

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**AGENDA**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025**

4:00 P.M.

COMMISSION CHAMBERS, FOURTH FLOOR, BAY COUNTY BUILDING

**PAGE NO.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER (CHAIRMAN BANASZAK)
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. INVOCATION
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 24-38 V. MINUTES (11/18/2025)
- VI. AGENDA APPROVAL
- VII. CITIZEN INPUT
- VIII. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
  - A. Presentations (4:00 p.m.)
    - 1-2 1. Resolution No. 2025-255 - Honoring Delta College Women's Soccer - 2025 NJCAA Division III Women's Soccer Championship (Resolution sponsored by Commissioner Rupp)
    - 3-4 2. Resolution No. 2025-256 - Resolution Honoring Michael Frederick Halstead (Board of Commissioners and County Executive)
    - 3. Hey! Bay City 2025 Year-End Report (Receive)
  - B. December Appointments:
    - 1. Applications for Appointment to Department on Aging Advisory Committee (Four, 2-year terms expiring) (Receive applicants and confirm appointments)
      - 5 a. Robin Wiess - 1<sup>st</sup> District
      - 6 b. Diann Behmlander - 3<sup>rd</sup> District

7 c. Paul Rabidoux - 5<sup>th</sup> District

8-9 d. Debra A. Russell - 7<sup>th</sup> District

2. Applications for Appointment to Bay County Veteran Affairs Committee (Two, 4-year terms) (Motion to receive applications and motion to make appointments)

10-11 a. Tim Conklin

12 b. Vaughn Begick (Incumbent)

13-14 c. Troy Stewart (Incumbent)

15 C. Bay County Treasurer Public Bond Status (Receive)

IX. REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS OF COMMITTEES

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – December 2, 2025 (Jerome Crete, Chair; Kathy Niemiec, Vice Chair) Meeting canceled

B. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – December 9, 2025 (Jerome Crete, Chair; Kathy Niemiec, Vice Chair) (With approval from the Committee Chair and Board Chair, items were referred directly to the Board of Commissioners Special Meeting held immediately following the Committee of the Whole on December 9, 2025)

C. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (Tim Banaszak, Chair; Vaughn J. Begick, Vice Chair)

16-17 1. No. 2025-257 - Reports of the County Executive – November 2025

18-19 2. No. 2025-258 - Neighbors of the Bay Agreement 2026 (County Executive)

20-21 3. No. 2025-259 – Purchase of Pitney Bowes Mail Machine (Recreation & Facilities)

4. No. 2025-260 – Authorization of funding for Historical Society Project to Catalog and Prepare County Tax Rolls for State Transfer (Resolution will be provided to Commission prior to meeting)

22-23 5. No. 2025-261 – Common Chain Agreement 2026 (Register of Deeds)

X. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENTS

A. County Executive

XI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

**XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**XIV. PUBLIC INPUT**

**XV. MISCELLANEOUS**

**XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. 2025 APPOINTMENTS**

**1. December**

- a. Department on Aging Advisory Committee (Four, 2-year terms expiring: Districts 1,3,5 & 7)**
- b. Bay County Veteran Affairs Committee (Two, 4-year terms: V. Begick, T. Stewart)**

**XVII. CLOSED SESSION (IF REQUIRED)**

**XVIII. RECESS/ADJOURNMENT**

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE: The Board Chair has requested that any Elected Official or Department/ Division Head placing an item on the agenda be present or have a representative present to speak to their request and answer any questions posed by Committee members. Attending the Full Board meeting is unnecessary if the request is approved unanimously at the Committee meeting, unless otherwise directed.**

**Participants planning to attend via Zoom must contact Nick Paige before the meeting at [paigen@baycountymi.gov](mailto:paigen@baycountymi.gov).**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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**Amber Davis-Johnson, ADA Coordinator  
Corporation Counsel  
515 Center Avenue  
Fourth Floor, Bay County Building  
Bay City, MI 48708  
989-895-4130**

## ACTION TAKEN BY BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE	MOTION/RES.NO.	INTRODUCED/ SUBMITTED BY	SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION/MOTION	ADOPTED	AMENDED	CORRECTED	DEFEATED	REFERRED	TABLED	WITHDRAWN
12/16/25	RESOLUTION 2025-255	CRETE	PROUDLY RECOGNIZED AND CELEBRATED THE DELTA COLLEGE WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM FOR THEIR REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT IN WINNING THE 2025 NJCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP AND FOR EXEMPLIFYING EXCELLENCE, DEDICATION, AND SPORTSMANSHIP IN COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS	XX						
12/16/25	RESOLUTION 2025-256	DOCKETT	EXPRESSED THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF MICHAEL FREDERICK HALSTEAD, AND FORMALLY HONORED HIS EXTRAORDINARY RECORD OF PUBLIC SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, AND DEVOTION TO THE COMMUNITY	XX						
12/16/25	RESOLUTION 2025-257	BEGICK	RECEIVED THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2025	XX						
12/16/25	RESOLUTION 2025-258	BEGICK	APPROVED THE ONE (1) YEAR RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH NEIGHBORS OF THE BAY AND BAY COUNTY (BAY COUNTY EXECUTIVE) TO ADVERTISE MONTHLY FOR A TOTAL OF TWELVE ADVERTISEMENTS	XX						
12/16/25	RESOLUTION 2025-259	BEGICK	APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF A NEW PITNEY BOWES MAIL MACHINE THROUGH A MIDEAL CONTRACTED PRICE WITH FUNDING TO COME FROM THE 2026 APPROVED BUDGET	XX						
12/16/25	RESOLUTION 2025-260	BEGICK	APPROVED A ONE-TIME APPROPRIATION OF \$15,000 TO THE BAY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF ORGANIZING, PREPARING, AND DISPOSING OF BAY COUNTY TAX ROLL BOOKS IN COORDINATION WITH THE ARCHIVES OF MICHIGAN, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM THE GENERAL FUND, FUND BALANCE	XX						
12/16/25	RESOLUTION 2025-161	BEGICK	APPROVED THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC (CSI), COMMON CHAIN, LLC., AND BAY COUNTY (REGISTER OF DEEDS) FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS	XX						

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12/16/25	MOTION 2025-134	DOCKETT	APPROVED THE BOARD MINUTES FOR THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 18, 2025, AS PRESENTED	XX						
12/16/25	MOTION 2025-135	DOCKETT	APPROVED THE AGENDA FOR THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2025	XX						
12/16/25	MOTION 2025-136	DOCKETT	RECEIVED THE HEY! BAY CITY 2025 YEAR-END REPORT	XX						
12/16/25	MOTION 2025-137	BEGICK	RECEIVED THE APPLICATIONS FOR AND APPOINTED ROBIN WEISS, DIANN BEHMLANDER, PAUL RABIDOUX, AND DEBRA A. RUSSELL TO THE DEPARTMENT ON AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FOUR, 2-YEAR TERMS)	XX						
12/16/25	MOTION 2025-138	CRETE	RECEIVED THE APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE BAY COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (TWO, 4-YEAR TERMS)	XX						
12/16/25	MOTION 2025-139	CRETE	APPOINTED VAUGHN BEGICK AND TROY STEWART TO THE BAY COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (4-YEAR TERMS)	XX						
12/16/25	MOTION 2025-140	DOCKETT	RECEIVED THE BAY COUNTY TREASURER PUBLIC BOND STATUS	XX						
12/16/25	MOTION 2025-141	DOCKETT	ADJOURNED THE REGULAR BOARD SESSION OF DECEMBER 16, 2025	XX						

BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 16, 2025

RESOLUTION

- BY:** BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (12/16/2025)
- WHEREAS,** The Delta College women’s soccer team completed their ninth consecutive trip to the NJCAA National Championship Tournament and captured their third national championship in program history; and
- WHEREAS,** The 2025 NJCAA National Championship Tournament was held November 11–16 in Herkimer, New York, where the Delta College women’s soccer team demonstrated exceptional skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship; and
- WHEREAS,** During the tournament, Delta College defeated Bristol Community College 4–0, Suffolk Community College 2–1, and in an overtime final, defeated Dallas College Brookhaven 1–0 to claim the championship; and
- WHEREAS,** The team completed their undefeated season with an impressive 18–0–1 record and a 106–5 score differential; and
- WHEREAS,** Head Coach Damon Amey was recognized as Coach of the Tournament, while players Abigail Hendy, Brooke Swartz, and Alahna Beckett were named to the All-Tournament Team; and Isabella Workman earned Offensive MVP honors, with Mia Warner receiving Overall MVP recognition; and
- WHEREAS,** The success of this team is a testament to their dedication, perseverance, and the leadership of the entire coaching staff, including Head Coach Damon Amey, Associate Head Coach Blair Wright and Assistant Coaches Jenna Dost, Fran MacMillan, Kaylee Raymond, and Bri Redmond; Therefore, Be It
- RESOLVED** That the Bay County Board of Commissioners and Bay County Executive proudly recognize and celebrate the Delta College Women’s Soccer Team for their remarkable achievement in winning the 2025 NJCAA Division III Women’s Soccer Championship and for exemplifying excellence, dedication, and sportsmanship in collegiate athletics; Be It Further
- RESOLVED** That enthusiastic congratulations be extended to the players, coaching staff, and supporters whose hard work, talent, and team spirit made this historic undefeated season and national championship possible, bringing honor and pride to Delta College and the Bay County community.

TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR  
AND BOARD

Commissioner Rupp – Delta College Women’s Soccer - 2025 NJCAA Division III Women’s Soccer Championship

MOVED BY COMM. CRETE

SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
KATHY NIEMIEC	X			LARRY BESON	X			JEROME CRETE	X		
TIM BANASZAK	X			CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP	X						
VAUGHN J. BEGICK	X			JESSE DOCKETT	X						

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YEAS      NAYS      EXCUSED     

VOICE: YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED X DEFEATED      WITHDRAWN     

AMENDED      CORRECTED      REFERRED      NO ACTION TAKEN

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DECEMBER 16, 2025

RESOLUTION

- BY:** BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (12/16/2025)
- WHEREAS,** The Bay County Board of Commissioners is mindful of the contributions of dedicated public servants whose time, energy and commitment have advanced the welfare of our community; and
- WHEREAS,** Michael “Mike” Frederick Halstead, a lifelong resident of Bay City, Michigan, passed away on November 15, 2025, at the age of 84; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike Halstead served our community faithfully over many decades - including 32 years with the Bay City Fire Department, rising to Fire Marshall, service in the U.S. Army during deployment to Germany at the time of the Berlin Wall construction, and after military service returning home to raise a family with his high school sweetheart; and
- WHEREAS,** For 22 years, Mike Halstead was elected to the Bay County Board of Commissioners, including five years as Chairman, providing stable and effective leadership in guiding County policy and operations; and
- WHEREAS,** After his retirement from elected office, Mike continued serving Bay County, directing the Bay County Animal Control Department for more than a decade and volunteering on numerous boards and councils, including the Bay County Drain Board, Bay Metro Transit Board Authority, Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health Authority, Friends of Bay County Libraries, and the Humane Society of Bay County - demonstrating a lifetime commitment to public service and community welfare; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike Halstead’s decades of public service, civic engagement, and dedication to the health, safety and well-being of Bay County citizens have left an indelible mark on our community, earning him the respect, gratitude, and admiration of his colleagues, neighbors, and all who benefited from his leadership; Therefore, Be It
- RESOLVED** That the Bay County Board of Commissioners and Bay County Executive, on behalf of the citizens of Bay County, express their deepest sympathy to the family of Michael Frederick Halstead, and formally honor his extraordinary record of public service, leadership, and devotion to community; Be It Further
- RESOLVED** That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to his wife, Ida, and the entire Halstead family, as a token of appreciation for his lifetime of service and commitment to Bay County.

TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR  
AND BOARD

Resolution Honoring Michael Frederick Halstead

MOVED BY COMM. DOCKETT

SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
KATHY NIEMIEC	X			LARRY BESON	X			JEROME CRETE	X		
TIM BANASZAK	X			CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP	X						
VAUGHN J. BEGICK	X			JESSE DOCKETT	X						

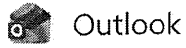
VOTE TOTALS:

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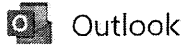
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Application for Appointment to County Board

From postmaster@netsource-one.net <postmaster@netsource-one.net>  
Date Thu 11/20/2025 12:04 PM  
To Board Applications <boardapplications@baycountymi.gov>

FieldName: What Board Are You Applying For?  
Board: Advisory Committee  
FieldName 1: Name:  
Name: Robin Weiss  
FieldName 2: Address:  
Address: 527 W 2nd St  
FieldName 3: City, State, Zip Code:  
City State Zip: Pinconning, MI 48650  
FieldName 4: Home Phone:  
Home Phone: 989-522-0613  
FieldName 5: Business Phone:  
Business  
Phone:  
FieldName 6: Occupation:  
Occupation: Retired  
FieldName 7: Employer:  
Employer: N/A  
FieldName 8: Are you a resident of Bay County?  
Resident: Yes  
FieldName 9: How Long?  
Resident How Long: 70 Years  
FieldName 10: List your interests and qualifications for the above Board or Commission  
Interests: Current Chair of committee, up for renewal  
FieldName 11: List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the  
County Board of Commissioners in their selection.  
Other Info: Has dealt with seniors and food all of working life, worked at MSU  
Extension Bay and Arenac Counties, owned restaurant for 30 years.  
FieldName 12: What is your e-mail address?  
Email: robinkaymc@yahoo.com



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From postmaster@netsource-one.net <postmaster@netsource-one.net>
Date Wed 10/8/2025 9:27 AM
To Board Applications <boardapplications@baycountymi.gov>

FieldName: What Board Are You Applying For?
Board: Advisory Committee
FieldName 1: Name:
Name: Dian Behmlander
FieldName 2: Address:
Address: 303 Willow Bend
FieldName 3: City, State, Zip Code:
City State Zip: Auburn, MI 48611
FieldName 4: Home Phone:
Home Phone: 989-600-8264
FieldName 5: Business Phone:
Business Phone:
FieldName 6: Occupation:
Occupation:
FieldName 7: Employer:
Employer: Retired
FieldName 8: Are you a resident of Bay County?
Resident: Yes
FieldName 9: How Long?
Resident How Long: Lifetime
FieldName 10: List your interests and qualifications for the above Board or Commission
Interests: Attends William Township Activity Center. Assists with Olympic Games.
FieldName 11: List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the
County Board of Commissioners in their selection.
Other Info: Long standing Advisory Committee member.
FieldName 12: What is your e-mail address?
Email:



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COUNTY OF BAY

**TIM BANASZAK**  
CHAIRMAN  
2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO:

Dept. on Aging Advisory Committee

**VAUGHN J. BEGICK**  
VICE CHAIRMAN  
3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT

Name PAUL RABIDOYX

Address 1306 S. WENONA ST  
BAY CITY MI. 48706

**CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP**  
SERGEANT AT ARMS  
5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT

Home Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Business or Cell No. 989-429-6494

Occupation RETIRED

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**KATHY NIEMIEC**  
1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT

Are you a resident of Bay County? YES - 5TH DISTRICT

Are you a Veteran of any military branch of the United States government? ARMY

**LARRY BESON**  
4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT

List your interests and qualifications for the above Board or Commission\*

ACTIVE MEMBER - CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH  
KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS 414  
4TH DEGREE KNIGHT 414  
WAS A BOARD MEMBER FOR OVER 10 YEARS

**JESSE DOCKETT**  
6<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT

List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the County Board of Commissioners in their selection\*

**JEROME CRETE**  
7<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT

AND WORKED ON MILLAGE CAMPAIGNS FOR DOA  
ALSO PAST CHAIRMAN OF THE  
DEPT. ON AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**ALEX POIRIER**  
BOARD ADVISOR  
Poiriera@baycountymi.gov

List membership on any other civic Boards and/or Committees\* \_\_\_\_\_

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER OF THE ORIGINAL  
BAY ARENAC SKILL CENTER

**LINDSEY ARSENAULT**  
BOARD COORDINATOR  
Arsenaultl@baycountymi.gov

\*Feel free to use additional paper if required.

