

Bennington Township
May 4, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

The Bennington Township regular board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Cody Baker on May 4, 2026, 7:00pm, at the Township Hall.

Present: Jim Forsythe, Maria Carlin, Cody Baker, Larry Johnson, Donna Ash.

Forsythe moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Alton Cemetery Fence. Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

Forsythe moved to approve the minutes for the April 6, 2026 regular board meeting as printed. Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

Forsythe moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Second by Johnson. All board members in favor. Motion carried.

Forsythe moved to pay bills as presented in the amount of \$308,832.68. Second by Johnson. All board members in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

J. Smith – Questioned if there were any proposed solar farms in the area.

A. Norton – Present to discuss the option of placing a bench at the basketball court in memory of a family member.

Board Reports:

Library – Sayles – Update of activities.

Plan Comm – Ash – Recommended approval of one land division and reviewed concerns in regards to the County Zoning Ordinance Draft.

- Forsythe moved concur with the Township Planning Commission an approve Land Division application #PLD25-0027 for Athey, parcel #010-09-300-004. Second by Johnson. All board members in favor. Motion carried.
- Shiawassee County Zoning Ordinance Draft recommendations/concerns
 - Anti-keyholing/anti-funneling for waterfront property is no longer included.
 - Accessory builds on vacant properties not included/allowed
 - Accessory Structures height limit
 - Elimination of the 2 ½ acre maximum on A-2 property requirement.

Roads – Baker – Culvert need on Brewer Road

- Johnson moved to approve the agreement with Shiawassee County Road Commission to replace a culvert on Brewer Road between Friegel Road and Ruess Road at a cost of \$3,659.30. Second by Forsythe. All board members in favor. Motion carried.

Sherriff Deputy Braidwood – Present to field any questions or concerns.

County Comm Garber – Update of county activities.

Old Business:

Web Site ADA Accessibility – Deadline for compliance has been extended to April 26, 2028.

New Business:

Alton Cemetery Fence – Johnson moved to accept the bid from Spartan Fence to replace 9 posts on the east side of Alton Cemetery and reinsert existing rails at a cost of \$2500.00. Second by Carlin. All board members in favor. Motion carried.

Forsythe moved to adjourn. Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

Adjournment at 7:22pm

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Ash, Clerk