CHIPPEWA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Session
September 17, 2026

The Chippewa County Board of Commissioners met at a regular session on Thursday, September 17, 2026 in the 91st District Courtroom.

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. with a quorum present. The meeting was also available via zoom. Commissioner Knepper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Commissioners Justin Knepper, Damon Lieurance, Scott Shackleton, James Traynor and Chairman Jim Martin

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESNET: Administrator Kelly Church, Clerk Steven Woodgate, and 14 members of the public. 5 members of the public logged in via zoom.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA
It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to add 9E Central Dispatch Electrical Upgrades to the agenda. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve the amended agenda as presented. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to approve the following minutes as presented:

- Regular Board Meeting – August 13, 2026

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE
It was moved by Commissioner Lieurance, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to receive the correspondence and forward to appropriate offices. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Erik Baron, former Chippewa County Commissioner, informed the people of the County he was commissioner at the time of the hospital merger and he strongly opposed the merger.
Lon Calloway, head captain of Neebish Island Ferry, said EUPTA was the best company he has ever been with and EUPTA does not need any outside help to make it run effectively.
Sarah Karasinski mentioned a single individual can have their experience as she has shared her experiences over the years.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
Administrator Kelly Church provided for informational purposes only – *no action items.*

NEW BUSINESS
Central Dispatch Electrical Upgrades

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve the 1 bid from Bay Electric. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Applications for EUP Transportation Authority Advisory Board Announcement
It was moved by Commissioner Lieurance, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to issue applications for the EUP Transportation Authority Board. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2026-34
The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Shackleton and supported by Commissioner Knepper.

RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF DETECTIVE/SERGEANT JOSEPH LEBLANC

WHEREAS, ***Detective/Sergeant Joseph LeBlanc***, a Brimley High School graduate and active member in the Bay Mills Indian Community, who started his career with the Bay Mills Tribal Police, serving five years before enlisting in the Michigan State Police. ***Detective/Sergeant Joseph LeBlanc*** graduated from the 119th Michigan Trooper Recruit School and then served the Reed City and Sault Ste. Marie posts during his tenure; and

WHEREAS, ***Detective/Sergeant Joseph LeBlanc*** has worked exhaustively and conscientiously at upholding and representing the highly professional image of the Michigan State Police; ***Detective/Sergeant Joseph LeBlanc's*** work ethic, his integrity, and his attention to detail have earned him the utmost regard from his fellow troopers, peers, and supervisors; and

WHEREAS, ***Detective/Sergeant Joseph LeBlanc*** will retire from service with the Michigan State Police, on October 1, 2026, after 26 years of service to the Michigan State Police. He was named Trooper of the Year, received a Professional Excellence Award, and the MADD and Mapes awards during his career, and will be greatly missed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners respectfully dedicates this document to honor and thank ***Detective/Sergeant Joseph LeBlanc*** for his twenty-six years of public service with the State of Michigan and especially for his work in Chippewa County and the Eastern Upper Peninsula.

2. That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners extends their best wishes to ***Detective/Sergeant Joseph LeBlanc*** for many years of enjoyment in his retirement.

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Commissioners Knepper, Lieurance, Shackleton, Traynor, and Chairman Martin
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION 2026-34 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-35
The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Knepper and supported by Commissioner Shackleton.

Conflict Resolution Day
Thursday, October 15, 2026,
Community Mediation Services

Proclamation 2026-35

Whereas, conflict resolution helps people solve disputes and promotes a peaceful community;

Whereas, our citizens have the authority to resolve conflicts independently;

Whereas, conflict resolution empowers individuals, families, and organizations to communicate and find mutually acceptable solutions;

Whereas, Michigan's Community Dispute Resolution Act (Public Act 260 of 1988) established Community Dispute Resolution Centers statewide;

Whereas, the Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Office oversees sixteen such centers, which use trained volunteer mediators;

Whereas, *Community Mediation Services* serves Northern Michigan, with trained volunteers providing essential mediation services;

Whereas, these volunteers offer affordable, quality services that strengthen relationships and avoid costly litigation;

Whereas, Conflict Resolution Day, observed on the third Thursday in October, celebrates mediation and the work of volunteers;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners proclaims Thursday, October 15, 2026, as Conflict Resolution Day in Chippewa County, Michigan. We encourage all citizens to recognize and support conflict resolution through mediation and related services.

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

AYES:	Commissioners Knepper, Lieurance, Shackleton, Traynor, and Chairman Martin
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	None

RESOLUTION 2026-35 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-36
The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Shackleton and supported by Commissioner Lieurance.

Proclamation 2026-36

Honoring 45 Years of Compassionate Hospice Service
and the Life of Rosemary Blashill

WHEREAS, Hospice of EUP has, for forty-five years, provided compassionate, dignified, and life-affirming care to individuals and families facing life's final chapter, and

WHEREAS, among its founding members was Rosemary Blashill, whose vision, dedication, and unwavering commitment helped shape the mission and values that continue to guide the organization today, and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Blashill devoted her life to public health ensuring every patient was met with comfort and respect, leaving an indelible mark on the hearts of colleagues, volunteers, and countless families she and Hospice of the EUP served; and

WHEREAS, her passing reminds us of the profound impact one person can have in easing the burdens of others, and her legacy will live on in the work of the hospice she helped build; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaim October 1, 2026, as a day to honor **45 Years of Hospice Service** and to celebrate the life and legacy of **Rosemary Blashill**, expressing our deepest gratitude for her extraordinary contributions and compassionate spirit.

