

**VILLAGE OF LAWTON  
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN  
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-2026**

**A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE VILLAGE OF LAWTON 2026  
MILLAGE RATES  
A TOTAL OF MILLS**

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At a regular meeting of the Lawton Village Council, held at Lawton Village Hall – 125 S Main Street in Lawton, Michigan, on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

**ABSENT:**

The following Resolution was offered by Councilperson E. Dudek and supported by Councilperson G. Dudek.

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Lawton Village Council has given appropriate notice and held a Public Hearing to make a determination of the proposed property tax increase of mills in the operating tax millage rate to be levied on property in the Village of Lawton in 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, if adopted the proposed millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 2.71%, which is \$22,964.00, over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, if the proposed additional millage rate is not approved, the operating revenue will increase 2.19 % over the preceding year's operation revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Lawton has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Lawton Village Council that the Village shall adopt the following millage rates that were used to calculate the FY 26/27 budget and are at an overall decrease from 2025's total mills of 16.9322: 2026 Village Operating at 11.3700 mills, Village Streets at 4.5477 and Library at .9094 mills to total 16.8271 mills

**THIS RESOLUTION** is hereby approved by roll call vote:

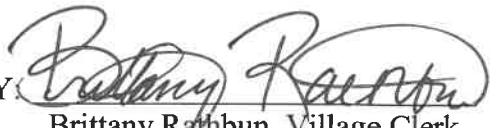
**YEAS: Turner, Tanis, Peterson, G. Dudek, E. Dudek, Appleby**

**NAYS: Raber**

**ABSTAIN: None.**

**ABSENT: None.**

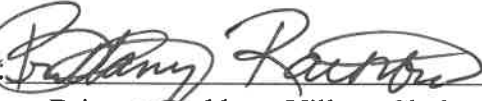
BY:   
Joshua Appleby, Village President

BY:   
Brittany Rathbun, Village Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Brittany Rathbun, the duly appointed Clerk of the Village of Lawton, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lawton Village Council at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026 in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, the minutes of the meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

**THE VILLAGE OF LAWTON**

BY:   
Brittany Rathbun, Village Clerk