

GRAND LEDGE AREA EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY

MEETING

MAY 18, 2026

6:00 p.m.

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

1. Roll Call: Present: Chairman Willems, Secretary Lantz, Treasurer Schultz, Trustee Mulder, Chief Roman. Excused: Stahelin. Also, Present were Members of Glaesa, and Oneida Township, and Representatives of Christman Construction.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was given.
3. Audience Participation. There was none.
4. Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion was made to approve the Minutes of April 27, Special Meeting 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. Mulder to approve the Regular Agenda. Motion Carried.
6. Committee and Board Reports:
 - A. Building Committee: Mr. Gilespie updated the Board on the percentage of voters who voted in the Bond Election held May 5, 2026. He also discussed reasons that he had heard as to why people did not approve the Bond issue.
Chief Roman asked what happens after May 5, 2026. There was discussion on how to proceed and keep the public informed and not to give up. Mr. Mulder noted that the Building Committee and the group who has worked with us will be meeting soon to regroup and discuss how to proceed.
7. Fire Chief / Staff Reports.
 - A. Monthly Run Activity: EMS total runs 188 Fire Runs Total 79.
 - B. Chief discussed Active Shooter workshop in August and AVI information. He has worked with Mason Public School, Michigan Credit Union in the past month.
 - C. Chief discussed the Fire activity for the month.

D. Chief advised the Board of a Badge Pinning to be held at next months meeting for New Captain Russian.

8. Old Business:

A. No action.

A. New Business: Financial Transactions for April 1, 2026 thru April 30, 2026. Motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Mr. Lantz and supported by Mr. Mulder. Motion Carried.

B. Chief Roman reviewed the Draft Budget for 2026-2027 with the Board.

9. Audience Participation: Mr. Weaver discussed clarification of the two-mill operational millage, and how important it is to help the public understand what it pays for.

Mulder asked if the August millage request had been submitted. It had been. Mr. Lantz discussed a Communications Specialist. Mr. Lantz made a motion to make Mr. Gilespie of Christman Construction Communication Specialist for the August Election. Mr. Mulder supported. Motion Carried.

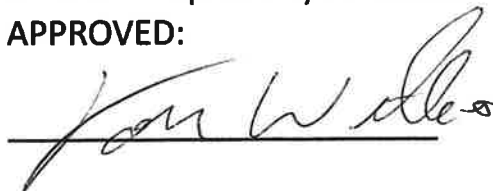
10. Communications from Authority Board Members. Mr. Mulder discussed the failed bond issue and said he was not discouraged. We will keep moving forward. Mr. Willems asked about the MTA Grant. The Chief said the dead line is June 19, 2026 and it is for \$50,000.

11. Closed Session: None.

12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lantz and supported by Mr. Mulder. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:26p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jan Schultz.

APPROVED:



Mr. Don Willems, Chairman



Mr. Rick Lantz, Secretary