Proclamation Declared Adopted.

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Commissioners Knepper, Lieurance, Shackleton, Traynor, and Chairman Martin
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION 2026-36 DECLARED ADOPTED

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PERSONNEL, EQUALIZATION AND APPORTIONMENT/TRANSPORTATION/HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Approval of the Agenda
It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioners Knepper, to approve the agenda as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Personnel – Sheriff's Office – Protect the Protectors – Employee Wellness Program
The Committee listened to a presentation by Dr. Joel Robertson from the Robertson Research Institute who offers a non-profit 501(C)3 wellness/brain-health program specifically designed for first responders, including law enforcement, firefighters, dispatchers and other public-safety personnel. The program focuses on helping responders manage the long-term effects of occupational stress and improve emotional, physical and mental well-being through educational seminars, individualized strategic plans, and follow-up assessments. This is a wellness program is structured first-responders including patrol officers, corrections officers and dispatchers, where the participants receive a personalized brain health assessment, analytical insights with actionable strategies for daily health, performance and relationships. Discussion followed with Committee member Knepper asking about potential programing that could include the other

local and city personnel. Undersheriff Ryan Hering summarized the program and its potential benefits to the road patrol and corrections officers; the Sheriff's Office will be seeking approval to move on to Phase II for the road patrol officers and starting Phase I for the corrections staff. Administration will check with Central Dispatch Director Greg Postma, about the SNC approval to determine if this is something that he would also like to implement.

A five-minute break between agenda items was taken at 11:47 a.m.

Personnel – Health Department – CCHD Association with LMAS Recommendation

County and Health Department Administration updated the Committee with a recommendation to enter into an Association Agreement with the LMAS in preparation for the retirement of the Chippewa County Health Officer in June 2027. The annual cost of the agreement for 2027 would be approximately $174,472, which includes .50 FTE Health Officer, .15 FTE Community Health Director, .20 FTE School-Based Health Coordinator and .05 FTE Deputy Health Officer. The Association Agreement will have an annual increase in costs to be agreed upon by all parties. This cost would be offset by approximately $175,000.00 in eventual annual personnel savings. Overall, the proposed Association Agreement offers continuity of leadership, preserves Chippewa County's local public health structure, avoids potential disruption to state funding, supports existing employees, and programs, and creates a responsible framework for greater efficiency and cooperation through attrition and shared responsibilities. The final Association Agreement will be presented to the full board once drafted and approved by MDHHS. No action was taken.

Personnel – Health Department – Lead Role effective 6/1/2027, County Scale 12

The Association Agreement with LMAS will require Chippewa County to designate an employee to serve in a local lead role position and assist with coordinating day-to-day operations. We recommend assigning that responsibility to the county's current Emergency Preparedness Coordinator. The employee's salary would initially increase by approximately $12,000 to a County Grade 12 (following Policy 211), with the total increase eventually reaching up to $20,000 annually, plus associated fringe-benefit costs. No action was taken.

Personnel – Non-Union Updated PayScale and Switch Health Department Employees to County Scale

The Committee discussed proposed pay raises for non-union employees; reviewed salaries of the non-union employees for its annual consideration. These annual adjustments aim to ensure wage competitiveness and retain qualified staff. The proposed increase is based on union and non-union percentage increases over the past years; the prosed 2% increase for approximately 60 full-time positions is estimated at $90,000.00 annually. The 2% increase would include changing over the final ten positions from the Health Department including the Supervisors, Sanitarians, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Information Systems Technician, Health Educator, SHACC Clerk/Tech being added to the County pay scale and to pay the Hearing and Vision Technician hours at the County Grade 7, all effective 9/27/2026. Following lengthy discussion and review of the pay scale, cost estimates, comparables and the positions changing from the Health Department scale to the County. The Committee discussed the county budget overall and the affordability of the continued increases and overall concerns for a balanced budget and the MERS current unfunded liability of almost 18 million dollars.

It was moved by Commissioner Lieurance, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve and authorize a non-union wage increase of 2% effective September 27, 2026, including adding the final Health Department positions to the County scale, as presented for the Supervisors, Sanitarians, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Information Systems Technician, Health Educator, SHACC Clerk/Tech being added to the County pay scale and to pay the Hearing and Vision Technician hours at the County Grade 7. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Personnel – Building Inspector Position Options

The Committee was updated on the Building Inspector's resignation effective September 25, 2026, and presented with a couple options which have not been fully researched due to the limited timing of the announcement and the lack of receiving SOM qualified Building Officials resumes. The County could seek assistance for 60 days from the State of Michigan to step in and handle the approximately 280 open permits; the State would invoice the County at the State rate for services allowable for each plan review/permit performed by the State; this arrangement can be sought to be extended for an additional 60-days. The County could also rescind our authority effective September 25, 2026, which we are still determining how the current permits would transfer over to the State of Michigan. If we were to find a qualified building official, we could be reassigned as a building official authority at that time. Notification to the Townships regarding the Building Official would need to be a consideration, we do have one township that does have their own building official (Pickford), which the Townships could also consider. We will be keeping the part-time staff on to assist with either the State of Michigan assistance or the transfer of files. Administration will still need to follow up on the soil erosion program and the recently updated National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Lengthy discussion took place with topics including reaching out to current building license holders/contractors to make them aware of the job opening, increase in the pay grade and the importance of trying to keep this position in-house to help with the response time and the local economy.