Date submitted:

Please return this form to:  
Bay County Board of Commissioners  
Fourth Floor  
Bay County Building  
515 Center Avenue  
Bay City, MI 48708, or email to:  
Arsenaultl@baycountymi.gov



### Application for Appointment to County Board

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From postmaster@netsource-one.net <postmaster@netsource-one.net>

Date Thu 5/15/2025 1:38 PM

To Board Applications <boardapplications@baycountymi.gov>

FieldName: What Board Are You Applying For?

Board: Department on Aging Advisory Committee

FieldName 1: Name:

Name: Debra A. Russell

FieldName 2: Address:

Address: 1574 Saint Mary's Court

FieldName 3: City, State, Zip Code:

City State Essexville, M 48732

Zip:

FieldName 4: Home Phone:

Home Phone: 989-274-2123

FieldName 5: Business Phone:

Business  
Phone:

FieldName 6: Occupation:

Occupation: Retired Bay Co. Administrative Services Director

FieldName 7: Employer:

Employer: Formerly Bay County

FieldName 8: Are you a resident of Bay County?

Resident: Yes

FieldName 9: How Long?

Resident How Lifetime  
Long:

FieldName 10: List your interests and qualifications for the above Board or Commission

Interests: As an active participant in and supporter of Bay County DOA events and programs, I wish to continue assisting and representing our 60+ population through service on this Committee. I currently represent Commissioner Jerome Crete, 7th District.

FieldName 11: List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the County Board of Commissioners in their selection.

Other Info: I was appointed to this Committee on 8/14/2018 after my retirement. I continue to gain knowledge of programs, the needs of our Bay County 60+ population, financial opportunities and areas of concern. It is an honor to serve on this Committee as Vice-Chair.

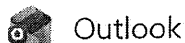
I believe my lengthy career in Bay County government and as an administrator provided me a solid background and foundation for service on the Department on Aging Advisory Committee. I continue to remain active within the Bay County community.

Thank you.

FieldName What is your e-mail address?

12:

Email: daruss5@hotmail.com



Application for Appointment to County Board

From postmaster@netsource-one.net <postmaster@netsource-one.net>

Date Tue 10/21/2025 2:39 PM

To Board Applications <boardapplications@baycountymi.gov>

FieldName: What Board Are You Applying For?  
 Board: Bay county veterans affairs committee  
 FieldName 1: Name:  
 Name: Tim Conklin  
 FieldName 2: Address:  
 Address: 748 Shook ct.  
 FieldName 3: City, State, Zip Code:  
 City State Zip: Bay City,MI, 48708  
 FieldName 4: Home Phone:  
 Home Phone: 989-460-7317  
 FieldName 5: Business Phone:  
 Business  
 Phone:  
 FieldName 6: Occupation:  
 Occupation: Retired  
 FieldName 7: Employer:  
 Employer: Commerce Controls  
 FieldName 8: Are you a resident of Bay County?  
 Resident: Yes  
 FieldName 9: How Long?  
 Resident How Long: 15 years  
 FieldName 10: List your interests and qualifications for the above Board or Commission  
 Interests: Navy veteran  
 Business classes at Schoolcraft College  
 Owned Industrial controls business  
 Controls Engineer at several automation companies  
 FieldName 11: List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the  
 County Board of Commissioners in their selection.  
 Other Info:  
 FieldName 12: What is your e-mail address?  
 Email: Harleyrail@gmail.com

**CRAIG ALSTON**

Attorney – Former Judge

2480 Center Avenue, Bay City, Michigan 48708  
(312) 369-9556 | Craig@AlstonLegalServices.com

November 24, 2025

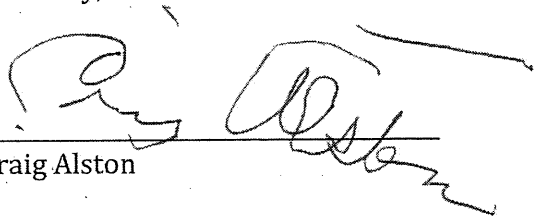
Bay County Commissioners office, attention Tim Banaszak  
Bay County Building  
515 Center Avenue, Suite 405  
Bay city, MI 48708-5125

Dear Commissioners,

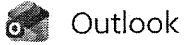
I am writing to you concerning Timothy Conklin, who has applied for a position on the Bay County Veteran Affairs Committee. I have known Mr. Conklin socially for over ten years and have had sufficient interaction with him to offer you a reliable opinion concerning his qualifications to serve as a committee member.

Mr. ConKlin is a veteran and is genuinely interested in the welfare of his fellow veterans. He has performed work for me on several occasions and was prompt and conscientious in his work. Mr. Conklin communicates well and relates to all in a kind and interested manner. He definitely would be productive and work well with other members of the Veteran Affairs Committee. In sum, I give my highest recommendation to you to appoint Mr. Conklin to serve on the Veterans Affairs Committee. Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,



Craig Alston



### Application for Appointment to County Board

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Date Thu 10/23/2025 12:43 PM  
To Board Applications <boardapplications@baycountymi.gov>

FieldName: What Board Are You Applying For?  
 Board: Veterans Affairs  
 FieldName 1: Name:  
 Name: Vaughn Begick  
 FieldName 2: Address:  
 Address: 5353 Lorraine Court  
 FieldName 3: City, State, Zip Code:  
 City State Zip: Bay City  
 FieldName 4: Home Phone:  
 Home Phone: 9892950209  
 FieldName 5: Business Phone:  
 Business  
 Phone:  
 FieldName 6: Occupation:  
 Occupation: PA and County Commission  
 FieldName 7: Employer:  
 Employer: McLaren and Bay County  
 FieldName 8: Are you a resident of Bay County?  
 Resident: Yes  
 FieldName 9: How Long?  
 Resident How Long: 79 years  
 FieldName 10: List your interests and qualifications for the above Board or Commission  
 Interests: Current Board Chair of Veterans Affairs Committee  
 Bay County Commissioner for 21 years.  
 Army Veteran 1969-1972  
 President of VVA Chapter #494  
 American Legion Member  
 FieldName 11: List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the  
 County Board of Commissioners in their selection.  
 Other Info: On the Veterans Affairs Committee since its inception.  
 FieldName 12: What is your e-mail address?  
 Email: vaughnpac@aol.com



Application for Appointment to County Board

From postmaster@netsource-one.net <postmaster@netsource-one.net>

Date Tue 11/25/2025 12:13 PM

To Board Applications <boardapplications@baycountymi.gov>

FieldName: What Board Are You Applying For?

Board: Veterans Affairs Committee

FieldName 1: Name:

Name: Troy Stewart

FieldName 2: Address:

Address: 216 Nebobish Ave

FieldName 3: City, State, Zip Code:

City State Essexville

Zip:

FieldName 4: Home Phone:

Home Phone: 9892251037

FieldName 5: Business Phone:

Business Phone: 9898952043

Phone:

FieldName 6: Occupation:

Occupation: Jail Administrator

FieldName 7: Employer:

Employer: Bay County

FieldName 8: Are you a resident of Bay County?

Resident: Yes

FieldName 9: How Long?

Resident How Long: 24 years

Long:

FieldName 10: List your interests and qualifications for the above Board or Commission

Interests: I'm a 20 year active duty retired Marine Master Sergeant. Being an enlisted Veteran I know the struggles that our enlisted service persons go through both while on active duty and then the transition to civilian life.

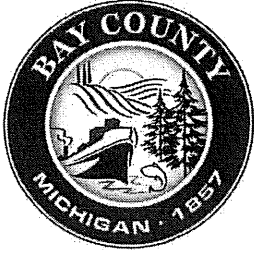
FieldName 11: List any other information you feel would be pertinent in assisting the County Board of Commissioners in their selection.

Other Info: I've attended the following resident Leadership courses. Marine Non Commissioned Officers Academy Marine Staff Non Commissioned Officers Academy Marine Senior Staff Non Commissioned Officers Academy - The later two at the War College at Quantico Virginia I also hold an under graduate degree from Northwood University.

12/1/25, 12:11 PM

Inbox - Lindsey Arsenault - Outlook

FieldName    What is your e-mail address?  
12:  
Email:        stewartt@baycountymi.gov



# BAY COUNTY TREASURER

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Weston Prince  
County Treasurer  
princew@baycountymi.gov

Tina Mueller  
Chief Deputy Treasurer  
muellert@baycountymi.gov

## MEMORANDUM

To: Tim Banaszak, Chair, Bay County Board of Commissioners  
From: Weston Prince, Bay County Treasurer  
Date: December 9, 2025  
Subject: County Treasurer's Public Official Bond Status

**Background:**

As required by MCL 48.40a, the County Treasurer Shall provide a bond in an amount of at least \$1,000,000 for the faithful and proper discharge of the duties of the County Treasurer's office. The cost of the individual bond shall be paid from the General Fund of the County.

