



MINUTES
St. Clair County Advisory Board of Health
Monthly Meeting

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

June 17, 2026 at 9:00 AM

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Standel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Standel.

3. Roll Call

Present: Leann Clink, Dawn Fulk, Joseph Hayes, Carolyn Richards, Stephen Smith, Monica Standel, Paul Urben, and David Rushing
Absent: None

Fulk recommended a change to the Agenda, moving the Title X (Title 10) memorandum to the 3rd item under New Business, placing the Memorandum regarding St. Clair County's Classification as a "Metropolitan County" to the 2nd item. Chairperson Standel agreed.

4. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

Vickie Blackburn - Port Huron, MI - Title X
Eileen Tesch - Algonac, MI - Vaccine Choice
Liz Sagafoose NP - Title X
Angie DeFrain, Fort Gratiot, MI - Dr. Nevin, Vaccine Choice and Fluoride
Sherry Mercurio - Clyde Twp, MI - Title X
Fred Fuller - Yale, MI - Title X
Rachelle Bonelli - St.Clair, MI - Title X
Jimmy Dado - Title X
Patti Samar - Title X
Dale Hemmila - Title X
Tray Smith - Moak Street Project & Government
Nicole Castillo - Port Huron, MI - Title X
Carol Cataldo - Port Huron, MI Title X

Mark Smith - Title X

5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

A. May 2026 Minutes

Moved by Urban, seconded by Fulk to approve the minutes of May 20, 2026.
Motion carried, Voice vote 7 Aye, 0 Nye.

6. Correspondence

Chairperson Standel announced letters received after packet preparation to the Board from several individuals sent to members' email this morning.

Jennifer Michaluk

Kaitlyn Pringle

Violet Phillips

Kelly Baker

A Concerned Citizen

7. Unfinished Business

A. Teen Health

Health Officer King discussed updates on the transition of Teen Health. Two positions were offered employment with Community First, a third position will need to be absorbed into the main office location.

B. Fluoride [Regulation](#)

A public hearing is set for Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners' Room (2nd Floor) at 200 Grand River Avenue, Port Huron, Michigan.

8. New Business

A. Medical Director Update - R. Nevin

i Community Mental Health Correspondence

The Board received a packet including correspondence. Dr. Nevin discussed the governance of CSCB and invited Advisory Board of Health members to attend meetings with him.

ii 20260610 Memorandum - St. Clair County's Classification as a "Metropolitan" County

Dr. Nevin discussed St. Clair County's classification as a metropolitan county as it relates to eligibility for rural health funds designated by the federal government. Dr. Nevin recommended an endorsement by the Advisory Board of Health to the Board of Commissioners to adopt a resolution designating St. Clair County as a rural or partially rural county. Discussion followed. Moved by Richards, seconded by Urban to ask the Board of Commissioners to consider adopting a resolution addressing this classification. Motion Carried. 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

iii 20260610 Memorandum - Title X Family Planning

Discussion on Title X Memorandum and cost-effectiveness by Dr. Nevin. Board discussion. King discussed staffing. Q&A session with HD Nursing Director Bishop and Assistant Director Campau. Discussion continued. No motion at this time.

B. Health Officer Update - E. King

i Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment (KOHA)

King discussed the upcoming renewal of the contract with Smiles on Wheels to comply with the Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment requirements. The Opt-In form was discussed. Discussed option of hiring a dental hygienist vs. contract. The Advisory Board recommended renewal of the Smiles on Wheels contract and to submit it to the Board of Commissioners for approval in August.

ii Meeting Notes & HD Summary Report

The Advisory Board received the Administration Meeting notes and HD summary report. No questions from Board members.

9. ABOH Member Updates

A. Clink made a statement concerning Title X, birth control, unplanned pregnancy and abortion, noting that contraception and abortion rates are not related.

B. Urban asked about the status of the Physician Assistant position. Liz stated that it was in the hands of the County Administration, but noted funding concerns and hiring new staff with the possibility of laying off others. Discussion followed. Rushing commented that a Deputy for Dr. Nevin may be on the BOC agenda tomorrow night.

C. Richards commented and stated her dislike of certain aspects of Title X.

10. Adjournment

Motion by Richards, seconded by Clink to adjourn the Advisory Board of Health meeting at 11:54 a.m. Motion carried.

Leann Clink, Secretary
Advisory Board of Health