It was moved by Commissioner Lieurance, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to seek the 60-day assistance from the State of Michigan's LARA, to send out letters to licensed builders/contractors and to increase the pay grade to the County Grade 12. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Health and Social Services – Chippewa County Community Health Needs Assessment – September 15, 2026

The Committee received the invitation to attend the Community Health Needs Assessment presentation on September 15, 2026.

CLOSED SESSION

Collective Bargaining Negotiations pursuant MCL 15.268 (c)

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to enter closed session to discuss collective bargaining negotiations, pursuant to MCL 15.268 (c).

Roll call vote 3-0. Closed session began at 12:37 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Knepper, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to exit closed session wherein we discussed upcoming collective bargaining negotiations, pursuant to MCL 15.268 (c).

Roll call vote 3-0. Return to open session at 12:54 p.m.

It was moved by Commissioner Lieurance, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to accept the minutes as presented. On a voce vote, the motion CARRIED.

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
September 15, 2026

AGENDA ITEMS

Health Department – Sault Health Adolescent Care Center Policy 7.01.054(new)

The Committee reviewed a new policy regarding safely administering allergy injections in the clinical practice at the Sault Health Adolescent Care Center (SHACC).

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to acknowledge and approve a new SHACC policy 7.01.054 for administration of allergy injections, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Health Department – HVAC Air Handler and VAV System Refresh with CLMCAA, using Public Health Infrastructure Grant

The Committee reviewed an opportunity to partner with Chippewa-Luce-Mackinac Community Action Agency, Inc. (CLMCAA) to release a request for proposals from qualified mechanical engineering firms to perform a comprehensive existing-condition assessment of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems serving the Avery Square's 1st floor. The Health Department to utilize the Public Health Infrastructure Grant monies to pay for their portion of the work that is attributed to the HVAC system serving the Health Department.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the release to seek proposals for a comprehensive existing-condition assessment of the heating ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems serving the Avery Square's 1st floor; including the Health Department portion which the expenses will be split proportionality, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Health Department – Grant Agreements all 10-1-2026 through 9-30-2027
Sault Health Adolescent Care Center (SHACC) $275,000.00
Local Health Department Grant EGLE $103,588.00
Public Health Infrastructure Grant $298,356.00

The Committee reviewed the grant agreements for the Sault Health Adolescent Care Center (SHACC) in the amount of $275,000.00 between the Health Department and Michigan Primary Care Association to provide Adolescent Health at the SHACC; the Local Health Department Grant Agreement between the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy and the Health Department in the amount of $103,588.00 for the following services: drinking water and noncommunity drinking water programs, septage program, funding including Type II Public, Drinking Water, Campground Program,

Public Swimming Pool Program and the Septage Program and the Public Infrastructure Notice of Award in the amount of $298,356.00. These contracts all cover October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to accept and authorize the three grants as presented as follows Sault Health Adolescent Care Center (SHACC) $275,000.00; Local Health Department Grant EGLE $103,588.00; and Public Health Infrastructure Grant $298,356.00. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

District Court – Law Library (3-year deal) V|lex $2,550.00 FY26 with a 3% annual increase
The Committee reviewed the V|lex order for the public access law library needs; with a current annual cost of $2,550.00, the request is to approve a 3-year deal that will reflect a 3% annual cost increase yearly; the cost for 2027/2028 will increase to $2626.50; 2028/2029 - $2705.30 and 2029/2023 to $2786.50 for the Unites States Core (Corporate Edition). V|lex will provide access to statues, case law and court rules for the public computer.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize a 3-year deal with V|lex to provide the content for the public access law library needs with a current cost of $2,550.00 for 2026/2027; and $2,626.50, $2,705.30 and $2,786.50 for the following 3 years ending 2029/2030, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Family Court – (Approve and Authorize)
Child Care Budget Summary 10-1-2025 to 9-30-2026 $816,505.54
Juvenile Justice Intervention (JJI) and 50th Circuit Court Contract $109,500.00
The Committee reviewed the annual County Child Care Budget Summary (DHS-2091) showing total expenditures of $816,262.83; and showing the cost sharing ratios covering October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027 and the contract agreement between Juvenile Justice Intervention and 50th Circuit Court (Family Division) for Youth and Family Intervention Services in the amount of $109,500.00 which provides solution-based family therapy and home-based intervention services with the goal of helping youth remain in their family home through outpatient services instead of being placed into inpatient treatment.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize the Chippewa County Child Care Budget Summary totaling $816,505.54 and the $109,500.00 Juvenile Justice Intervention (JJI) Agreement both with 50th Circuit Court (Family Division) covering October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Information Systems – Emergency Agreement Service Contracts and Emergency Server Pricing
The Committee was asked to review for a 3-year renewal of the Information Systems Emergency Services support agreements and the pricing notices for the following Departments: Bay Mills EMS, Bay Mills PD, City of Sault Ste. Marie Fire & Police Departments, Drummond Island Fire Department, Mackinac County 911, Raber Fire Department and Sault Tribe Police Department as the Chippewa County Information Systems' provides network supports for all software and connections to the County, multifactor authentication (MFA), mobile Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) support, run report support, Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) access with option of add-ons by the departments.

