

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
June 16th, 2026 – 5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER by Chairman Engler in conference room A/B of the Commission on Aging, 2200 S. Lincoln Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. Hybrid Meeting (In-person/Electronic)

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

ROLL CALL: Commissioners Present: Steven Weber, James Moreno, Tobin Hope, Frank Engler, Bob Campbell and Steve Swaney.

Commissioner Absent: Jerry Jaloszynski

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno supported by Commissioner Hope to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS: None.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

1. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to reappoint Kati Mora to the Great Lakes Bay Michigan Work's Workforce Development Board, for a 2-year term ending June 30, 2028, or until a successor is appointed. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None

2. It was moved by Commissioner Weber and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to appoint Erik Rodriguez to the Great Lakes Bay Michigan Work's Workforce Development Board, for a 2-year term ending June 30, 2028, or until a successor is appointed. Commissioner Hope stated that he does an a very good job on this board. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None
3. It was moved by Commissioner Hope and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to appoint Shawn Vincent to the Great Lakes Bay Michigan Work's Workforce Development Board, for the dedicated labor seat, for a 2-year term ending June 30, 2028, or until a successor is appointed. Commissioner Hope stated that Shawn Vincent is a IBW Local 846 worker and will do a great job on this board. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Campbell to approve and place on file the June 2, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes; and the June 9, 2026 Finance Committee/Committee of the Whole Minutes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee/Committee of the Whole:

1. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to ratify and place on file the May 29, 2026 Invoice List in the amount of \$378,719.79; June 5, 2026 Invoice List in the amount of \$498,195.27; and the Adjustments List dated May 28, 2026. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith commented and explained each invoice. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None
2. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Hope to approve the creation of one (1) new full time IT Technician/Help Desk Position within the Great Lakes Bay

Michigan Works! Department of Information Technology.

Administrator/Controller Biran Smith explained that the County is only a fiduciary on this and also explained the reason for the hire. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None

3. It was moved by Commissioner Weber and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the contract between the County of Isabella (as the fiscal agent for Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works!) and Solar Technology, LLC beginning October 1, 2025 at a cost of \$284,150.00 for Project Phoenix-training, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith explained that this is 100% paid for through Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None
4. It was moved by Commissioner Hope and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Fourth Amendment to the Joint Operation Contract Agreement between the City of Mount Pleasant and the Isabella County Material Recovery Facility, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Commissioner Hope explained the agreement and how the City and County share costs based on a formula. This agreement change is to also go for a single screen plan for that facility. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None
5. It was moved by Commissioner Campbell and supported by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Budget Amendment #2026-21BOC for the General Fund and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith reviewed all the revenue increases along with other changes noted within the Budget Amendments. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Hope and Swaney. Nays: None

Intergovernmental Affairs: None

Administrator/Controller:

The next meeting is cancelled due to the 4th of July. We will meet at the next meeting which is scheduled for July 14th, 2026.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Public Comment:

Lindow Koop stated that he wanted to thank the Commissioners for their service and leadership. He wanted them to all know how much they are appreciated.

Announcements:

Commissioner Moreno read a press release regarding Michigan Department of Health and Education that stated this Summer Electronic EBT Program for healthy food throughout the summer will continue. These meals will ensure to keep children healthy and fed so they have continuous food supply and security. Families can apply for these benefits that will allow them to purchase nutritious food.

Commissioner Engler stated that Council of Government will be located at Coe Township on June 17th, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion by Commissioner Hope and supported by Commissioner Moreno to adjourn at 5:31 p.m.