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**GRAND LEDGE AREA EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY  
MEETING**

**DECEMBER 15, 2025**

**6:00 p.m.**

**AT 500 N. CLINTON STREET, GRAND LEDGE, MICHIGAN 48837**

1. Roll Call: Present: Chairman Willems, Secretary Lantz, Treasurer Schultz Vice Chair Mulder, Trustee Stahelin, Chief Roman. Also, Present were Members of Glaesa, and the Township and the Cty. and representing Veridus Katie Jacobs, representing Williams Architects Kim Nigro and Mark Bushhouse, The Christman Company represented by Rob Crowe and Jake Nelson,.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was given.
3. Audience Participation. Zack, told the Board of his feelings regarding the new health insurance and the cost share for the employees.
4. Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Mr. Stahelin and supported by Mr. Lantz. Motion Carried. October Minutes were approved in a motion made by Mr. Mulder and supported by Mr. Lantz. Motion Carried.
5. Approval of Regular Agenda. Motion was made by Mrs. Schultz and supported by Mr. Lantz to approve the Regular Agenda. Motion Carried.
6. Committee and Board Reports:
  - A. Building Committee: Veridus Update was presented by Katie Jacobs. She introduced the team working on the proposed new station and millage. She gave A Pre-Bond Services Update. The Agenda for the night included introductions, General Project Update, Existing Facility Condition Assessment, Initial Site Layout Concepts, Preliminary Cost Estimates and the Schedule and Budget. ( a copy is attached to these minutes.)

The General Update on the facilities assessment was a 1-2 with a scale of 4 being the best and 1 the worst. The current facility is not in good condition and the lot is too small. Also not having a decontamination site apart from the apparatus bay is not a good thing.

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She gave site plans and cost estimates for a New Main Station at the Clinton Street Site of 21, 883 sq. ft. option one and option two of 24,715 aq. ft. She also discussed Site Plans for New Satellite Station at the Clinton Street Site Plan of 11,400 sq. ft. and Site Plan Adaptive Reuse plan of 11,979 sq. ft.

She then discussed Initial Site Plan Layout Concepts for Hartel Road Site. Option one and two both would be 27,100 sq. ft. (see the attached report.)

The primary cost estimates for the above option for the new station at Hartel Road is \$18,51 million. For just one main station. Cost estimate for a satellite station and main station is 24.24 Million.

Katie gave the Scope / Schedule and Budget report for the coming months. Ending with a proposed May election for the project.

B. Finance Committee:

Audit Report as requested by the board for estimated future projected costs was given by Bethany Zerble. It outlined our budget for the next 6 years and shows that we have good financial planning for the future purchases that may be necessary.

The Annual Audit was presented by Ilie Thomanson of Maner Costarian. She reviewed with the Board the annual Audit and said we are good financial condition.

C. ISO REPORT: SKIP STARLING. Mr. Starling discussed the ISO Rating and how it effects the cost of home insurance and the need for a custom pumper to raise the ISO rating as well as using ponds for water supply. He also noted that the Chief would be tested.

D. No Action

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- E. Public Education: Chief noted that they would be working on the survey for the new station and educating people about the need for it.
- F. No action.

7. Fire Chief / Staff Reports.

- A. Monthly Run Activity: EMS total runs 199. Fire Runs Total 75.
  - 1. The new Ambulance will be here Friday. Then it will go out for outfitting and signage.

8. Old Business:

- A. No action.

9. New Business:

10. Financial Statements and Bills November 1, 2025 to November 30, 2025. Motion was made by Mr. Stahelin and supported by Mr. Mulder to pay the bills as presented. Motion Carried.

1. Audience Participation: Mr. Weaver questioned the flexibility for growth at the Hartel site for the new station.

2. Communications from the Board. Mr. Mulder wanted to be sure the board realized the need for the Phase two survey of the Hartel Site. After discussion, Motion was made by Mr. Mulder to move forward with Phase 2 Survey and to authorize the chief to expend up to \$15,000.00 in additional monies for this project. Mr. Stahelin supported the motion. Motion Carried.

10 Motion to go into closed session was made by Mr. Mulder he moved that the Board meet in closed session under section 8 © of the open meetings act, for strategy sand negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement as requested by the GLAESA Board. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Mrs. Schultz, Mr. Stahelin, Mr. Mulder, Mr. Lantz, Mr. Willems. Nay: None. Motion Carried,

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Motion to come out of closed session made by Mr. Lantz and supported by Mr. Mulder. Motion Carried. Motion made to adjourn at 9:35 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jan Schultz.

APPROVED:

  
Mr. Don Willems, Chairman

  
Mr. Rick Lantz, Secretary