Effective January 1, 2027, it is asked that the following pricing be approved: county labor $27.50 per hour; $82.93 Talon software per user (law enforcement only); Absolute Secure Access $73.27 per device, intrusion protection (fire wall) $37.50 per device, MFA $91.69 per user; pricing does change based on the number of subscribers and pricing might increase or decrease based on the county agreements with the vendors.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, approved and authorized the Information Systems Emergency Services support contracts with Bay Mills EMS, Bay Mills PD, City of Sault Ste. Marie Fire & Police Departments, Drummond Island Fire Department, Mackinac County 911, Raber Fire Department and Sault Tribe Police Department for a three-year term; and the pricing as presented and referenced above, noting that the pricing can change based on the number of subscribers and vendor agreements. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Information Systems – Technology Services Agreement with City of St. Ignace Police Department 10/10/2026 to 12/31/2029

The Committee reviewed the Technology Service Agreement between Chippewa County's Information Systems' and City of St. Ignace Police Department this statement of work running from 10/10/2026 to 12/31/2029, offering labor services of backup storage, vulnerability scanning and patching, and internet security. Fees will be authorized annually by the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, and the agreement has a 60-day notice requirement.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize the Technology Services Agreement between Chippewa County and the City of St. Ignace Police Department for a period of 10/10/2026 to 12/31/2029, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Information Systems – Policy 512 Multi-factor Authentications (new)

The Committee reviewed a new policy regarding county users' requirements for logging into County systems to ensure authorized access and to protect our confidential data.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to acknowledge and approve new policy No. 512 Multi-factor Authentication, to ensure authorized access and to protect the County's data, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Information Systems – Prosecutors Server Project – Re-bid as no bidder met requirements

The Committee was asked to rebid the Prosecuting Attorney's server project (SOM Grant) as the original requests received did not meet bid requirements.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve the request for proposals for the Prosecutor's server project for a second round. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Medical Examiner – Agreement Addendum, to include approval of cremation permits with $25.00 reimbursement to Kyle Raycraft, M.D.

The Committee reviewed an addendum to Kyle Raycraft. MD agreement to provide Medical Examiner Services, the addendum will add the approval of cremation permits that are not related to the medical examiner cases, Dr. Raycraft will be reimbursed at $25.00 for each permit authorized.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the addendum agreement for Dr. Kyle Raycraft, adding authorization of cremation permits, with a reimbursement of $25.00 for each cremation approval not related to a medical examiner case. On a voice vote, the motion CARRED.

Sheriff's Office – Stonegarden Purchases

Purchase two sets of Night Vision Goggles for $6,890.00

Purchase Replacement Collar Set and bow cover for the Safe Boat $18,000.00

The Committee reviewed two Stonegarden reimbursement purchases requests from Captain Justin Fruchey, the first in the amount of $6,890.00 (low quote) to purchase two sets of night vision goggles, PVS-14 GEN 3 monocular goggles, from Galls, utilizing FY24 Stonegarden Funds. The second reimbursement request is to purchase a replacement collar set and bow cover for the County's Safe Boat, as the original protective collar has begun to peel and tear, resulting in the boat slowly taking on water and causing it to list. The replacement collar is a special-order item from Safe Boats International at the cost of $11,626.44. Installation of the collar set will be completed in-state and the Sheriff's Office is asking to spend up to $6,373.56 on the installation, as the Stonegarden project is approved to use up to $18,000.00 from the FY25 Stonegarden grant funds.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the two Stonegarden reimbursement projects, as presented; from Gall's two sets of night vision goggles (PVS-14 GEN 3) at the cost of $6,890.00 and $18,000.00 for a project to purchase a new collar set and bow cover for the Safe Boat, $11,626.44 special order from Safe Boats International and authorizing up to $6,373.56 for the installation. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Sheriff's Office – MCOLES Sponsorship for three candidates $25,000.00 each with $20,000.00 grant for each

The Sheriff's Office requested approval for sponsoring up to three individuals through the upcoming MCOLES (Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards) academy. The Sheriff's Office will seek the PSAA Appropriation III grant which will cover up to $20,000.00 per candidate of the estimated $25,000.00 to cover the recruit during the sponsorship. The Sheriff's Office is required to pay the recruit at least minimum wage while attending the academy and is asking for the hourly pay to be set at $15.00 per hour.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve the Sheriff's Office to sponsor up to three individuals for the upcoming MCOLES academy, to seek the PSAA Appropriation III reimbursement grant of $20,000.00 per recruit and to pay the recruits $15.00 per hour while attending the academy, noting the total estimated cost per recruit of $25,000.00, with the excess being paid by the general fund. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Sheriff's Office – Lenslock contract extension for in-car cameras, body cameras and interview room to match contract expirations $6,997.60 in September 2026 and $66,934.68 in September 2027 to extend all contracts to 2031