A public official bond for \$1,000,000 with Michigan Municipal Management Authority covering myself for the benefit of the Bay County has been in place since June 15, 2022, the day I took office. I have verified with the Bay County Risk Management that this bond is currently in effect and is expected to remain in effect throughout 2026.

**Financial Impact:**

There is no additional cost to the County. The bond in place meets the legal requirements.

**Recommendation:**

That this board receive this report on the status of the County Treasurer's Bond, as required by law.

**CC:**

Board of Commissioners  
Amber Davis-Johnson  
Lindsey Arsenault  
Tiffany Jerry

BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 16, 2025

RESOLUTION

BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (12/16/2025)

RESOLVED By the Bay County Board of Commissioners that the following report is received:

1. Employment Status Report – November 2025

TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR  
AND BOARD

County Executive – Status Reports

MOVED BY COMM. BEGICK

SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
KATHY NIEMIEC	X			LARRY BESON	X			JEROME CRETE	X		
TIM BANASZAK	X			CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP	X						
VAUGHN J. BEGICK	X			JESSE DOCKETT	X						

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YEAS      NAYS      EXCUSED     

VOICE: YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED X DEFEATED      WITHDRAWN     

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 CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS  
 NOVEMBER 2025

<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>
<b><u>NEW HIRES (Regular Status):</u></b>		
Andrew Turner PT Emergency Relief Coordinator	Veteran Affairs	11/10/2025
Mark Nellet Comm Center Custodian/Attendant full-time	B&G	11/10/2025
Collin Jezewski Part-time Comm Center Attendant/ Custodian	Community Center	11/08/2025
<b><u>NEW HIRE (On-call/temporary):</u></b>		
Mark Delestowicz On-Call Driver	Department on Aging	11/10/2025
James Meyers On-Call Cook	Department on Aging	11/03/2025
<b><u>TRANSFER:</u></b>		
Hayden LeBrun To: Zamboni Driver From: Clubhouse Attendant	From: Golf Course To: Civic Arena	11/07/2025
<b><u>RETURN:</u></b>		
<b><u>SEPARATIONS:</u></b>		
Brianna Kudrow Administrative Assistant	Probate Court	11/28/2025
Mark Delestowicz On-Call Driver	Department on Aging	11/19/2025
James Meyers On-Call Cook	Department on Aging	11/11/2025
Kara Broaddus Youth Dev Worker	Juvenile Home	11/04/2025
Chaz Fowler PT Emergency Relief Coordinator	Veteran Affairs	10/28/2025
<b><u>RETIREMENT:</u></b>		

Personnel Department



**OFFICE OF  
BAY COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**James A. Barcia**  
County Executive

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**TO:** Jerry Crete, Chairman, Commissioner  
**FROM:** James Barcia, Bay County Executive  
**DATE:** December 16, 2025  
**Subject:** Neighbors of the Bay Advertising Agreement

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**Request:** To gain approval from the Board of Commissioners to enter a (1) year agreement with Neighbors of the Bay for advertising. Bay County will advertise monthly for a total of twelve advertisements.

**Background:** Neighbors of the Bay is a magazine in circulation in Bay County with an expanding distribution to Bay County homes valued over \$125,000. It features all Bay County stories, Bay County advertising, and Bay County information.

**Economics:** The advertising costs are currently budgeted into the Bay County Executive budget, and no additional funds are necessary.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board authorize the Board chairman to sign documents related to this project upon favorable review from Corporate Counsel.

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BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 16, 2025

RESOLUTION

BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (12/16/2025)  
 WHEREAS, Neighbors of the Bay is a magazine in circulation throughout Bay County with an expanding distribution to Bay County homes valued over \$125,000; and  
 WHEREAS, The publication features Bay County stories, Bay County advertising, and Bay County information; and  
 WHEREAS, The Bay County Executive wishes to renew the one (1) year Agreement with Neighbors of the Bay for monthly advertising for a total of twelve advertisements; and  
 WHEREAS, The advertising costs are currently budgeted into the Bay County Executive budget, and no additional funds are necessary; Therefore, Be It  
 RESOLVED That the Bay County Board of Commissioners approves the one (1) year renewal Agreement with Neighbors of the Bay and Bay County (Bay County Executive) to advertise monthly for a total of twelve advertisements and authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute the Agreement and all related documents after Corporation Counsel review and approval; Be It Finally  
 RESOLVED That related budget adjustments, if required, are approved.

TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR  
 AND BOARD

County Executive - Neighbors of the Bay Advertising Agreement 2026

MOVED BY COMM. BEGICK

SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
KATHY NIEMIEC	X			LARRY BESON	X			JEROME CRETE	X		
TIM BANASZAK	X			CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP	X						
VAUGHN J. BEGICK	X			JESSE DOCKETT	X						

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

VOICE: YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED X DEFEATED 0 WITHDRAWN 0

AMENDED 0 CORRECTED 0 REFERRED 0 NO ACTION TAKEN 0

## RECREATION & FACILITIES



## BAY COUNTY

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**JAMES A. BARCIA**  
County Executive

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To: Tim Banaszak, Chairman of the Bay County Board of Commissioners  
From: Cristen Gignac, Director of Recreation & Facilities  
Date: December 9, 2025  
Subject: Purchase of a New Mail Machine as Required

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**Request:** For the Bay County Board of Commissioners to authorize the Board to sign agreements related to the purchase of a new Pitney Bowes Mail Machine through the MIdeal contracted price.

**Background:** Bay County processes all department's mail on a postage machine. Our 11-year-old mail machine is not in IMI compliance any longer with the United States Postal Service. In 2026, this upgrade is required by USPS as they will no longer be accepting our postage as currently printed. Bay County has a history of owning each purchased mail machine for at least 10 years and therefore the purchase of a machine is significantly more economical than leasing. This plan requires Bay County to purchase the machine at \$18,305.18. This agreement requires \$124.62 in monthly payments for the rental of the postage meter (because you can't legally own something that prints "currency") and account subscription costs in order to accurately reflect each department's postage costs. In addition, we will have a yearly maintenance contract costing \$2,262.40 after the first year. The purchase agreement, and maintenance/subscription contracts will require board signature.

**Economics:** This project is budgeted in the 2026 budget, specifically. The mail machine will not be invoiced until after installation in early 2026. By signing this agreement in December 2025, Bay County can save significant dollars for the exact same item.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board authorize the Board chairman to sign documents related to this work.

Cc: Jim Barcia, Finance, Corp Counsel

BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 16, 2025

RESOLUTION

BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (12/16/2025)  
 WHEREAS, Beginning in 2026, the United States Postal Service will require all postage machines to meet new compliance standards, and Bay County’s current machine will no longer produce acceptable postage after that date; and  
 WHEREAS, Bay County processes all departmental mail using a postage machine, and the current one is 11 years old and not in IMI compliance any longer with the United States Postal Service; and  
 WHEREAS, Bay County has historically purchased its mail machines and maintained ownership for a minimum of ten years, making purchase a significantly more economical option than leasing, and  
 WHEREAS, To remain in compliance, Bay County must purchase the new machine. The cost is estimated at \$18,305.18; and  
 WHEREAS, The agreement for the purchase requires \$124.62 in monthly payments for the rental of the postage meter which cannot be legally owned because it prints currency and account subscription costs to reflect each department’s postage costs accurately. In addition, a yearly maintenance contract costing \$2,262.40 after the first year is needed; and  
 WHEREAS, This project is budgeted in the 2026 approved budget. The mail machine will not be invoiced until after installation in early 2026. By signing this agreement in December 2025, Bay County can save significant dollars for the same item; Therefore, Be It  
 RESOLVED That the Bay County Board of Commissioners approves the purchase of a new Pitney Bowes Mail Machine through a MIdeal contracted price with funding to come from the 2026 approved Budget and authorizes the Board Chair to sign all agreements related to the purchase, rental, and subscription services following Corporation Counsel review and approval; Be It Further  
 RESOLVED That related budget adjustments, if required, are approved.

TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR  
 AND BOARD

Recreation & Facilities – Purchase of Pitney Bowes Mail Machine

MOVED BY COMM. BEGICK

SUPPORTED BY COMM. NIEMIEC

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
KATHY NIEMIEC	X			LARRY BESON	X			JEROME CRETE	X		
TIM BANASZAK	X			CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP	X						
VAUGHN J. BEGICK	X			JESSE DOCKETT	X						

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ EXCUSED \_\_\_

VOICE: YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED X DEFEATED \_\_\_ WITHDRAWN \_\_\_

AMENDED \_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_ REFERRED \_\_\_ NO ACTION TAKEN \_\_\_

BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 16, 2025

RESOLUTION

- BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (12/16/2025)
- WHEREAS, Bay County previously requested that the Bay County Historical Society store Bay County tax roll books, which are currently housed in the Historical Society’s basement; and
- WHEREAS, The tax roll books now occupy a significant amount of space, creating a storage burden for the Historical Society; and
- WHEREAS, Bay County has coordinated with the Archives of Michigan, which has agreed to accept and transfer approximately 5,500 tax roll books to Lansing, contingent upon the books being organized by tax year and municipality prior to pickup; and
- WHEREAS, Certain redundant or delinquent tax roll materials will not be accepted by the State and must be properly disposed of; and
- WHEREAS, The Bay County Historical Society is willing to assist with organizing the tax roll books for transfer and managing necessary disposal activities, provided appropriate resources are available; and
- WHEREAS, The Bay County Board of Commissioners proposes a one-time appropriation in the amount of \$15,000 to the Bay County Historical Society to support this effort, including temporary labor costs, rental of a trash container for disposal of non-accepted materials, and the purchase of respirators for worker safety; and
- WHEREAS, The existing agreement between Bay County and the Bay County Historical Society must be amended to reflect these responsibilities and the one-time funding allocation; Therefore, Be It
- RESOLVED That the Bay County Board of Commissioners authorizes a one-time appropriation of \$15,000 to the Bay County Historical Society for the limited purpose of organizing, preparing, and disposing of Bay County tax roll books in coordination with the Archives of Michigan, with funds to come from the General Fund, Fund Balance; Be It Further
- RESOLVED That the Board authorizes the amendment of the existing agreement between Bay County and the Bay County Historical Society to reflect the scope of work, responsibilities, and one-time funding described herein, following Corporation Counsel review and approval; Be It Further
- RESOLVED That the appropriate County officials are authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to implement this resolution; Be It Finally
- RESOLVED That related budget adjustments, if required, are approved.

TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR  
AND BOARD

Board of Commissioners - Authorization of Funding for Historical Society Project to Catalog and Prepare County Tax Rolls for State Transfer

MOVED BY COMM. BEGICK

SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
KATHY NIEMIEC	X			LARRY BESON	X			JEROME CRETE	X		
TIM BANASZAK	X			CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP	X						
VAUGHN J. BEGICK	X			JESSE DOCKETT	X						

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YEAS      NAYS      EXCUSED     

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Bay County Register of Deeds

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To: Tim Banaszak, Board Chairman  
From: Brandon Krause, Register of Deeds  
Re: Common Chain Agreement  
Date: December 4, 2025

Honorable Board Members,

The Bay County Register of Deeds would like to enter into a contract with Common Chain, a data extracting company that uses AI technology to extract data from archived records. With Common Chain's process they are able to extract 40+ points of data the Register of Deeds needs to accurately index documents back to 1857.

**There will be no finances needed from the General Fund for this project.**

The Register of Deeds requests, the Board Chair sign all documents pertaining to the Common Chain agreement upon approval of documents by Bay County Corporation Counsel.

Respectfully,

Brandon Krause

Bay County Register of Deeds



BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 16, 2025

RESOLUTION

BY: BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (12/16/2025)  
 WHEREAS, The Bay County Register of Deeds seeks to enter into a contract with Computer Systems, Inc (CSI), and Common Chain for data extraction that utilizes artificial intelligence technology to extract information from archived records; and  
 WHEREAS, Through Common Chain's process, the company is able to extract 40+ points of data that the Register of Deeds needs to accurately index documents back to 1857; and  
 WHEREAS, No General Funds are requested for this project; Therefore, Be It  
 RESOLVED That the Bay County Board of Commissioners approves the Agreement between Computer Systems, Inc (CSI), Common Chain, LLC., and Bay County (Register of Deeds) for a period of three (3) years and authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute the Agreement(s) and all related documents after Corporation Counsel review and approval; Be It Finally  
 RESOLVED That related budget adjustments, if required, are approved.

TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR  
 AND BOARD

Register of Deeds – Common Chain Agreement 2026

MOVED BY COMM. BEGICK  
 SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
KATHY NIEMIEC	X			LARRY BESON	X			JEROME CRETE	X		
TIM BANASZAK	X			CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP	X						
VAUGHN J. BEGICK	X			JESSE DOCKETT	X						

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ EXCUSED \_\_\_

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AMENDED \_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_ REFERRED \_\_\_ NO ACTION TAKEN \_\_\_

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**NOVEMBER 18, 2025**

THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET FOR A REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025, FOURTH FLOOR OF THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING, 515 CENTER AVENUE, BAY CITY, MI 48708. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN TIM BANASZAK AT 4:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS AND GUESTS PRESENT.

ROLL CALL: COMMISSIONERS KATHY NIEMIEC, VAUGHN J. BEGICK, LARRY BESON, CHRISTOPHER T. RUPP, JESSE DOCKETT, JEROME CRETE, AND CHAIRMAN TIM BANASZAK

OTHER MEMBERS: KATHLEEN B. ZANOTTI, BAY COUNTY CLERK  
KAYLA FRIEND, SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY CLERK  
LINDSEY ARSENAULT, BOARD COORDINATOR  
ALEX POIRIER, BOARD ADVISOR

ALSO PRESENT: JIM BARCIA, COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
AMBER DAVIS-JOHNSON, CORPORATION COUNSEL  
MATTHEW BEAVER, DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND VETERAN'S AFFAIRS  
VARIOUS ELECTED OFFICIALS  
VARIOUS DEPARTMENT HEADS

INVOCATION: THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY THE BAY COUNTY CLERK, KATHLEEN B. ZANOTTI

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

IN ADDITION TO THESE TYPED MINUTES, WHICH ARE NOT VERBATIM BUT AN OVERVIEW OF ACTION TAKEN, THIS MEETING WAS VIDEOTAPED BY BCTV AND THOSE TAPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT OR CAN BE VIEWED ON BAY COUNTY'S WEBSITE.

**MINUTES**

MOTION 116: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO APPROVE THE BOARD MINUTES FOR THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2025, AS PRESENTED. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. NIEMIEC AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

MOTION 117: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 18, 2025. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

## **CITIZENS INPUT**

MR. DITTRICK: SHARED HIS DEEP OPINIONS ON THE USE OF FLOCK SECURITY CAMERAS AND EXPRESSED HIS STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE ADOPTION OF THIS PRODUCT. SOME OF THE CONCERNS HE RAISED INCLUDE INCONSISTENT MESSAGING ON USE OF AI AND FACIAL RECOGNITION, DATA MISUSE AND ABUSE FOR ILLEGAL TRACKING/STALKING, PARTICIPATION IN A NATIONAL NETWORK VULNERABLE TO GOVERNMENT PRESSURE, AND BEING PERCEIVED AS PRIORITIZING PROFIT AND DATA COLLECTION OVER PUBLIC INTEREST. HE REVIEWED POTENTIAL MITIGATION MEASURES THAT COULD MAKE THE SYSTEM MORE ACCEPTABLE.

MS. BALL: SHARED THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY IS GOING TO BE HOSTING A WEBINAR ABOUT MARIJUANA AND ITS EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT. THE WEBINAR IS FOR GOVERNING OFFICIALS AND WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>.

