



AGENDA

Committee of the Whole Meeting of the County Board of Commissioners

Van Buren County

1. Call to Order

Committee members present: Commissioner Patterson-Gladney (home office in South Haven, MI), Commissioner Peat from his home office in Paw Paw) and Commissioner Schincariol (from his home office in Lawton)

Others in attendance: Administrator Faul, Anna Cerven, Lt. Bob Kirk, Commissioner Hanson, Commissioner Doroh, Commissioner Godfrey, and Charles Norton.

A. Zoom Meeting Information

2. Additions/Deletions

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Commissioner Peat; Supported by Commissioner Schincariol; Motion: Carried

4. Approval of Minutes

A. Minutes - January 12, 2021

Typo on page 1 noted.

Motion to approve with typo corrected by Commissioner Peat; Supported by Commissioner Schincariol; Motion: Carried

5. Agenda Items

B. Engagement, Inclusion and Belonging Discussion

A continued discussion on diversity ensued.

Administrator Faul spoke with Erin Wright at Kinexus about how they are addressing this topic's questions and training. She recommended a process that begins with leadership who receives the training first, sets a policy and filters that training to staff.

Discussion ensued.

Seeking out speakers to come in and educate the Commissioners; Seeing what other counties are doing.

C. Palisades Community Advisory Panel (CAP)

Discussion ensued about forming a Community Advisory Panel in preparation for the closure of Palisades Power Plant.

Attached is a draft of potential members and what organization they would represent.

Commissioner Peat suggested to not deny anyone a seat who wants to be apart of this panel.

Further discussion will be taken at the 3-9-2021 Administrative Affairs Committee.

D. .gov Email Rollout

IT Director Norton spoke on the process of changing our County emails from vbco.org to vanburencountymi.gov to be the same as our new website once it goes live.

Discussion ensued.

E. Medical Examiner - WMU Med Contract Renewal

A renewal of a contract we started in 2017. The Sheriff has been very pleased with this contract and would like another four-year contract.

Discussion ensued.

Recommended to CoW 2-23-2021/BoC 3-9-2021

Motion by Commissioner Schincariol; Supported by Commissioner Peat; Motion: Carried

6. Adjournment

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