The Committee reviewed a request from the Sheriff's Office that will align all contracts with Lenslock, who is our vendor for the in-car cameras, body cameras and the interview camera through 2031. The new contract with all the extensions would cost the County $6,997.60 in September 2026 and $66,934.68 in September 2027. The Sheriff's Office will seek a MMRMA (Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority) Rap Grant which based on prior awards should cover about one third of the cost of the 2027 cost. The 2026 charge of $6,997.60 would be paid from 273-000-979.000 and the 2027 charges would be included in the budget process.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the Sheriff's Office request to extended the Lenslock contract for the in-car, body and interview cameras for that they align for a September 2031 expiration date, with $6,997.60 due September 2026 from 273-000-979.000 and to budget $66,934.68 in the 2027 budget and to seek an MMRMA Rap Grant to offset the 2027 cost. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Central Dispatch – Purchase Three Laptops for $7,323.57, needs budget amendment

The Committee reviewed a request from Central Dispatch Director Greg Postma to purchase three Dell Pro 16 Laptops, which will help accomplish three things for Central Dispatch:1) enough positions for training are available during the training; 2) redundancy would allow Central Dispatch to set up a backup center and 3) mobile deployment to deploy to mobile events. This purchase is a sole provider purchase due to the contract with Tyler and the required specifications provided by UP911 Authority, the cost is $2,441.19 per computer, total cost of $7,323.57. The Director is asking for a $7,500.00 budget amendment for 211-000-978.000 from the fund balance and indicated that Fund 211 will see future savings due to a decrease in the number of VPN's needed, those savings will be seen towards the end of 2027.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve the purchase of three laptops from Empiric Solutions at the total price of $7,323.57, to meet the UP911 Authority provisions with the new CAD provider Tyler and to approve a $7,500.00 budget amendment to 211-000-978.000. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Central Dispatch – 800 mhz Pager Project – waive RFQ policy due to State of Michigan contract; purchased previously approved by the Board of Commissioners

The Committee reviewed a request to waive the County's Purchasing Policy NO. 320; as there is no advantage for the County to proceed with a competitive bid due to the State of Michigan's set pricing for the Unication G4 pagers. Director Postma will process this project through GTMC (Grand Traverse Mobile Communications) Inc. out of Traverse City.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to waive the County's Purchasing Policy No. 320 for the purchase of the Unication G4 pagers. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Central Dispatch – FEMA Appendix B – Federal Funding Certification of Compliance (authorize signature)

The Committee reviewed a request to authorize signature on FEMA document Appendix B – Federal Funding – Subrecipient Certification of Compliance with Foreign National Vetting Requirements – which is part of new federal requirements. This document addresses employment and vetting of foreign nationals who may work for Chippewa County and receive payroll funding through these grants. Currently the county applies for and is awarded HSGP (Homeland Security Programs and Emergency Management Performance) grants.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize signature of the Board Chair Jim Martin for the FEMA – Appendix B Subrecipient Certification of Compliance with Foreign National Vetting Requirements. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Central Dispatch – EMD-017 Certification of Appointment of Local Emergency Management Coordinator (authorize)

The Committee reviewed a request to authorize the Michigan State Police Emergency Management and Homeland Security Coordinator Information updating the EMD-021 listing Operations Manager Sara Ostwald as the Deputy Coordinator, replacing Tammy Peyton.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve, authorize and certify the EMD-021 change, naming Operations Manager Sara Ostwald as the Deputy Coordinator for the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division pursuant to Public Act 390 of 1976. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Central Dispatch – FY2027 Emergency Management Performance Grant Initial Work Agreement (authorize)

The Committee reviewed a request to authorize the FY2027 Emergency Management Performance Grant – Initial Work Agreement, by authorizing the County is certifying their commitment to maintaining the minimum standards of an effective emergency management program in Michigan and acknowledges the role of quarterly reporting. The County while receiving Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) funding must maintain all grant documentation.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize the FY2027 Emergency Management Performance Grant – Initial Work Agreement, acknowledging the reporting and documentation requirements, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Building and Grounds – Bid Summary North Side Sally Port Ceiling Replacement– One Bid $69,839.58

The Committee received and reviewed the south side sally port ceiling replacement bid received from JAMA Developments LLC; bid total $69,839.58 to replace and install a durable, weather-resistant, insulated ceiling system suitable for a high-use sally port environment and needs to match the existing 2-foot by 4-foot insulated ceiling tile system currently installed in the south side sally port.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the bid from JAMA Developments LLC to replace and install the new ceiling system as quoted in the amount of $69,839.58. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Building and Grounds – Quote for Circuit Court Ceiling Repairs $4,477.50

The Committee reviewed an estimate from JAMA Development LLC to repair, replaster, and repaint six feet of trim on the circuit courtroom ceiling that fell on September 3rd; the failure appears to be from the old water leak, and the nails were rusted and the wood had fallen apart.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve the estimate from JAMA Development LLC in the amount of $4,477.50 to repair, replaster and repaint the 6-foot area on the ceiling in the Circuit Courtroom. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Building and Grounds – Professional Design Services County Building Additional Space needs for Community Corrections, Specialty Courts and Secured Systems Hardware Equipment Area $29,500.00

The Committee reviewed the professional services agreement from UPEA Engineers & Architects to provide design services for the new 20' x 30' addition in the existing covered parking on the south side of the building for community corrections, specialty courts and a secure systems hardware equipment area in the amount of $29,500.00. This project was also discussed in 2022 as a smaller scale project; the project will eliminate use of the public restrooms for drug testing; consolidate the area of the specialty courts, which will free up space for the Veterans Counselor's office to be moved to the garden level of the basement for easier access and eliminate weekend access to the buildings by the specialty courts.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve the agreement for UPEA Engineers & Architects to provide architectural and engineering services for a new 20' x 30' addition in the existing covered parking on the south side of the County Building at the price of $29,500.00. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

