

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
September 15th, 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, Tobin Hope, James Moreno, Frank Engler, Jerry Jaloszynski, Bob Campbell and Steve Swaney.

Commissioner Absent: None

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Hope and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Tim Lannen stated that he applied for the Parks & Recreation Commission and explained why he did. He has always had a wonderful experience in the parks and he also watches Parks & Recreation Director Alexis Hanson as she presents reports. He saw the need that the board brought forward so he wanted to bring some historic value to the parks.

PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS: None

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- A. Chairperson's request for one opening on the Parks and Recreation Commission – County Citizen Rep, to complete a vacated 3- year term ending December 31, 2027, or until a successor is appointed. Chairman Engler opened up nominations. It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski to nominate Tim Lannen and seconded by Commissioner Swaney. Chairman Engler called for any other nominations three times. A motion was made by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Swaney to close nominations and to cast a unanimous ballot for Tim Lannen. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Weber to approve and place on file the August 26, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes; September 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and the September 8, 2026 Finance Committee/Committee of the Whole Minutes. Motion by Jaloszynski and seconded by Commissioner Hope to postpone the acceptance of the minutes until further council review. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith asked for review of what the board wants as action to the minutes and will consult Prosecuting Attorney Mark Kowalczyk. Motion carried. All ayes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee/Committee of the Whole:

1. It was moved by Commissioner Weber and supported by Commissioner Hope to ratify and place on file the August 28, 2026 Invoice List in the amount of \$337,942.53; September 4, 2026 Invoice List in the amount of \$348,426.89; and the Adjustments List dated February 26, 2026. County Administrator/Controller Brian Smith reviewed the adjustment list. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None
2. It was moved by Commissioner Hope and supported by Commissioner Moreno to approve the budget request for FY27 Child

Care Funds in the amount of \$2,556,723.91, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the form DHS2091. Commissioner Hope explained. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Moreno, Hope, Engler, Campbell, Jaloszynski, Weber and Swaney. Nays: None

3. It was moved by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Contract Modification between Isabella County (as fiscal agent for Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works!) and Conley's Detective & Security Guard Agency, Inc for the contract term of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, Weber and Swaney. Nays: None
4. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the Contract Modification between Isabella County (as fiscal agent for Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works!) and Conley's Detective & Security Guard Agency, Inc for the contract term of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, Weber and Swaney. Nays: None
5. It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Swaney to approve the purchase of an Isabella County Sheriff's Office replacement patrol vehicle in the amount of \$40,506.67 utilizing claim proceeds from MMRMA and the sale of surplus Sheriff's Office Vehicles and/or other available and approved Sheriff's Office Funding, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the necessary budget amendments and purchase documents. Commissioner Jaloszynski stated the amount of \$40,506.67 should state \$46,743.00. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Campbell, Hope, Moreno, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None
6. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the FY2027 Emergency Management Performance Grant Work Agreement, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas:

Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None

7. It was moved by Commissioner Hope and supported by Commissioner Weber to approve the Agreement for Extension Services between Michigan State University and Isabella County for Fiscal Year 2027 I the amount of \$178,724.00 and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None
8. It was moved by Commissioner Campbell and supported by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Individual Services Contracts between the Isabella County Commission on Aging and James VanderMey, Karen Lewandowski, Angela McGuirk, Judith Swartz, Steve Wood and Mary Alsager to provide Activity Services, effective October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2029, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None
9. It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and seconded by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the Region VII Area on Aging Contractual Agreement and other required documents for Fiscal Year 2027 through Fiscal Year 2029 and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same, and therefore, accept the funding for services. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None
10. It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Swaney to approve the Fiscal Year 2027 through Fiscal Year 2029 Isabella County Commission on Aging Nutrition Site Agreements for congregate meal sites with Shepherd United Methodist Church at a rate of \$150.00 per month, Fremont Township-Winn Community Building at a rate of \$300.00 per month, Rosebush Presbyterian Church at a rate of \$100.00 per month and Sherman Township-Weidman at a rate of \$250.00 per month, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None

11. It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the following Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan Semiannual Two-Percent requests for presentation to the Saginaw Chippewa India Tribe by the required date of September 30, 2026. Commissioner Jaloszynski stated that he would like to have the two requests that do not have a priority listed amended so that they reflect which priority that they are. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith stated that he would do so.
ROLL CALL

- Commission on Aging requesting \$572,554.00 for Programs and Services. Applicant Project Priority: Critical
- Isabella County 911/Emergency Management requesting \$47,500.00 for Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Humane Animal Treatment Society requesting \$50,000.00 for Shelter Improvements.
- Isabella County requesting \$53,500.00 for the County Cupola Restoration Project. Applicant Project Priority: High

Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None.

9. It was moved by Commissioner Weber and supported by Commissioner Swaney to approve the Addendum to Agreement for Animal Shelter Services with the Humane Animal Treatment Society, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith explained the request for an extension by HATS. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski. Nays: Swaney.
10. It was moved by Commissioner Hope and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve the Budget Amendment 2026-34BOC for General Fund, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith explained each

change. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None

11. It was moved by Commissioner Campbell and supported by Commissioner Moreno to approve the Budget Amendment 2026-35BOC for Other Funds, and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the same. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith explained each change. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None

Intergovernmental Affairs: None

Administrator/Controller: None

Unfinished Business:

It was moved by Commissioner Moreno and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to move to approve the Recommended Camping Reservation Fee Increases effective October 3, 2026 including nightly camping at Deerfield Nature Park; nightly camping, cabin rentals, 30-night stays and seasonal reservations at Coldwater Lake Family Park; nightly camping, cabin rentals, 30-night stays and seasonal reservations at Herrick Recreation Area. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None

New Business:

It was moved by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Swaney to approve the Isabella County Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Resolution and General Appropriations Act, Resolution No. 2026-06. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, and Jaloszynski. Nays: Swaney

It was moved by Commissioner Swaney and supported by Commissioner Jaloszynski to approve Resolution No. 2026-07 to comply with the requirements of Public Act 152, and authorize the Board Chairperson and the County Clerk to sign the same. Administrator/Controller Brian Smith reviewed the Resolution with the board. Motion carried with Yeas: Commissioners Weber, Hope, Moreno, Campbell, Engler, Jaloszynski, and Swaney. Nays: None

Public Comment:

Jackie Curtiss Isabella County Representative for Area Agency District 7 and she wanted to explain the brochures that were passed out to each commissioner on the Fisher House Michigan which helps care for military and veteran caregivers.

Announcements:

Commissioner Jaloszynski wanted to thank the board for allowing him attend the MAC Conference.

Commissioner Engler stated that on September 26th there will be the electronic waste and the hazardous waste at the fairgrounds 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. There is also a Council of Government meeting tomorrow night at the Material Recovery Center.

Adjournment: Motion by Commissioner Jaloszynski and supported by Commissioner Hope to adjourn at 6:09 p.m. Motion carried.