



Macomb County Board of Commissioners

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District 13 – Sarah Lucido

MINUTES APPROVED FEBRUARY 12, 2026

DATE/TIME: Thursday, January 15, 2026, 3:00 PM

COMMITTEE: Records and Public Safety Committee

CHAIR: Chair Joseph V. Romano, Vice Chair Michael J. Howard II

LOCATION: Administration Building, One South Main Street, 9th Floor, Mount Clemens, MI 48043

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson at 03:00 PM in the Administration Building, 1 South Main Street, 9th Floor, Mount Clemens, Michigan 48043.

Present: Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, James M. Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Absent: Antoinette Wallace

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda dated Thursday, January 15, 2026. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Harold L. Haugh

Seconded by: James M. Perna

Vote Summary: (11 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, James M. Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

4. Approval of Minutes

a) Joint Public Services and Records and Public Safety Committee Minutes dated December 4, 2025

Motion to approve the Joint Public Services and Records and Public Safety Committee Minutes dated December 4, 2025. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Ken Goike

Seconded by: Don VanSyckel

Vote Summary: (11 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, James M. Perna,

Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner
 Nay - None
 Abstain - None

5. Public Participation (three minutes max per speaker, related only to issues on the agenda)

None

6. Records and Public Safety Committee Department Recommendations

- a) Contract: West Publishing - Online Legal Research (\$83,408.31) / Erin Freers-Cole, Public Defender
Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the contract with West Publishing to provide online legal research access from February 1, 2026, to January 31, 2031, in the amount of \$83,408.31 for the Public Defender's Office. Funding is available in the FY 2025-26, Special Revenue Fund, Budget Page D-33.

This action does not constitute the Commission's approval of a budget amendment and does not otherwise change or amend any other budget provision or requirement, including but not limited to the provisions and requirements of Ordinance 2025-02. Any budget amendment required for this contract/purchase/agreement must be sought separately. A copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Michael J. Howard II

Seconded by: Barbara Zinner

Vote Summary: (12 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, James M. Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

- b) Budget Amendment: Sheriff Department - Law Enforcement Harrison Township Amendment #1 (\$210,918) / Jason Abro, Commander

approve a FY2026 budget amendment for the Sheriff's Department Road Patrol Division (Cost Center C306.7002) in the amount of \$210,918 by increasing Personnel Expenditures(\$167,143) and Capital Outlay (\$43,775) with a corresponding increase in Charges for Service Revenue (\$167,143) and Reimbursements Revenue (\$43,775) in order to add one deputy and one vehicle to the existing law enforcement services contract with Harrison Township, effective February 1, 2026.

This action does not constitute the Commission's approval of any contract and does not otherwise change or amend any other budget provision or requirement, including but not limited to the provisions and requirements of Ordinance 2025-02. Additionally, if approval is required under Ordinance 2025-03, such approval must be sought separately. A copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

- c) Contract: Harrison Township - Amendment #1 Law Enforcement Services (\$427,996) / Jason Abro, Commander

approve Contract Amendment No. 1 with Harrison Township to provide one additional deputy and one vehicle for law enforcement services from February 1, 2026 to December 31, 2027 in the amount of \$427,996 for the Sheriff's Department. Revenue will be recorded in Fund 101, Cost Center C306.7002 (Budget Page C-57).

This action does not constitute the Commission's approval of a budget amendment and does not otherwise change or amend any other budget provision or requirement, including but not limited to the provisions and requirements of Ordinance 2025-02. Any budget amendment required for this contract/purchase/agreement must be sought separately. A copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve Records and Public Safety Committee Department Recommendations 6b and 6c. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Barbara Zinner

Seconded by: Harold L. Haugh

Vote Summary: (12 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, James M. Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

- d) Budget Amendment: Sheriff Department - Correct Position Allocation (\$270,192) / Jeffrey McPherson, Captain

approve a FY2026 budget amendment for the Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$270,192 by increasing the Sheriff's Department General Fund C306.7008 Personnel expenditures (\$264,098) and Internal Services expenditures (6,094) with a corresponding decrease to General Fund Fund Balance in order to fund two Road Patrol positions and associated liability insurance.

This action does not constitute the Commission's approval of any contract and does not otherwise change or amend any other budget provision or requirement, including but not limited to the provisions and requirements of Ordinance 2025-02. Additionally, if approval is required under Ordinance 2025-03, such approval must be sought separately. A copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

- e) Other Action: Position Control for Sheriff Department / Jeffrey McPherson, Captain

approve a FY2026 Position Count amendment for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of two FTE by increasing Road Patrol - Professional Support(Deputies). Funding is available through a concurrent budget amendment in the FY2026 Sheriff Department Road Patrol budget, Budget Page C-57.

This action does not constitute the Commission's approval of a budget amendment and does not otherwise change or amend any other budget provision or requirement, including but not limited to the provisions and requirements of Ordinance 2025-02. Any budget amendment required for this contract/purchase/agreement must be sought separately. A copy of this Board of Commissioners' action is directed to be delivered forthwith to the Office of the County Executive.

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve Records and Public Safety Committee Department Recommendations 6d and 6e. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Don VanSyckel

Seconded by: Michael J. Howard II

Vote Summary: (12 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, James M. Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

- f) Resolution 2026-14873: A Resolution to Approve Legal Services for the Office of Prosecuting Attorney

A Resolution to Approve Legal Services for the Prosecuting Attorney / Joe Biondo, Chief of Special Prosecutions

A Resolution to Approve Legal Services for the Prosecuting Attorney

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt Resolution 2026-14873: A Resolution to Approve Legal Services for the Office of Prosecuting Attorney. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Ken Goike

Seconded by: Michael J. Howard II

Vote Summary: (12 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, James M. Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

- g) Resolution 2026-14875: A Resolution Deeming Prosecuting Attorney Positions Necessary and Fixing Salaries of Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys and Other Employees Appointed by Prosecuting Attorney Under Public Act 329 of 1925 as Amended.

Motion to recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt Resolution 2026-14875: A Resolution Deeming Prosecuting Attorney Positions Necessary and Fixing Salaries of Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys and Other Employees Appointed by Prosecuting Attorney Under Public Act 329 of 1925 as Amended. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motion by: Harold L. Haugh

Seconded by: James M. Perna

Vote Summary: (12 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, James M. Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None

7. Public Participation (three minutes max per speaker)

None

8. Commissioners' Comments

None

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the January 15, 2026 meeting at 03:31 PM. THE MOTION PASSED.

Motioned by: Ken Goike

Seconded by: Harold L. Haugh

Vote Summary: (12 - 0 - 0)

Aye - Ken Goike, Sylvia Grot, Harold L. Haugh, Michael J. Howard II, Phil Kraft, Sarah Lucido, James M.

Perna, Joseph V. Romano, Joe Sabatini, Don VanSyckel, Lisa Wojno, Barbara Zinner

Nay - None

Abstain - None