

**Luce Township Board Minutes
July 1, 2026
6:00 pm**

Attendance:	Lisa Hemmer, Board President Daryl Woolard, Board Member Linda Garrett, Clerk Steve Lindauer Melissa Middleton, Kincaid Insurance	Rick Garrett, Board Secretary Jeremy Gorman, Trustee Todd Daming, Fire Chief Angela Wallis
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Meeting was called to order by President Hemmer at 6:00 pm.

Approval of March 11, 2026 Board Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the March 11, 2026, meeting: Rick Garrett

Motion second: Daryl Woolard

Vote: 3 – 0

Transfer of Glendale Cemetery Property

Resolution 2026-002 Disposition of Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery Property

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2026-002: Daryl Woolard

Motion Second: Rick Garrett

Vote: 3 – 0

This resolution has been made part of the minutes beginning on page 179.

Resolution 2026-003 Acceptance of Transfer of Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery Property from Steve Lindauer

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2026-003: Daryl Woolard

Motion Second: Rick Garrett

Vote: 3 – 0

This resolution has been made part of the minutes beginning on page 181.

Signing of Deeds

Quit Claim deed for property transferred to Steve Lindauer was signed by Jeremy Gorman.
Warranty Deed for property transferred to Luce Township was signed by Steve Lindauer.
Both deeds were notarized by Angela Wallis.

Review of Insurance – Melissa Middleton, Kincaid Insurance Group, Inc.

Melissa Middleton presented a review of the accidental death and dismemberment insurance policy which provides both on duty and off duty benefits and the blanket policy with income protection which provides on duty death and impairment benefits and income protection benefits.

There will be no changes to the accidental death and dismemberment policy for the 2026/2027 policy term.

The blanket policy previously provided line of duty cancer benefits, but that has been removed and the policy now provides a line of duty cancer diagnosis benefit for specific stated cancer diagnoses.

The current policy provides income protection up to \$500 weekly if a member is injured and cannot work at their regular job. This department has many members who hold skilled positions that have a salary well above the \$500 per week covered. Increasing the benefit to \$1,000 per week would increase the policy cost \$287 annually and increasing the benefit to \$1,500 per week would increase the policy cost \$793 annually for a three-year period.

Motion to raise the income protection benefit to \$1,500 weekly: Rick Garrett

Motion Second: Daryl Woolard

Vote: 3 – 0

Fire Department Report – Todd Daming, Chief

Chief Daming presented a midyear report which has been made available in these minutes on page 184.

Luce Township Regional Sewer Board Appointment

Township Board appointee, Jake Goodwin, resigned from the Luce Township Regional Sewer Board on April 12 due to work responsibilities and personal reasons. Steve Buse has agreed to fill the remainder of the four-year term.

Motion to appoint Steve Buse to fill the remainder of the four-year term ending on December 31, 2029: Rick Garrett

Motion Second: Lisa Hemmer

Vote: 3 – 0

Report on Beauty Shop Improvements

The work has been completed. There were some questions concerning quality of work and nail pops that occurred while work was being completed. Final walk through with Daniel Jenkins, contractor, Mike Epperson, consultant, and Jeremy will be July 2.

Report on Sandale Cemetery

There has been no communication with Mr. Goldman or his attorney since the March 11th board meeting. However, the cemetery has been mowed every two weeks since the middle of May.

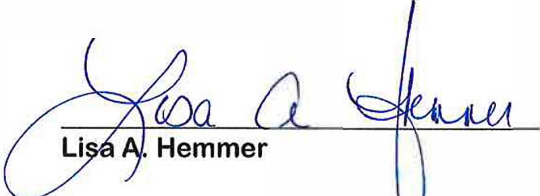
Budget Meetings	August 5th at 5:30 pm – Approve 2027 Salaries & Capital Improvement Plan
	Sept. 2nd at 5:30 pm – Public hearing on 2027 budget
	Sept. 16th at 5:30 pm – 2027 Budget Adoption meeting

Adjournment - Time: 7:10 pm

Motion to Adjourn: Daryl Woolard

Motion Second: Rick Garrett

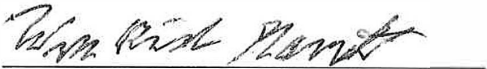
Vote: 3-0



Lisa A. Hemmer



Daryl Woolard



Wm. Rick Garrett

RESOLUTION 2026-002
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION BY EXCHANGE
OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS GLENDALE BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY
LOCATED ON COUNTY ROAD 975 WEST IN LUCE TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Luce Township, Spencer County, Indiana, (the "Board") has indicated a desire to acquire the property where Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery is actually located ("actual cemetery property") which is directly west of the two (2) acres currently listed on Spencer County, Indiana property records and described as follows:

Owner Name: Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery
Legal Description PT NE SW 7 7 R7 2 A
Property Number: 74-14-07-200-006.000-016

(the "legally recognized cemetery property"), and

WHEREAS, in Board minutes dated September 26, 2024, the Board's desire to acquire the actual cemetery property was documented, and the actual cemetery property owner's agreement to exchange the cemetery property for the legally recognized cemetery property was also documented; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-1-11-7, such exchange may only be made after publication of advertisement as provided in IC 36-1-11-4 and public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Luce Township that:

1. The required public hearing concerning the exchange of property has been held as of the date of this resolution; and
2. That the Board now resolves to proceed with the disposition by exchange of the legally recognized cemetery property for the actual cemetery property.