MIDC/Public Defender contracts – Legal Services Agreement (Conflict Attorney) 10-1-2026 to 9-30-2027

- **Alfred Feleppa, Brian Bloch, Chad Peltier, Diane Kay-Hougaboom, Craig Elhart, W. Clayton Graham and Lillian E. Harmon**

Upon review, the Committee noted the hourly rates of pay per the MIDC; $135/hour for arraignments/misdemeanors, $145.00/hour for felonies, $160/hour for capital cases plus mileage at $0.76/mile, or current federal mileage rate. The Committee approved the contracts as presented.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the new Legal Services contracts starting October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027, for MIDC Conflict Attorneys, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

NorthCare Network Agreements – FY 2027 Awards

Chippewa County Health Department - $10,540.00
Mental Health Court - $10,540.00
50th Circuit Court – DWI/Drug Court - $10,540.00

The Committee reviewed Awards between NorthCare Network for the Health Department, Mental Health Court, and Circuit Court's DWI/Drug Court, providing $10,540.00 for the Health Department's harm reduction services; Mental Health Court $10,540.00 for payment for salary, travel, supplies, equipment and other expenses and 50th Circuit Court Drug Court $10,540.00 for travel, supplies, and contractual services.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and accept the Awards with NorthCare Networks with the Health Department - $10,540.00, Mental Health Court - $10,540.00, and 50th Circuit Court Drug Court - $10,540.00, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

50th Circuit Court - Drug Court contracts 10-1-2026 to 9-30-2027

The Committee reviewed contracts for the 50th Circuit Court Drug Court Forensic Fluids $29.00/kit, $22/sample and $12/bag and Great Lakes Recovery Centers, Inc. total agreement in the amount of $20,040.00, for no more than $10,000.00 for group sessions and no more than $10,040.00 for individual sessions for approval.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve and authorize the 50th Circuit Drug Court contracts for 10-1-2026 to 9-30-2027 for Forensic Fluids and Great Lakes Recovery Centers, Inc. ($20,040) fees as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

District Court – Mental Health SOM Contract $108,910.00 and Coordinator LLC Contract Court Administered Recovery Expert, LLC

The Committee reviewed an agreement between Chippewa County Mental Health Court and Court Administered Recovery Expert, LLC, covering October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027, to compensate the contractor at an hourly rate of $45 per hour to ensure project-wide coordination and completion of goals, objectives, and commitments in the SCAO grant and any adjunct cooperative agreements for the Mental Health Court; billable time will not exceed, on average, 40 hours per week. The Agreement signatories will be Judge Blubaugh and District Court Administrator Christy Meilstrup, due to oversight of the Specialty Court. The Committee also reviewed the 91st District Court – Adult Mental Health Court Award letter from the Michigan Supreme Court in the amount of $108,910.00, including the budget breakdown.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize the Agreement between Chippewa County Mental Health Court and Court Administered Recovery Expert, LLC; and to accept the Michigan Supreme Court award of $108,910.00 for the 91st District Court Mental Health Court. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration –MERS 2026 Officer Delegate Cady Bauers

The Committee reviewed a request to delegate Cady Bauers as the Officer (and alternate) delegate for the upcoming MERS Conference, so she can represent Chippewa County during the MERS Annual Business Meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to delegate Cady Bauers as the Officer Delegate for the MERS 2026 Annual Business Meeting, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) Withdrawals

- **County - $650,000.00**
- **Health Department - $350,000.00**
- **EDC $20,331.96**

The Committee was updated on the second OPEB withdrawals for the County, EDC and Health Department to cover the cost of retiree health care for FY2026, noting the withdrawals will be made on 9/30/2026 following the advice of Morgan Stanley's Jessica Fitzgerald.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve and authorize OPEB FY2026 withdrawals to cover retiree health care expenses for FY2026; withdrawals of $650,000 for the County, $350,000.00 for the Health Department and $20,331.96 for the EDC, to be made on 9/30/2026. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – Release Snowplowing and Removal RFQ's

The Committee was asked to authorize release of annual snowplowing and removal RFQ's for the County Building lot, Bingham Street parking, and at Central Dispatch, including a three-year contract option.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to release the RFQ's for snowplowing and removal, including a three-year contract option. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – City of Sault Ste. Marie Downtown Sidewalk Clearing Program $4,187.75 for 319 Court and 325 Court Street and Armory Place/Bingham Avenue

The Committee reviewed the City of Sault Ste. Marie Downtown Sidewalk Snow Clearing Program documents including 319 Court Street, 325 Court Street, and Armory Pl/Bingham with a total annual cost of $4,187.75; the County has been utilizing this program for the past several years to help keep up with the snow removal, but with the purchase of the tractor a discussion followed and no action was taken.