## **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

MR. CURRIE: MR. CURRIE IS HERE TODAY TO DELIVER A PRESENTATION UPDATING BAY COUNTY ON THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES. HE DISCUSSED THE THREE AREAS THEY ARE KNOWN FOR: ADVOCACY, EDUCATION, AND SERVICES. HE REVIEWED THE ISSUES THEY PLAN TO FOCUS ON THE NEXT YEAR, WHICH INCLUDES REVENUE SHARING, REFORMING THE EARNED SICK TIME ACT, COMPENSATING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR FUNDS DIVERTED BY THE VETERANS PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION, ADOPTING A PERMANENT STATE SOLUTION TO FUNDING MICHIGAN'S COURTS, AND INCREASING ROAD FUNDING TO ADDRESS MICHIGAN'S INFRASTRUCTURE CRISIS.

HE REVIEWED THE TIMELINE FOR THE FY26 STATE BUDGET AND HOW THE COUNTIES DID. ROAD FUNDING WAS A HUGE

DISCUSSION DURING THE BUDGET DISCUSSION THAT WILL CREATE \$1.5B-\$1.85B PER YEAR AND WILL BE HEAVILY FOCUSED ON LOCAL ROADS. FUNDING SOURCES WILL INCLUDE SALES TAX AT THE PUMP AND A 24% MARIJUANA EXCISE TAX.

ANOTHER TOPIC HE REVIEWED WAS COURT FUNDING. HE EXPLAINED THAT IN 2017, THE LEGISLATURE CREATED THE TRIAL COURT FUNDING COMMISSION, WHICH CAME OUT WITH FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW COURTS SHOULD BE FUNDED, AND HOW THE FEES SHOULD BE DISTRIBUTED. THE LEGISLATURE STARTED TO INTRODUCE SOME BILLS TO REFLECT THE RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT COVID HIT, CAUSING EVERYTHING TO FALL APART. A FEW YEARS AGO, A BILL WAS PASSED THAT WOULD REKINDLE THAT DISCUSSION AGAIN. THOSE WORK GROUPS CAME OUT WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS LAST WEEK AND DID A JOINT HEARING IN THE LEGISLATURE TO PRESENT SOME OF THOSE FINDINGS. CURRENTLY, THEY ARE LUKEWARM ON ADOPTING RECOMMENDATIONS.

HE DISCUSSED THE BILL NUMBERS THAT REFLECT THE REVENUE SHARING TRUST FUND THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS. LAST YEAR, IT PASSED OUT OF THE HOUSE BUT NOT THE SENATE. WITH BIPARTISAN SUPPORT LAST YEAR, THEY HOPE TO GET SOME MOVEMENT ON THE BILLS AGAIN.

THE UPDATES HE SHARED TODAY WERE DISCUSSED WITHIN THEIR POLICY COMMITTEE. HE ALSO PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES AVAILABLE FOR PARTICIPATION, ALONG WITH DETAILS ON THE SERVICES OFFERED BY THEIR ORGANIZATION.

COMM. BANASZAK: IS MAC CONSIDERING A BID FOR MENTAL HEALTH PIHP'S?

MR. CURRIE: YES, WE DID SUBMIT A BID IN RESPONSE TO THE RFP PUT OUT BY MDHHS. WE WERE UNSURE OF WHAT DIRECTION THE DEPARTMENT WAS GOING AND WHAT THEIR INTENT WAS, SO WE WANTED TO HAVE AN OPTION OUT THERE THAT WOULD PRESERVE LOCAL CONTROL. CURRENTLY, WE ARE STILL UNSURE OF WHAT THE DEPARTMENT WILL DO, SO WE HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE.

MOTION 118: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO RECEIVE THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES UPDATE PRESENTATION BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

STEVE CURRIE. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-204: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-204; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HONORED THE MEMORY OF MAJOR GENERAL GARY LAWRENCE EICHHORN, WHO WAS BORN AND RAISED IN BAY CITY, MICHIGAN, AND PROUDLY SERVED HIS COUNTRY FOR 38 YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, RISING TO THE RANK OF MAJOR GENERAL. FOLLOWING HIS DISTINGUISHED MILITARY CAREER, HE CONTINUED TO SHARE HIS PASSION FOR AVIATION AS AN INSTRUCTOR PILOT WITH NORTHWEST AIRLINES. THE BOARD EXTENDS ITS DEEPEST GRATITUDE FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

MS. ZANOTTI: READ RESOLUTION 2025-204, HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF MAJOR GENERAL GARY LEONARD EICHHORN, INTO THE RECORD.

MR. EICHHORN: THANKED THE BOARD FOR THEIR RECOGNITION OF HIS FATHER AND HIS SERVICE.

MOTION 119: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO GO OUT OF THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

COMM. BANASZAK: THIS IS THE TIME FOR PUBLIC INPUT ON THE PROPOSED 2026 BUDGET.

PUBLIC INPUT IS CLOSED FOR THE 2026 BUDGET.

MOTION 120: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO GO BACK INTO THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-205: COMM. BANASZAK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-205; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE 2026 BUDGET, AS PRESENTED TO THE BAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, ON A FUNCTIONAL LEVEL FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND ALL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, SUBJECT TO ALL COUNTY POLICIES REGARDING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS AND THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THIS RESOLUTION. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM.

DOCKETT AND PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

MOTION 121: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO AMEND RES. 2025-205, 2026 BAY COUNTY BUDGET, PARAGRAPH 15 OF THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION BUDGET ACT RESOLUTION TO ADD THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO THE END OF THE SECOND SENTENCE: "EXCEPT FOR WAGE ADJUSTMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO RECLASSIFICATION THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS, WHICH RIGHT IS EXPRESSLY RESERVED TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS." AS AMENDED, THE SENTENCE SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS: "THIS METHOD SHALL BE USED FOR ALL FUTURE WAGE INCREASES EXCEPT FOR WAGE ADJUSTMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO RECLASSIFICATION THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS, WHICH RIGHT IS EXPRESSLY RESERVED TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS." IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

COMM. BANASZAK: THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS EXTENDED ITS APPRECIATION TO THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THIS YEAR'S BUDGET PROCESS. THEY ESPECIALLY THANKED EXECUTIVE JIM BARCIA, FINANCE OFFICER SCOTT TREPkowski, ASSISTANT FINANCE OFFICER KIM PRESSNITZ, STAFF ACCOUNTANT JULIE LAPRAIRIE, PERSONNEL DIRECTOR TIFFANY JERRY, AND CORPORATION COUNSEL AMBER DAVIS-JOHNSON FOR THEIR COUNTLESS HOURS OF WORK. THEY FURTHER RECOGNIZED ALL THE DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS AND BAY COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR THEIR PROFESSIONALISM, COOPERATION, AND DEDICATION TO RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP OF PUBLIC RESOURCES.

HE REVIEWED THE DETAILS OF THE FY2026 BUDGET.

**OCTOBER APPOINTMENTS:**

**APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO BAY COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY (TWO, 6-YEAR TERMS EXPIRING 11/30/31).**

MOTION 122: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO RECEIVE THE APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY (TWO 6-YEAR TERMS EXPIRING 11/30/31). IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

VOTES WERE CAST AS FOLLOWS: (EACH COMMISSIONER VOTED FOR TWO [2] CANDIDATES.

CHAD LUTZ: DOCKETT, CRETE

TRAVIS BRADY: DOCKETT

SCOTT DOYEN: BEGICK, BESON, RUPP, CRETE, NIEMIEC, BANASZAK

DENNIS BANASZAK: BEGICK, BESON, RUPP, NIEMIEC, BANASZAK

MS. ZANOTTI: LUTZ: 2 VOTES, BRADY: 1 VOTE, DOYEN: 6 VOTES, BANASZAK: 5 VOTES.