Dated this 1st day of July, 2026.

Luce Township Board

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Lisa A. Hemmer

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Wm. Rick Garrett

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Daryl E. Woolard

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ATTEST:



Jeremy E. Gorman, Trustee

RESOLUTION 2026-003
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT AND EXCHANGE
OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS GLENDALE BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY
LOCATED ON COUNTY ROAD 975 WEST IN LUCE TOWNSHIP
WITH NO MONETARY CONSIDERATION

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-1-11 governs the disposal and exchange of real property by political subdivisions such as Indiana townships; and

WHEREAS, the Township owns certain real estate located on County Road 975 West south of West County Road 300 North, having a legal description of PT NE SW 7 7 R7 containing 2 acres and a State Parcel Number of 74-14-07-200-006.000-016, which is known as Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery, but which does not contain the actual burial sites; and

WHEREAS, a private individual, Steven A. Lindauer, owns certain real estate located at 9773 West County Road 300 North, having a legal description of PT NW NW Sec 7 T 7 R 7 containing 68.00 acres and a State Parcel Number of 74-14-07-200-001.000-016, which contains the actual burial sites known as Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery ; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that exchanging the aforementioned properties will serve the best interests of the public; and

WHEREAS, the fair market values of both properties have been determined to be substantially equal, there will be no cash exchange or additional monetary consideration required from either party; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board conducted a public hearing on July 1, 2026, regarding the proposed exchange, having given notice as required by Indiana Code 5-3-1;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Board of Luce Township, Spencer County, Indiana, that:

1. The Township Board hereby approves the exchange of the Township's real property located at County Road 975 West south of West County Road 300 North, having a legal description of PT NE SW 7 7 R7 containing 2 acres and a State Parcel Number of 74-14-07-200-006.000-016, which is known as Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery for a 0.508 acre portion of the private property located at 9773 West County Road 300 North, having a legal description of PT NW NW Sec 7 T 7 R 7 containing 68.00 acres and a State Parcel Number of 74-14-07-200-001.000-016.

The legal description of the portion to be received is:

A part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 7

South, Range 7 West of the Second Principal Meridian, Luce Township, Spencer County, Indiana and more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a 5/8" rebar at the Southeast corner of said Quarter-Quarter Section; thence along the South line thereof, South 88 degrees 35 minutes 46 seconds West (bearings based upon the Indiana GCS Coordinate System, Spencer Zone 74) 746.98 feet to a 5/8" rebar with plastic cap inscribed "WAGNER LS 21700013" (hereon referred to as a Wagner Cap") at the POINT OF BEGINNING;

thence North 41 degrees 28 minutes 31 seconds West 140.79 feet to a Wagner Cap; thence North 34 degrees 59 minutes 46 seconds East 122.07 feet to a Wagner Cap; thence North 21 degrees 37 minutes 51 seconds West 90.02 feet to a Wagner Cap; thence South 45 degrees 24 minutes 15 seconds West 159.59 feet to a Wagner Cap; thence South 23 degrees 08 minutes 11 seconds East 195.09 feet to a Wagner Cap on said South line;

thence along said South line, North 88 degrees 35 minutes 46 seconds East 93.43 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 0.508 Acres more or less;

which contains the actual burial sites known as Glendale Baptist Church Cemetery pursuant to an exchange of deeds.

2. The Township Trustee is authorized and directed to execute deeds and other necessary closing or transfer documents to finalize the conveyance of real estate between the Township and Steven A. Lindauer.
3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the passage and adoption by the Township Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Township Board of Luce Township this first day of July, 2026.

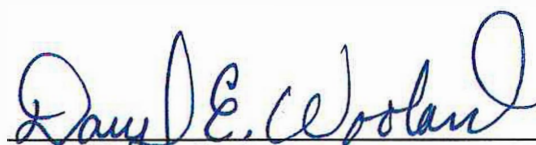
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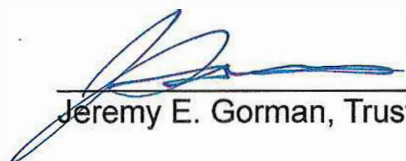


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ATTEST:



Jeremy E. Gorman, Trustee

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MIDYEAR REPORT

As of July 1, 2026, Luce Fire Territory has responded to 195 runs. Roughly 32 per month. Broken down: 104 Medical, 20 Actual Fires, 35 Public Service (Power lines/trees down, suspicious situations, etc), 9 HazMat (Spills or Gas Monitoring), 27 False Alarms or cancelled enroute.

Currently we have 28 firefighters. 6 are brand new since January 1. 1 in May who is an Evansville firefighter. 3 of the 28 are not active.

Projects upcoming. Refurbishing a former EMA trailer for special operations rescue. Grain Bins, confined space, rope rescue. Will be looking into a storage/training building.

Indiana State Law is requiring \$250 for Clothing and \$250 car allowance for active members this year.

2026 truck is waiting on graphics then it will be ready. After that the 1996 Rescue can be sold.

Considering becoming a training hub for Spencer County. Allowing entry level training at a more flexible pace allowing faster onboarding.