Administration – Consent to Transfer of Engagement and Files from Anderson, Tackman and Co. to A., Cedric & Michaels CPA's, PLLC

The Committee reviewed the letter of consent to transfer engagement and files, notice from A., Cedric & Michaels CPA's, PLLC regarding the County's engagement with Anderson, Tackman and Co., and our upcoming audits for 2026, 2027 and 2028 for the financial audit of Chippewa County and the Health Department special revenue fund as well as the preparation of Form F-65, the Uniform Guidance Requirements, the electronic filing of the Basic Financial Statements, Data Collection form and Annual F-65 Report. The transfer will take effect on the date of signed consent which will end our Anderson Tackman engagement.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve the Consent to Transfer of Engagement and Files from Anderson, Tackman to A., Cedric & Michaels, CPA's PLLC for the County's 2026, 2027 and 2028 audits, preparation of Form F-65, the Uniform Guidance

Requirements, the electronic filing of the Basic Financial Statements, Data Collection form and Annual F-65 Report, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – Financial Management Policy 310 – Accounts Payable Update

The Committee reviewed the updated Accounts Payable policy No. 310 adding information about accounts payable, check run dates and clarifying payment timing for clients' needs for emergency housing, rent, food, medical, etc.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Traynor, to approve the updated Accounts Payable Policy 310, as amended and presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Finance - Claims and Accounts – August County

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to recommend the approval of August bills and payroll: general claims $659,701.88, other fund claims $1,386,718.19, payroll $888,327.46 total claims $2,937,727.53, to approve budget amendments, as presented and to acknowledge the various monthly financial reports. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

9/15/2026		Chippewa County				
		Budget Amendments				
Special Funds - Revenue			Original Budget	Amended Budget	Change	Description
104-000-543.000	Trident Narcotic Task Force Gr	Revenue	$ -	$ 7,439.12	$ 7,439.12	Task Force Grant received
221-604-605.000	Health Department	Travel Imm's	$ 2,000.00	$ 4,500.00	$ 2,500.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-604-605.002	Health Department	Travel Imm's	$ -	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-608-605.000	Health Department	TB Control	$ -	$ 350.00	$ 350.00	increase budget based based on actual YTD Rev
221-608-605.002	Health Department	TB Control	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,750.00	$ 750.00	increase budget based based on actual YTD Rev
221-801-675.001	Health Department	Admin	$ -	$ (3,847.00)	$ (3,847.00)	Prior year MCBR amountis unknow until finialized adjusted to actua
221-801-676.000	Health Department	Admin	$ -	$ 36,500.00	$ 36,500.00	Amendment os to reflect the YTD actual activities
221-804-591.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	0.00	3,430.00	$ 3,430.00	Increased revenue line item to cover expected LCSA revenue sprea
221-804-605.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	400.00	1,650.00	1,250.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and dema
221-814-605.000	Health Department	Private Loan Evaluations	1,000.00	1,675.00	$ 675.00	Increased revenue line item to cover expected LCSA revenu
221-823-605.000	Health Department	Septage Waste Management	0.00	180.00	$ 180.00	Increased revenue line item to cover expected LCSA revenu
233-000-543.296	PA SOM Grant	Revenue	$ -	$ 131,903.00	$ 131,903.00	New PA Som Grant
296-000-541.040	HUD MSC 00-00-0731 Grant	Program Income	$ 35,000.00	$ 60,000.00	$ 25,000.00	Increased Program Income from early payoffs
					$ 209,130.12	
Regular - Expenditures						
101-901-980.000	Vehicles	Capital Outlay	$ 188,000.00	$ 268,000.00	$ 80,000.00	Purchase 80HP Tractor
					$ 80,000.00	
Special Funds - Expenditures						
104-000-706.000	Trident Task Force	Overtime	$ 1,000.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 1,000.00	Increased Overtime
104-000-979.000	Trident Narcotic Task Force Gr	Equipment	$ -	$ 7,439.12	$ 7,439.12	Task Force Grant Equipment Expense
221-604-780.000	Health Department	Travel Imm's	$ 4,600.00	$ 5,600.00	$ 1,000.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-804-705.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	$ -	$ 1,100.00	$ 1,100.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-804-715.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	$ -	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-804-727.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	$ -	$ 20.00	$ 20.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-804-801.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	$ -	$ 50.00	$ 50.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-804-850.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	$ -	$ 10.00	$ 10.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-804-965.000	Health Department	Adult & Child Care FAC/FIA	$ -	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,500.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-814-705.000	Health Department	Private Loan Evaluations	$ 400.00	$ 900.00	$ 500.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-814-715.000	Health Department	Private Loan Evaluations	$ 200.00	$ 350.00	$ 150.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-814-727.000	Health Department	Private Loan Evaluations	$ -	$ 25.00	$ 25.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
221-823-715.000	Health Department	Septage Waste Management	$ 800.00	$ 980.00	$ 180.00	Increased budget to account for increases activities and demand in
233-000-704.296	PA SOM Grant	Wages - Intership	$ -	$ 4,375.00	$ 4,375.00	PA SOM Grant Wages Intership
233-000-705.296	PA SOM Grant	Wages - Retention & Signing Bonus	$ -	$ 35,700.00	$ 35,700.00	PA SOM Grant Wages - Retention & Signing Bonus
233-000-715.296	PA SOM Grant	Fringe from Wages	$ -	$ 17,175.00	$ 17,175.00	PA SOM Grant Fringe from Wages
233-000-804.296	PA SOM Grant	Expert Witnesses	$ -	$ 10,000.00	$ 10,000.00	PA SOM Grant Witnessess
233-000-860.296	PA SOM Grant	Training & Travel	$ -	$ 10,500.00	$ 10,500.00	PA SOM Grant Training & Travel
233-000-978.296	PA SOM Grant	Equipment & Supplies	$ -	$ 54,153.00	$ 54,153.00	PA SOM Grant Equipment & Supplies
249-000-742.000	Building Inspection Fund	Vehicles - Gas/oil/main	$ 7,000.00	$ 12,000.00	$ 5,000.00	Maintnenace on vehicle
249-000-860.000	Building Inspection Fund	Travel	$ 2,500.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 1,500.00	Vehicle use while County vehicle repaired
254-000-801.000	Opioid Settlement	Professional Services/Fee	$ -	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00	Fee to Health Dept
254-000-832-003	Opioid Settlement	Contractual Drug Circuit Court	$ -	$ 3,050.00	$ 3,050.00	Budget Contract for FY2025 Funds
257-000-801.200	Drug Forfeiture Fund	Professional Services SSM PD	$ -	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00	Reimburse City of SSM
275-000-727.000	Sheriff - Search & Rescue	Supplies	$ -	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00	To match grant revenue
280-000-921.000	Animal Control Millage	Refuse	$ -	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00	Switch Refuse to Millage
280-000-979.000	Animal Control Millage	Machinery & Equipment	$ 10,000.00	$ 15,000.00	$ 5,000.00	Added Landscaping job $5,550.00
296-000-808.000	HUD MSC 00-00-0731 Grant	Service Contract	$ -	$ 56,200.00	$ 56,200.00	Return to MEDC per requirment
					$ 230,827.12	

