72,959.44

Road Account: No receipts. No Disbursements. Total balance in the Road Account: \$390.15

Cemetery Account. No receipts. Disbursements: \$2,635. Total balance in the Cemetery Account \$28,327.02

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund: Receipts: \$1.60. No disbursements. Total balance in the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund \$16,046.07

General Fund: Receipts: \$288.20. Disbursements: \$29,699.84. Total balance in the General Fund \$166,560.24

Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to approve the ledger account balances. Motion carried.

Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Charley Downing to pay all bills. Motion carried.

Beth DeJonghe moved, seconded by Joe Rine to withdraw the CD from Blissfield State Bank that matures on March 9, 2026 and deposit it in the CD at Blissfield State Bank on or within 10 days of March 28, 2026 to garner a better interest rate with a larger CD. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- a. Security Cameras – received a quote from Creek Enterprises for a camera that is capable of doing 24 hour security monitoring for \$3,421.04. The quote for the required dropbox camera was \$2,454.56. Jim Call will contact Dean with other options. Tabled until next month.
- b. The minute/township pamphlet box will be installed at the township hall by the next meeting.

New Business:

- a. Ridgeway Fire Department contract was received. It is a \$60,000 annual fee for one year. Discussion. Dean will contact Ridgeway and Village of Clinton regarding runs and it was tabled until next month.
- b. Lawn Contract. Received 2 bids for lawn mowing. Our current 3 year contract has ended. Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to approve the contract with Backwoods Lawn & Snow LLC. Motion carried.
- c. Lenawee County Road Commission – Discussion regarding the proposed Road Contracts. Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Charley Downing to approve the following road projects for 2026:
 1. Welch Rd: Ford Hwy to Ridge Hwy. 3.03 miles Shoulder removal and 2 inches of Limestone \$108,373.06
 2. Smith Rd: Township Line to Ridge Hwy. 2.74 miles Shoulder removal and 2 inches of Limestone \$82,408.24
 3. Milan Rd: Ridge Hwy. to County Line 0.33 miles Shoulder removal and 2 inches of Limestone \$13,266.41
 4. Tangent Rd: Ford Hwy to Welch Rd. 0.49 miles Shoulder removal and 2 inches of Limestone \$21,700.35
- d. Reviewed the proposed 2026-2027 budget. Discussion. Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to accept the proposed budget. Roll call: Dean Monrief: yes; Julia Marshall: yes; Beth DeJonghe: yes; Joe Rine: yes; Charley Downing: yes. Motion carried.

Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to keep County National Bank as our primary bank and Wesbanco as our secondary bank. Motion carried.

Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to keep the date and time of our meetings the same as last year. The 1st Monday of each month unless it falls on a holiday and the meetings to begin at 7p.m. Motion carried.

- e. Fireworks permit. Julia Marshall moved, seconded by Beth DeJonghe to approve the ACE Pyro, LLC Fireworks permit for April 25, 2026 at Indian Creek Campground and Conference Center. Motion carried.

Beth DeJonghe moved, seconded by Julia Marshall to adjourn the meeting at 8:09p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

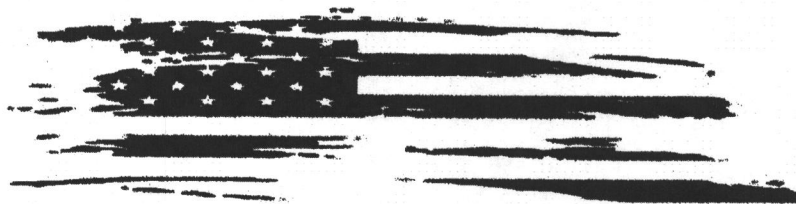


Julia Marshall

Clerk

Macon Township

Guests: 17



An open letter to all voting Americans

The right to vote is constitutionally guaranteed to American citizens. When maladministration of elections occurs, our fundamental right to select our representation is lost.

Based on analysis of public data, it is clear that our elections are not administered fairly. For years, the number of registered voters in Michigan has exceeded the voting age population. Our **voter rolls have more voters registered than there are people of voting age living in the state!** We have no assurance that ballots go out to only real voters when the voter registration rolls are "dirty." In Michigan, the 2020 general election was certified with nearly **twenty thousand more ballots cast than the number of identifiable voters.** Careful study of the ballots cast statewide reveals an impossible pattern in voter turnout. The relation between the number of voters registered and the number of ballots cast (**voter turnout**) **is exactly the same in every county!** This suggests that **ballots were issued and cast systematically** over and above requests by actual voters.

Elections belong to We the People. It is up to each of us to take action now. By reading this, you are at the first step: recognition of the problem. The second step is how to solve it. We the People must work together. As citizens, we have the constitutional power to restore fair elections. It takes a lot of us to do it. Please share this letter. Then contact me at handcountlenawee@proton.me. By taking these two simple actions, you will make the difference.

Matthew Witte, Ph.D. Systems Engineering



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Return to Hand Counting

EXPRESS TRAINING

EMPOWER the PEOPLE



Hand Count Training
in 60 minutes



In about 60 minutes a single trainer can teach from 5 to 500 people (or more) how to hand count. This creates a legion of election workers ready to hand count elections across the country. America's greatest strength is the citizens who rise to the occasion, just like they did in the 1940's by planting Victory Gardens to feed the nation. Hand counting elections will "Empower the People" and is our foundational strategy for hand counting. It is "the Victory Gardens" of our day.

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