MOTION 123: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO APPOINT SCOTT DOYEN AND DENNIS BANASZAK TO THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

MOTION 124: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO RECEIVE THE APPLICATION FOR OBSOLETE PROPERTY REHABILITATION EXEMPTION DISTRICT AND CERTIFICATE FOR CARYLON DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIES, LLC- 900 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BAY CITY, MI. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. NIEMIEC AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

MOTION 125: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO RECEIVE THE APPLICATION FOR OBSOLETE PROPERTY REHABILITATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE FOR DS DENHAM PROPERTIES, LLC – 1125 S. WATER STREET, BAY CITY, MI. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. NIEMIEC AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

MOTION 126: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO RECEIVE THE ARENAC COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF INTENT TO UPDATE MASTER PLAN, ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

### **REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS OF COMMITTEES**

#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – NOVEMBER 4, 2025 (JEROME CRETE, CHAIR; KATHY NIEMIEC, VICE CHAIR)**

RES. 2025-206: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-206; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BAY COUNTY EXECUTIVE

PROCLAIMED NOVEMBER 2025 AS VETERANS MONTH IN BAY COUNTY, AND ENCOURAGED ALL CITIZENS, BUSINESSES, SCHOOLS, AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICES OF OUR VETERANS THROUGHOUT THE MONTH. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-207: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-207; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) LED SIGN TRAILERS FOR THE BAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, WITH APPROPRIATIONS INCLUDED IN THE 2025 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUDGET, AND WITH THE PURCHASE TO BE 100% REIMBURSED THROUGH THE FY23 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-208: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-208; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALTA PRO LAWYERS RISK PURCHASING GROUP AND BAY COUNTY FOR PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-209: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-209; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE RENEWAL OF THE COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE (CASA) CONTRACT FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-210: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-210; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE 2025-2026 CHILD CARE FUND ANNUAL PLAN AND BUDGET. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-211: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-211; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE RENEWAL OF THE YOUTH ADVOCATE PROGRAM (YAP) CONTRACT FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-212: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-212; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZED THE BAY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING TO THE

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS (LARA) MEDICAL MARIHUANA OPERATION AND OVERSIGHT GRANT TO ESTABLISH EDUCATION AND OUTREACH EFFORTS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-213: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-213; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BAY COUNTY (HEALTH DEPARTMENT) AND A CERTIFIED LACTATION CONSULTANT. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-214: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-214; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ACCEPTED THE GRANT FUNDING ALLOCATION OF \$10,767 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES AND ENERGY (EGLE) FY2026 TO BE UTILIZED FOR CERTAIN TECHNICAL SERVICES RELATED TO NON-COMMUNITY WATER SUPPLY, DRINKING WATER LONG-TERM MONITORING, PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS, SEPTAGE, AND CAMPGROUNDS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-215: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-215; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZED THE BAY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO RELEASE A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BAY COUNTY PURCHASING POLICY. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-216: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-216; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN MY COMMUNITY DENTAL CENTERS (MCDC) AND BAY COUNTY (HEALTH DEPARTMENT). IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-217: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-217; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZED THE SUBMISSION OF THE MDARD (MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & RURAL DEVELOPMENT) WELFARE GRANT APPLICATION. IT WAS

SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-218: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-218; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE MSU VETERINARY COMMUNITY MEDICINE PROGRAM AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY (MSU) COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE, THROUGH ITS VETERINARY COMMUNITY MEDICINE PROGRAM, AND BAY COUNTY (ANIMAL SERVICES & ADOPTION CENTER). IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-219: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-219; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE RENEWAL OF THE PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN REGION VII AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND BAY COUNTY (DEPARTMENT ON AGING) EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-220: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-220; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE SITE AGREEMENTS WITH WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP, KAWKAWLIN TOWNSHIP, AND HAMPTON TOWNSHIP FOR A ONE (1) YEAR PERIOD (JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026). IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. NIEMIEC AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-221: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-221; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN BAY COUNTY (GOLF COURSE) AND LAMONT CONCESSION AND CATERING FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOLF COURSE SNACK SHOP DURING THE 2026, 2027, AND 2028 SEASONS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-222: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-222; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE RENEWAL OF THE 2026 MEDICARE ADVANTAGE CONTRACT FOR RETIREES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-223: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-223; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED RENEWAL OF THE

CONTRACT WITH COVENANT OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH FOR RANDOM SCREENINGS FOR POSITIONS WHICH REQUIRE A COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE AS REQUIRED THROUGH THE FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-224: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-224; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE CONTRACT WITH DELTA DENTAL FOR DENTAL COVERAGE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-225: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-225; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ELECTED TO EXEMPT BAY COUNTY FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF PUBLIC ACT 152 OF 2011 FOR THE 2026 CALENDAR YEAR. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-226: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-226; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE AGREEMENT WITH LEGALSHIELD AND IDSHIELD FOR THE NATIONAL ENHANCED PLAN. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-227: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-227; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RES. 2025-228: COMM. CRETE MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-228; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE RENEWAL OF PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026, WITH MMRMA AND AUTHORIZED MMRMA TO PROVIDE A QUOTE TO BAY COUNTY FOR THE NEXT TWO (2) YEARS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – NOVEMBER 11, 2025  
(JEROME CRETE, CHAIR; KATHY NIEMIEC, VICE CHAIR)  
MEETING CANCELED (ITEMS REFERRED DIRECTLY TO FULL  
BOARD WITH APPROVAL FROM COMMITTEE CHAIR)**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (TIM BANASZAK, CHAIR;  
VAUGHN J. BEGICK, VICE CHAIR)**

- RES. 2025-229: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-229; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECEIVED THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2025. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.
- RES. 2025-230: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-230; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THE GENEROUS DONATION AND PLACEMENT FROM THE BANGOR DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF A PAD AND BENCH FOR PUBLIC USE ON BAY COUNTY CIVIC ARENA PROPERTY. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.
- RES. 2025-231: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-231; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECEIVED AND CONCURRED WITH THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CHIEF JUDGE TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE BAY COUNTY JUVENILE HOME FROM THE BAY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE BAY COUNTY COURTS, EFFECTIVE UPON LICENSURE OF THE JUVENILE HOME AS A COURT-OPERATED JUVENILE FACILITY. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.
- COMM. BEGICK: IT WAS INTERESTING READING THROUGH HOW THIS TRANSITIONED WITH US BECOMING A COUNTY EXECUTIVE FORM OF GOVERNMENT, AND THEN THE COURT SAID YOU HAD CONTROL, SO WE'RE SWITCHING IT.
- MR. BARCIA: IT GOES BACK TO THE FIRST COUNTY EXECUTIVE, GARY MAJESKE. IT WAS LICENSED AS A CHILD CARE CENTER, AS OPPOSED TO A JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY. IT WAS A MISTAKE BECAUSE OUR STAFF OUT THERE CAN'T RESTRAIN OR TOUCH ONE OF THE JUVENILES, SO THEY CAN'T DEFEND THEMSELVES WHEN THEY ARE ATTACKED. AS A JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY, IT WILL BE SAFER FOR THE STAFF AND THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE HOUSED THERE. I APPRECIATE THE COURTS BEING WILLING TO TAKE THAT RESPONSIBILITY.

- RES. 2025-232: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-232; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED ALLOCATION OF \$360,000 OF THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS FOR USE BY THE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAM TO COVER THE COST OF PLACEMENT OF UP TO 100 INDIVIDUALS IN THE TRI-CAP (OR SIMILAR) RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY. THEY APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED THE CREATION OF AN ENDOWMENT FUND AT THE BAY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TO ADDRESS AND FUND FUTURE OPIOID REMEDIATION WITHIN BAY COUNTY, TO BE FUNDED WITH THE REMAINING ON-HAND, UNALLOCATED OPIOID FUNDS TO BE TRANSFERRED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1, 2025 AND WITH A PORTION OF THE COUNTY'S OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS TRANSFERRED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNUALLY THEREAFTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS SET FORTH WITHIN THIS RESOLUTION. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. RUPP AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.
- MR. BEGICK: I KNOW OUR PROVIDERS OF SERVICES HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS FOR A WHILE TO GET IT TO THE RIGHT SPOT, AND I THINK IT IS NOW. ALSO, I HEARD THAT PURDUE PHARMA HAS SETTLED, SO THERE'LL BE MORE MONEY COMING INTO THE FUNDS FOR US TO ADMINISTER, AND WE'LL HAVE HELP FROM THE FOUNDATION THEN TOO.
- MR. BARCIA: WE HAVE SHAWNA WALRAVEN HERE, WHO IS THE CEO OF THE BAY AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION THAT WILL HANDLE THE DISPURSEMENT OF THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDING.
- MS. WALRAVEN: THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GETTING THOSE FUNDS OUT, MAKING THE MOST IMPACT IN THE COMMUNITY, AND MEASURING THE RESULTS. I'M EXCITED FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND HOPE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND LEARN ABOUT THE PROVIDERS WHO ARE PROVIDING THE TREATMENT AND SERVICES AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY.
- RES. 2025-233: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-233; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE MONITOR TOWNSHIP DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 29, 2016. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