Committee Comments

No additional comments were received.

8/11/2026		Chippewa County				
		Budget Amendments				
Special Funds - Revenue			Original Budget	Amended Budget	Change	Description
221-608-605.002	Health Department	TB Control	$ -	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00	Increase in CY budget based on YTD activities
221-624-675.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 4,500.00	$ 4,500.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-635-605.000	Health Department	SHACC Not Eligible	$ -	$ 385.00	$ 385.00	This budget was not included in the orginal budget
221-823.543.601	Health Department	Septage Waste Management	$ 3,100.00	$ 3,365.00	$ 265.00	Increase in CY budget based on YTD activities
221-825.605.000	Health Department	Type II (Noncommunity Water)	$ -	$ 6,000.00	$ 6,000.00	C/S & contracted services were missed in orginal budget
221-896-584.000	Health Department	The Book Ladder	$ -	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00	This budget was not included in the orginal budget
					$ 17,160.00	
Special Funds - Expenditures						
221-608-705.000	Health Department	TB Control	$ -	$ 450.00	$ 450.00	Increase in CY budget based on YTD activities
221-608-715.000	Health Department	TB Control	$ -	$ 350.00	$ 350.00	Increase in CY budget based on YTD activities
221-608-965.000	Health Department	TB Control	$ -	$ 200.00	$ 200.00	Increase in CY budget based on YTD activities
221-618-727.000	Health Department	LMCH	$ (900.00)	$ 3,100.00	$ 4,000.00	This is an increase in the 618 departments budget, as the orginal budget showed a $k revenues
221-624-705.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 450.00	$ 450.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-715.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 445.00	$ 445.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-727.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,500.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-786.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 500.00	$ 500.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-850.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 55.00	$ 55.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-860.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 150.00	$ 150.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-920.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 300.00	$ 300.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-955.002	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 650.00	$ 650.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-624-965.000	Health Department	EPSDT Clinic	$ -	$ 450.00	$ 450.00	This Dept was missed in the orginal budget
221-635-705.000	Health Department	SHACC Not Eligible	$ -	$ 150.00	$ 150.00	This budget was not included in the orginal budget
221-635-715.000	Health Department	SHACC Not Eligible	$ -	$ 110.00	$ 110.00	This budget was not included in the orginal budget
221-635-965.000	Health Department	SHACC Not Eligible	$ -	$ 125.00	$ 125.00	This budget was not included in the orginal budget
221-823-727.000	Health Department	Septage Waste Management	$ 100.00	$ 350.00	$ 250.00	Increase in CY budget based on YTD activities
221-823-850.000	Health Department	Septage Waste Management	$ -	$ 15.00	$ 15.00	Increase in CY budget based on YTD activities
221-825-801.000	Health Department	Type II (Noncommunity Water)	$ -	$ 6,000.00	$ 6,000.00	C/S & contracted services were missed in orginal budget
221-840-955.002	Health Department	Pink Ribbon Fund	$ 800.00	$ 7,800.00	$ 7,000.00	Not orginally budgeted at this amount but baised on requests in 2026, we are requesting an increase in expenditures related to this fund
221-896-727.000	Health Department	The Book Ladder	$ -	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00	This budget was not included in the orginal budget
					$ 28,160.00	

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, for Finance, Claims, and Accounts Committee Meeting minutes of September 15, 2026 be acknowledged and approved. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER REPORT ON MEETINGS AS BOARD REPRESENTATIVES AND GENERAL COMMENTS

Commissioner Knepper mentioned the opioid steering committee is working on preparing request for proposals to be released in 2027, and the committee is working hard to ensure the grantees are fulfilling their reqirement

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Lieurance, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to adjourn, accordingly. On a voice vote, the motion carried. The Board adjourned at 6:26 P.M.

Steven Woodgate, Clerk

James Martin, Chairman