

Commissioners

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Mike Chappell, District 2
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Board of Commissioners Agenda

March 25, 2025

Immediately following the 1:00 PM Committee of the Whole Meeting

** Indicates Consent Agenda, or recurring items that do not require discussion.

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1. Call to Order
2. Recital of the Pledge of Allegiance / Prayer
3. Roll Call
4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
5. Approval of Agenda
Do any Commissioners or members of the public want to request any item be removed from the consent agenda?
6. Approval of Minutes
 - A. **March 11th, 2025 Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes
Presented by:
7. Public Comment
Limit of 4 minutes per speaker.
8. Administrative Affairs
Commissioner Liaison: Gail Patterson-Gladney
 - A. **Proclamation of Appreciation - Pastor Buck
Presented by:
John Faul, County Administrator
 - B. Resolution of Support for Michigan House Bills 4124-4129 - Small Modular Reactors (SMRs)
Presented by:
John Faul, County Administrator
 - C. **Resolution of Support for Midwest Energy & Communications (MEC) Application for Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Funding
Presented by:
John Faul, County Administrator
 - D. **Medical Examiner Services Agreement Renewal
Presented by:
John Faul, County Administrator

- E. ****Reappointments to Van Buren Community Mental Health Authority (VBCMHA) Board - Coles, Tapper, & Toth**
Presented by:
Debbie Hess
John Faul, County Administrator
- F. ****Re-appointments to the Van Buren County Land Preservation Board**
Presented by:
Lisa Ransler, Community Services Director
- G. ****Adoption of the Southwest Michigan Materials Management Work Program and Authorization to Apply for EGLE Grant Funding**
Presented by:
Lisa Ransler, Community Services Director
- H. ****Van Buren Conservation District Materials Management Planning Contract**
Presented by:
Lisa Ransler
Emily Hickmont and Kalli
- I. ****Appointment to the Materials Management Planning Committee**
Presented by:
Lisa Ransler, Community Services Director
- J. ****Letter of Support for Van Buren Conservation District's Proposal to the NextCycle Michigan Accelerator Track Program**
Presented by:
Lisa Ransler, Community Services Director
- K. ****Artificial Intelligence - Usage Policy**
Presented by:
Jerry Happel, DID Director
- L. ****Artificial Intelligence - Intergovernmental Agreement St. Joseph County**
Presented by:
Jerry Happel, DID Director
- 9. **Buildings and Grounds**
Commissioner Liaison: Tina Leary
 - A. ****Request to Use County Property - Warner Vineyards**
Presented by:
John Faul, County Administrator
 - B. ****Request to Use County Property - Paw Paw Days 2025**
Presented by:
John Faul, County Administrator
- 10. **Finance**
Commissioner Liaison: Paul Schincariol
 - A. ****Claims**
Presented by:
Rebecca Grabemeyer, Finance Director
 - B. ****BSA Cloud Software Request**
Presented by:
Trisha Nesbitt, Treasurer
 - C. ****Resolution for Continuation of Collection 911 Local Surcharge: 2025 - 2026**
Presented by:
Tim McGee, 911 Director
- 11. **Labor, Negotiations, and Contracts**
Commissioner Liaison: David DiStefano
- 12. **Public Transit**

Commissioner Liaison: Kurt Doroh

13. Veterans Services

Commissioner Liaison: Mike Chappell

14. Commissioner's Roundtable

15. Chairman's Update

16. Board Correspondence

17. Closed Session

A. Attorney Client Privileged Discussion - Litigation Regarding NCG v Van Buren County

Presented by:
John Faul, County Administrator

18. Public Comment

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19. Adjournment

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