- RES. 2025-234: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-234; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE CONTINUATION OF THE EXISTING BAY COUNTY 911 STAFFING MODEL FOR THE 2026 BUDGET YEAR, MAINTAINING TEN (10) SUPERVISORS AND TWENTY (20) DISPATCHERS AS AUTHORIZED POSITIONS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.
- RES. 2025-235: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-235; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE FOUR (4) YEAR MIDEAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH WEX (WRIGHT EXPRESS) FOR FLEET CARD FUEL SERVICES. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.
- RES. 2025-236: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-236; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SHARK BYTE SOFTWARE DESIGN, LLC AND BAY COUNTY (DEPARTMENT ON AGING) FOR CAREEVANTAGE PROGRAMMING FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2029. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BESON AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.
- RES. 2025-237: COMM. BEGICK MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2025-237; THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE HIRE OF THE TYPIST CLERK III CANDIDATE IN BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS AT THE 1-YEAR RATE (TU-6). IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. DOCKETT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

## **REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENTS**

### **COUNTY EXECUTIVE, JIM BARCIA**

MR. BARCIA: THANKED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, MR. TREPKOWSKI, MS. PRIESSNITZ, THE FINANCE TEAM, MS. JERRY, AND MS. DAVIS-JOHNSON, FOR THEIR HARD WORK ON THE BUDGET. HE ALSO THANKED MR. BEAVER FOR THE COOPERATION THEY WILL HAVE IN TERMS OF A PROGRAM FOR VETERINARY MEDICINE FOR THE BAY COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER. HE GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

### **COUNTY TREASURER, WESTON PRINCE**

MR. PRINCE: GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE TREASURER'S OFFICE FOOD DRIVE THAT WAS COMPLETED OVER THE LAST 2 WEEKS. THEY COLLECTED OVER 1,500 CANS OF FOOD AND DONATED ABOUT 1,300 POUNDS OF FOOD. ADDITIONALLY, THEY COLLECTED \$80 IN CASH THAT WAS TAKEN OVER TO THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

COMM. CRETE: THE 2026 BUILDING AND GROUNDS BUDGET DOES NOT FULLY COVER THE DEPARTMENT'S ANTICIPATED PROJECT NEEDS, AND I WANTED TO AFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING THOSE NECESSARY PROJECTS AS FORMAL REQUESTS COME UP.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

MR. BANASZAK: THANKED THE BOARD FOR APPOINTING HIM TO THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY.

MR. BARCIA: SHARED THAT MICHAEL HALSTEAD, A FORMER COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PASSED AWAY OVER THE WEEKEND.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### 2025 APPOINTMENTS

##### **NOVEMBER**

BAY COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY (TWO, 6-YEAR TERMS EXPIRING: C. LUTZ, T. BRADY)

##### **DECEMBER**

DEPARTMENT ON AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FOUR, 2-YEAR TERMS EXPIRING: DISTRICTS 1,3,5 & 7)

BAY COUNTY VETERAN'S AFFAIR COMMITTEE (TWO, 4-YEAR TERMS: V. BEGICK, T. STEWART)

### **CLOSED SESSION**

**PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(1)(H) TO DISCUSS THE WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION OF OUR ATTORNEY REGARDING THE MONITOR DDA REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT**

MS. DAVIS-JOHNSON: I WOULD REQUEST THAT THE BOARD MOVE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(1)(H) TO DISCUSS THE WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION OF OUR ATTORNEY KEVIN KILBY REGARDING THE MONITOR DDA REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT.

MOTION 127: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE AND PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION.

MOTION 128: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO AUTHORIZE KEVIN KILBY TO NEGOTIATE A REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

**RECESS/ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 129: COMM. DOCKETT MOVED TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR BOARD SESSION OF NOVEMBER 18, 2025. THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 5:56 P.M. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. CRETE AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE: 7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED.

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TIM BANASZAK, CHAIRMAN  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BAY COUNTY MICHIGAN

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KATHLEEN ZANOTTI  
BAY COUNTY CLERK  
BAY COUNTY MICHIGAN

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KAYLA FRIEND  
SECRETARY TO THE CLERK  
BAY COUNTY MICHIGAN

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. DOCKETT

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. RUPP

MOTION NO. : 134

APPROVED THE BOARD MINUTES FOR THE BAY COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF  
NOVEMBER 18, 2025.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

**ROLL CALL:** YEAS      NAYS      EXCUSED     

**VOICE: XX** YEAS   7   NAYS   0   EXCUSED   0  

**DISPOSITION:** ADOPTED   XX   DEFEATED      WITHDRAWN     

AMENDED      CORRECTED      REFERRED

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. DOCKETT

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. BESON

MOTION NO. : 135

APPROVED THE AGENDA FOR THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2025.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

ROLL CALL: YEAS      NAYS      EXCUSED     

VOICE: XX YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED XX DEFEATED      WITHDRAWN     

AMENDED      CORRECTED      REFERRED

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. DOCKETT

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. CRETE

MOTION NO. : 136

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RECEIVED THE HEY! BAY CITY 2025 YEAR-END REPORT.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

**ROLL CALL:** YEAS \_\_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_\_ EXCUSED \_\_\_\_

**VOICE:** XX YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

**DISPOSITION:** ADOPTED XX DEFEATED \_\_\_\_\_ WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_\_\_ REFERRED \_\_\_\_\_

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. BEGICK

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. DOCKETT

MOTION NO. : 137

RECEIVED THE APPLICATIONS FOR AND APPOINTED ROBIN WEISS, DIANN BEHMLANDER, PAUL RABIDOUX, AND DEBRA A. RUSSELL TO THE DEPARTMENT ON AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FOUR, 2-YEAR TERMS).

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

ROLL CALL: YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ EXCUSED \_\_\_

VOICE: XX YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED XX DEFEATED \_\_\_\_\_ WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_\_\_ REFERRED \_\_\_\_\_

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. CRETE

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. BESON

MOTION NO. : 138

RECEIVED THE APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE  
BAY COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (TWO, 4-YEAR  
TERMS).

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

**ROLL CALL:** YEAS \_\_\_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_\_\_ EXCUSED \_\_\_\_\_

**VOICE: XX** YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

**DISPOSITION:** ADOPTED XX DEFEATED \_\_\_\_\_ WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_\_\_ REFERRED \_\_\_\_\_

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. CRETE

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. DOCKETT

MOTION NO. : 139

APPOINTED VAUGHN BEGICK AND TROY STEWART TO THE  
BAY COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

**ROLL CALL:** YEAS \_\_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_\_ EXCUSED \_\_\_\_

**VOICE: XX** YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

**DISPOSITION:** ADOPTED XX DEFEATED \_\_\_\_\_ WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_\_\_ REFERRED \_\_\_\_\_

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. DOCKETT

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. RUPP

MOTION NO. : 140

RECEIVED THE BAY COUNTY TREASURER PUBLIC BOND  
STATUS.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

**ROLL CALL:** YEAS      NAYS      EXCUSED     

**VOICE: XX** YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

**DISPOSITION:** ADOPTED XX DEFEATED      WITHDRAWN       
AMENDED      CORRECTED      REFERRED

**BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: 12/16/2025

MOTION SPONSORED BY: COMM. DOCKETT

MOTION SUPPORTED BY: COMM. CRETE

MOTION NO. : 141

ADJOURNED THE REGULAR BOARD SESSION OF DECEMBER  
16, 2025. THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 4:49 P.M.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Kathy Niemiec	X			Larry Beson	X			Jerome Crete	X		
Tim Banaszak	X			Christopher T. Rupp	X						
Vaughn J. Begick	X			Jesse Dockett	X						

**VOTE TOTALS:**

**ROLL CALL:** YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ EXCUSED \_\_\_

**VOICE: XX** YEAS 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 0

**DISPOSITION:** ADOPTED XX DEFEATED \_\_\_\_\_ WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_  
AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_\_\_ REFERRED \_\_\_\_\_