



# *Sheriff Scott B. Hodshire*

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Fayette Township Trustees

December 10, 2025

211 North Street

Jonesville, MI 49250

Honorable Board,

I am writing to express my support for Ranger Power's application for a permit for the Heartwood Solar II Project in the Jonesville area. As you may or may not know, Heartwood Solar II has committed to donate hundreds of Thousands of dollars to the Community including the Hillsdale County Sheriff's Office for new body cams. With the generous gift of \$210,000.00, we are able to be accountable and transparent for our actions and relieve the tax payers from this burden of having to come up with these funds. I believe this Company sets the standards for future Companies that want to come into Hillsdale County. I am grateful for the monies that this company is pouring into this low Income County and graciously giving to several different entities.

With Heartwood Solar II coming into Hillsdale County, this will generate tax dollars that the County is in need of. Not only Tax dollars, but the jobs that will be offered to local residents, hotel stays, using our restaurants, using our local stores, etc. I am in full support of Heartwood Soar II wanting to come to Hillsdale County. I would strongly urge the board to vote yes on the permit they are requesting.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Scott B. Hodshire (Hillsdale County Sheriff)

Mission Statement

"To protect and serve our community by maintaining a high standard of honor and integrity through professional service."



# Hillsdale County Community Foundation

For good. For ever.

October 8, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing to express our support for Ranger Power's application for a permit for the Heartwood Solar II Project in the Jonesville area.

Since the spring of 2023, the Hillsdale County Community Foundation has had the opportunity to partner with Ranger Power through the establishment of the Heartwood Solar Fund, created to provide ongoing financial support to organizations serving the Jonesville community. The fund directs its resources to Jonesville Community Schools, enhancing educational opportunities through classroom materials and teacher support, and to local food pantries serving residents of Fayette, Allen, Scipio, and Litchfield Townships, as well as the City of Jonesville.

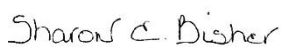
To date, the Heartwood Solar Fund has awarded \$22,369 to ten educational projects and two food pantry initiatives, demonstrating Ranger Power's tangible commitment to the well-being and advancement of the communities in which it operates. This partnership has provided direct benefits to local students and families and reflects a long-term investment in the Jonesville's future.

In addition to their collaboration with the Foundation, Ranger Power has established productive relationships with local stakeholders and civic organizations, including the Economic Development Partnership of Hillsdale County and the Jonesville Rotary Club. The company has also shown a willingness to support public safety by investing in equipment through the Hillsdale County Sheriff's Department.

The Heartwood Solar II Project is projected to generate \$21 million in tax revenue over its lifetime. These funds will provide essential support to local schools, libraries, fire and police departments, roads, and other vital community services. The economic, educational, and community benefits associated with this project make it a valuable and responsible addition to the area.

On behalf of the Hillsdale County Community Foundation, we offer our support for the Heartwood Solar II Project and commend Ranger Power for its continued commitment to philanthropy and sustainable development in our community.

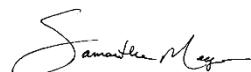
Sincerely,



Sharon E. Bisher  
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Program Director



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Program Officer



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On Behalf of the Jonesville District Library, I would like to express my appreciation and support for the Ranger Power projects happening in the greater Jonesville area. Though the library is not directly involved in the planning and progress of the solar projects, Ranger Power's representatives, Toby Valentino and Brady Friss have been very good at keeping the library informed of the projects. They have both been very helpful with information and answering our questions.

I am also very happy to see the contributions Ranger Power has given to our community, especially the Jonesville Community Schools. The grants they have given to school projects have been very helpful to the teachers, staff, and most importantly the students.

I hope to see future collaborations with Ranger Power and our Jonesville Community. This partnership has the potential to help many people and organizations in the greater Jonesville area.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura Orlowski".

-Laura Orlowski, Library Director  
Jonesville District Library



On behalf of the Jonesville Rotary Club, I would like to express our support for Ranger Power and the local solar projects in the Jonesville area. Since these projects were first introduced to the Jonesville Community, Ranger Power has supported the Jonesville Rotary by sponsoring our annual Pork Supper Fundraiser. We appreciate the opportunity to work together with Ranger Power as we support our community through our Rotary projects, such as Jonesville Community School scholarships, upkeep of the Jerry Russell Trail, and our upcoming Entertainment Pavilion project at Wright St. Park.

Ranger Power's representatives, Toby Valentino and Brady Friss, have made it a priority to make sure information is available and questions are answered quickly. They have both been instrumental in the communication of Ranger Power progress.

The Jonesville Rotary Club looks forward to future opportunities to partner with Ranger Power to help our community.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laura Orłowski". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Laura Orłowski  
Jonesville Rotary Club

**WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**Comet P.R.I.D.E.**



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November 2, 2025

To Mr. Brady Friss,

On behalf of the STEM department at Jonesville's Williams Elementary School, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for awarding us the Heartwood Solar Grant to begin our journey into technology and computer science. Your generous support is without a doubt helping our K-5th grade students explore simple programming concepts while understanding how technology connects to the world around them.

This opportunity has sparked excitement and curiosity among our elementary students. They are learning to think critically, solve problems, and see how science and technology work together to shape a brighter, cleaner future. Your investment in our community's education is not only providing new tools and resources, but also inspiring the next generation of innovators.

Thank you so much for believing in our students and for helping us bring hands-on STEM learning to life. What a wonderful lasting impact you have made to our school and students. I truly appreciate your partnership and commitment to education, our community, and sustainability.

Yours sincere gratitude,

Judy Warner

STEM Instructor, (Williams Elementary School)

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# **Economic Development Partnership Of Hillsdale County**

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*Creating an environment to support opportunity, growth and  
Encouragement to innovate - for all communities, business and citizens.*

Fayette Township  
211 North Street  
Jonesville, MI 49250

Dear Fayette Township Officials:

The Economic Development Partnership of Hillsdale County has had numerous conversations with the principals at Ranger Power and support their investment in our communities through the Heartwood Solar II Project. After hearing the details of the proposed Heartwood Solar II project, we would like to express our support to the Township Board and Planning Commission.

The Heartwood Solar II project represents a significant new investment that over time will provide power to the grid equal to supporting 37,000 households. Tax revenue from this solar project will funnel directly to schools, libraries, police and fire services, roads, community services, and more. In the first year of operation, the Heartwood Solar II project expects to generate over \$814,000 towards Jonesville and Hillsdale schools, \$71,000 towards the local library, \$245,000 towards health and senior services in Hillsdale County, and more leading to over \$1,500,000 of total funding in the first year of operation.

In addition, local farmers, local landowners, and approximately 250 local construction workers will receive stable income that can be spent on goods and services throughout our communities. This influx of money will also benefit our local restaurants, hardware stores, shops and other small businesses. Ongoing operations and maintenance will create additional jobs and revenue for our community.

We encourage your ongoing support of Ranger Power as they work through the planning and implementation of the Heartwood Solar II Project.

Respectfully,

Susan M. Smith, Executive Director  
Economic Development Partnership of Hillsdale County