

Minutes
Isabella County Board of Commissioners
REGULAR BOARD
HYBRID MEETING (IN-PERSON/ELECTRONIC)
Isabella County Commission on Aging Building
2200 S. Lincoln Rd, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858
February 3, 2026
5:00 P.M.

Call To Order by Chairman Engler in conference room A/B of the Commission on Aging, 2200 South Lincoln Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. Hybrid/Meeting (in-person/Electronic).

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was led by Chairman Engler.

Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Tobin Hope, James Moreno, Frank Engler, Steve Swaney, Jerry Jaloszynski.

Absent: Bob Campbell and Steve Weber

Also present: County Administrator/Controller Brian Smith and Isabella County Clerk, Minde B. Lux.

Approval of Agenda:

It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

General Public Comments (for agenda items only): None

Presentations and Special Reports: None

Appointments to Boards and Commissions:

Consent Agenda:

It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve and place on file the January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes; and the January 27, 2026 Finance Committee/Committee of the Whole Minutes. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee/Committee of the Whole:

1. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to ratify and place on file the to ratify and place on file the January 16, 2026 Invoice List in the amount of \$2,328,359.56; the January 23, 2026 Invoice List in the amount of \$517,256.15, and the Adjustments List dated January 15, 2026. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith reviewed each

invoice. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Engler, Swaney, Jaloszynski. Nays: None.

2. It was moved by Commissioner Hope and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the Restructuring of the In-Home Services Program at the Commission on Aging in addition to Budget Amendment 2026-11BOC to accommodate the growing needs of the program, and Authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Engler, Swaney, Jaloszynski. Nays: None.
3. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the Updated Compensation Range for Parks seasonal Employees and permanent part time park rangers, allowing rates to be set between a minimum of current State of Michigan minimum wage and a maximum of the current rate for Grade 1, Step 10 of the County Wage Scale. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Engler, Swaney, Jaloszynski. Nays: None
4. It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the Partial Termination Request for Mary Ann Engler PA116, and instruct the Isabella County Clerk to forward the approved Resolution to the MDA-Farmland and Open Space Program. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Swaney, Jaloszynski. Nays: None Abstain: Engler.
5. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Hope to approve the Contract between the County of Isabella (as the fiscal agent for Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works) and the Gratiot Isabella Regional Education Services District (GIRESD) for rental space, beginning October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Engler, Swaney, Jaloszynski. Nays: None
6. It was moved by Commissioner Hope and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the Budget Amendment #2026-10BOC to move budget for Public Defender Contracted Attorneys to its own line item to satisfy MIDC financial reporting, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Engler, Swaney, Jaloszynski. Nays: None.
7. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the Budget Amendment #2025-25BOC to increase operating transfers out to cover 678 – Self Insurance Fund, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Jaloszynski, Engler, Swaney. Nays: None

Intergovernmental Affairs: None

Administrator/Controller: There will be a Goal Setting Meeting scheduled for April 14th, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. This will be added to the next meeting agenda.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

General Public Comments: None

Announcements:

Commissioner Moreno read information on what Board of Commissioners duties are.

Commissioner Jaloszynski stated that she attended the Northern Michigan of Counties Association. They are looking at mental health plans, road funding and the Americans Act needs to be renewed. Commissioner Hope added that the committee is looking for RFPs on mental health.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Moreno to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 p.m. Motion carried.

APPROVED