

Duplain Township – April 8, 2026

The April 8, 2026 regular meeting of Duplain Township, 145 W Main Street, Elsie, Michigan was called to order by Bruce Levey, supervisor, at 7:30 pm. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Bruce Levey, Amy Bowen, Ryan Boots, Robert Ladiski, and Dawn D Levey

Guests: Mark Holley, assessor; Deputy Ruggiero, Clinton County Sheriff Department;

Agenda: The agenda was presented for approval with the addition cemetery clean-up to set a date. It was moved by R. Boots to approve the agenda as amended, supported by R. Ladiski. Approved.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 11, 2026 regular meeting were presented for review and approval. It was moved by R. Ladiski to approve the minutes as presented, supported by R. Ladiski. Approved.

Special Reports:

- a. Deputy Ruggiero, Clinton County Sheriff Department. A written report was provided and is available upon request. January 1 to present 207 calls for service. An increase, but criminal activities remain low. Duplain Township is a safe and stable community. Question and answer period.

Financial Reports: Amy Bowen, treasurer, presented the monthly financial reports

• General Fund	\$390,982.22
○ Money Market	\$56.42
○ Savings	\$185.00
○ CD	\$15,128.09
• EMS	\$236,546.32
○ Savings	\$5.00
• Roads	\$242,370.03
○ Savings	\$5.00
• Dam & Fish Passage	\$18,210.56
○ Money Market	\$142.25
○ Savings	\$5.00
• Tax Account	\$000.00
○ Savings	\$5.00

It was moved by R Boots to approve the financial reports, pending audit. Supported by R Ladiski. Approved.

Correspondence: An email was received regarding the internet installation – Frontier/Verizon. Drain update received from the Clinton County Drain Commission.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

Old Business:

- a. Roads/Bridges – Some road work is being completed on a limited basis due to weather conditions.
- b. Dam Project Update – Mussel relocation update was provided – First trip June 5 through June 12th with work beginning on the 6th. The partial metabarcoding results were received from USFWS – snuffbox mussels were detected downstream however, were not detected upstream, this is good news. Regarding the permit submission – a few changes were made addressing concerns outlined by the MDNR, submission is expected this week.
- c. Mark Holley – Two people attended Board of Review, very quiet. 1-2% property evaluation increases, farm ground up 30%. Duplain Township is very well assessed. Not anticipating major changes in 2027.

New Business:

- a. Fire Update: 4 fire runs, 26 rescue runs in February. The department sold the light tower \$3,500; Fire House Subs - \$38,000 grant received for spreaders, cutters, batteries and charges. The fire house is coming together, and looks good. Three new hires have joined to help out. Extra equipment has been sold. Relationships are improving with area departments.
- b. Ambulance Update – D Levey re-elected as recording secretary. Note that Maple Rapids will be withdrawing from the authority 2026-27.
- c. Michigan Township Association Conference April 21
- d. Election Updates – Preparations are underway for the 2026 Elections. Inspector training June 8, 9, 10, 2026. Village Candidate paperwork is available and is due July 21, 2026, 4pm
- e. Cemetery Cleanup – Community clean-up Saturday, May 2, 9 am. Supervisor will provide refreshments.

County Commissioners Report: None.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: None

Expenditures: Expenditures were presented for approval. It was moved by R. Ladiski and supported by R Boots to approve expenditures totaling \$61,669.97. Approved.

Things That Need to Be Discussed: Discussion on the millage request and park concerns. Michigan Class discussion.

Adjournment: It was moved by R. Ladiski and supported by R Boots to adjourn.
Approved 8:37 pm.

Submitted by,

Dawn D Levey, Duplain Township Clerk

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