



MINUTES
St. Clair County Board of Commissioners
Human Services Committee

Board of Commissioners' Room
County Administrative Office Building, 2nd Floor
200 Grand River Avenue
Port Huron, MI 48060

June 5, 2025 at 6:00 PM

1. Roll Call/Opening/Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Beedon called the meeting to order at 06:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Beedon.

Present: Kerry Ange, Lisa Beedon, Joi Torello, Robert Fielitz, Dave Rushing, Dave Vandebossche and Steve Simasko

Absent: None

2. Additions/Deletions/Changes to the Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Vandebossche, supported by Commissioner Torello, to add Resolution 25-16 to the agenda as item 7F. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandebossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Fielitz, to approve the agenda as revised. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandebossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

3. Citizens to be Heard

None

4. Updates

None

5. Conceptual Initiatives

A. Comprehensive Treatment Centers - St. Clair County Facility

Administrator/Controller Hepting discussed the opioid advisory committee and the exploration of establishing a opioid medication treatment center within the County. Thomas Hull, Deputy Administrator/Controller, discussed the process undertaken to issue a RFP for treatment center options. He discussed the current rates of overdose deaths. He discussed the treatment process and indicated they would like to determine whether the Board supports the concept and, if so, will move forward with obtaining a proposal from a vendor.

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to support continued discussions with Comprehensive Treatment Centers to develop a formal proposal and/or agreement to bring a Medication-Assisted Treatment Program to St. Clair County. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

A. AgeWays Nonprofit Senior Services (formerly AAA 1-B) - Appointment

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Ange, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to appoint Felicia Wells as the Older Adult Representative to the AgeWays Nonprofit Senior Services for the remainder of a two-year term expiring 12/31/2025 Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

B. Agreement for Library Assessment - Library Strategies Consulting Group

Discussion was held regarding what the assessment would entail and the parameters that should be included.

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Ange, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the agreement with Library Strategies Consulting Group for a Library assessment in the amount of \$34,200. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

C. Yale Public Schools Subrecipient Agreement Amendment - FINAL ACTION

Moved by Commissioner Simasko, supported by Commissioner Vandenbossche, to move as a Committee of the Whole (for final action) to approve the amendment

to the Yale Public Schools subrecipient agreement with the Health Department in the amount of \$13,000. Carried - Roll Call Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

D. St. Clair County Library System - Office Lease - 302 Michigan Avenue

Allison Arnold, Library Director, discussed the staff that would relocate to the new office space and the repurposing of the space at the Main Library.

Moved by Commissioner Vandenbossche, supported by Commissioner Ange, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the Lease Agreement for the Library for 302 Michigan Street for a term of 06/01/25 through 05/31/30 in the amount of \$510,000. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

E. Library System - Copier/Printer Agreement - Applied Innovation

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Ange, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to approve the maintenance agreement for a multi-function copy machine for the Library with Applied Innovation for a 5-year term in the amount not to exceed \$12,500. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

F. ADDITION: Resolution 25-16 Opposing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' (MDHHS) Plan to Implement a Competitive Procurement Process for Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans

Deidra, Region 10 Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan, gave a brief summary of what a prepaid inpatient health plan is and the current and proposed maps. She discussed the concerns with the current proposal under consideration by the Legislature. She discussed the competitive bidding process that is being proposed. She also discussed the current structure of the PIHP. Some discussion occurred.

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Beedon, to forward to the Regular Board meeting the recommendation to adopt Resolution 25-16 Opposing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Plan to implement a competitive procurement process for Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans. Carried - Voice Vote 4-3. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Fielitz Nay: Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Ange

8. Other Human Services Matters

None

9. Information Only

A. May Points of Interest - Health Department

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Fielitz, to receive and file item 9A as information only. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

10. Receive and File Packets

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Ange, to receive and file packets and all information received. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None

11. Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Rushing, supported by Commissioner Torello, to adjourn at 06:59 PM. Carried - Voice Vote 7-0. Aye: Commissioner Beedon, Commissioner Simasko, Commissioner Torello, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Vandenbossche, Commissioner Fielitz, Commissioner Ange Nay: None