



MINUTES

**Board of Commissioners Chambers
219 East Paw Paw Street**

May 26, 2026

Commissioners

Gail Patterson-Gladney, District 1
Mike Chappell, District 2
Kurt Doroh, District 3
David DiStefano, District 4
Mike Toth, District 5
Tina Leary, District 6
Paul Schincariol, District 7

Committee of the Whole Meeting

1. Call to Order

The Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 01:00 PM by Paul Schincariol, Vice-Chairman of the Board. Present: Gail Patterson-Gladney, Mike Chappell, David DiStefano, Mike Toth, Tina Leary, Paul Schincariol. Commissioner Doroh absent and excused.

2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Mike Toth, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

4. Approval of Minutes

A. May 12th, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.

Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by David DiStefano, Carried

5. Public Comment

- Nicolle Ritchie - MSUE Field Crops Educator
- Holly Hooper - MSUE Consumer Horticulturalist

6. Presentation

7. Administrative Affairs

A. Department Update - Community Services

Director Lisa Ransler provided the Community Services Department's quarterly report.

B. Opioid Committee - Speciality Court Grant Approval

Community Services Director Lisa Ransler presented the request to approve the Opioid Settlement Funding Agreement with Van Buren Specialty Courts in the amount of \$155,000.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the Opioid Settlement Funding Agreement with Van Buren Specialty

Courts in the amount of \$155,000.

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

C. Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) Reappointments- Hillenbrand (Strohauer) and Morris

Community Services Director Lisa Ransler presented the request to reappoint Katie Hillenbrand and Zachary Morris to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for three-year terms.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the reappointment of Katie Hillenbrand and Zachary Morris to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for a three-year term expiring May 31, 2029.

Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by David DiStefano, Carried

8. Buildings and Grounds

A. Disposal of Sheriff's Office Property and Unclaimed Property

The Sheriff's Office is requesting authorization to dispose of unclaimed, obsolete and unusable Sheriff's Office property through the auction process.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, authorization for the disposal of Sheriff's Office property and permit the auction of the items.

Motion by Tina Leary, Second by Mike Chappell, Carried

9. Finance

A. Digital Information Department Memorandum of Understanding - Market One EXPEDITED

DID Director Jerry Happel presented the expedited request for a Memorandum of Understanding with Market One for the co-development and use of a county-owned digital infrastructure platform to support Market One's grant administration functions.

Motion to approve by resolution at today's meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the Memorandum of Understanding with Market One for the co-development of a digital infrastructure platform for grant administration functions.

Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

10. Labor, Negotiations, and Contracts

A. Creation of Position Digital Information Department - Digital Systems Developer EXPEDITED

DID Director Jerry Happel presented the expedited request for the creation of a full-time Digital Systems Developer position at pay level R11 to meet delivery commitments and address any production readiness gap.

Motion to approve by resolution at today's meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the creation of a full-time Digital Systems Developer position at pay level R11.

Motion by David DiStefano, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

B. MERS Health Care Savings Agreement Amendment - Command Removal

Human Resource Director Anna Blankenship presented the request to amend the MERS Health Care Savings Plan to remove the Command Group from participation, at their

request.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the amendment of the MERS Health Care Savings Plan to remove the Command Group from participation.

Motion by David DiStefano, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

11. Public Transit

12. Veterans Services

13. Road Commission Monthly Update

A. Road Commission Monthly Update

Director Bret Witkowski presented the Road Commission monthly update.

14. Public Comment

15. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Tina Leary, Second by Mike Toth, Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 02:00 PM.

Suzie Roehm, County Clerk