

**CHIPPEWA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Session
May 7, 2026

The Chippewa County Board of Commissioners met at a regular session on Thursday, May 7, 2026, in the 91st District Courtroom.

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 4:31 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 PRESENT: Administrator Kelly Church, Clerk Steven Woodgate, and 1 member of the public. 2 members of the public logged in via zoom.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Traynor, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve the following minutes as presented:

- Regular Board Meeting – April 16, 2026

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to acknowledge the correspondence received in Clerk's office and forward as appropriate. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Hitchens from Mackinac County asked the Board of Commissioners for moral support on the project for expanding natural gas in the small townships in Mackinac County.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Kelly Church provided for informational purposes only – *no action items*.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2026-16

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Shackleton and supported by Commissioner Lieurance.

**MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT TO MANAGE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE NATIONAL
FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM – SUGAR ISLAND TOWNSHIP**

See Exhibit A

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

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

RESOLUTION 2026-16 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-17

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Lieurance and supported by Commissioner Traynor.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION #26-17

**RESOLUTION APPROVING BALLOT LANGUAGE
FOR SEPARATE TAX LIMITATIONS FOR THE COUNTY, TOWNSHIPS, AND
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners is authorized by the Property Tax Limitation Act, 1933 PA 62 in MCL 211.205k to resolve to alter or extend separate tax limitations for the County, the Townships, and the Intermediate School District; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2022, the voters of Chippewa County voted to approve separate tax limitations for the County, the Townships, and the Intermediate School District within the County for a period of four (4) years, 2023 through 2026 for an aggregate millage amount not to exceed 8.0 mills. The aggregate millage will expire at the end of the year ; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk called for the convening of a Chippewa County Tax Allocation Board to prepare separate limitations for the County, the Townships and for the Intermediate School District; and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Tax Allocation Board was duly created, organized, and convened. They met on April 20, 2026 and considered the input from the County, Townships and the Intermediate School District affirming their financial needs, have provided a recommendation to the County Board of Commissioners with ballot language for a separate tax limitation proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That in accordance with MCL 211.205(k) the County Tax Allocation Board has prepared separate limitations for the County, the Townships,

and the Intermediate School District, and the question of adoption of these separate limitations shall be submitted to a vote of the registered and qualified electors of the County at the General Election on November 3, 2026:

A. That the question be submitted to the voters in the following form:

Shall a renewal of separate tax limitations be established for a period of 4 years (2027, 2028, 2029, and 2030 inclusive) for the County of Chippewa and the Townships and Intermediate School District within the County, the aggregate of which shall not exceed 8 mills as follows:

	Mills
County of Chippewa	6.15
Townships	1.65
Intermediate School District	.20
TOTAL	8.00

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Commissioners Knepper, Lieurance, Shackleton, Traynor, and Chairman Martin

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION 2026-17 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-18

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Shackleton and supported by Commissioner Lieurance.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO CONTRACTORS AND EMPLOYEES FOR COURTHOUSE RESTORATION FOLLOWING WATER DAMAGE EVENT OF DECEMBER 14, 2025 RESOLUTION 2026-18

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2025, the Chippewa County Courthouse sustained significant water damage requiring immediate response, coordination, and restoration efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Courthouse is an historic structure approaching 150 years of services to our community, presenting unique challenges in preservation, repair, and reconstruction; and

WHEREAS, the contractors, tradespeople, and professional restoration professionals engaged in this effort demonstrated exceptional skill, professionalism, and respect for the historic integrity of the building; and

WHEREAS, working with an aging and historically significant structure requires heightened care, specialized knowledge, and adaptability, all of which were evident throughout the restoration process; and

WHEREAS, due to structural damage, the stairwells within the Court were closed for almost four months, creating inconveniences and requiring adjustments by the courts, employees, and members of the public; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to recognize and sincerely thank its employees and the public for their patience, flexibility, and understanding during this temporary disruption; and

Resolution 2026-18 – RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO CONTRACTORS AND STAFF FOR COURTHOUSE RESTORATION FOLLOWING WATER DAMAGE EVENT OF DECEMBER 14, 2025 - Adopted this 7th day of May 2026

WHEREAS, the successful completion of this work reflects a strong commitment to public service, craftsmanship, and collaborations with County staff.

NOW THEREFORE, that the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its sincere appreciation and gratitude to all contractors, subcontractors, and restoration teams involved in the repair and restoration of the Courthouse following the December 14, 2025, water damage event; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board extends its appreciation to County employees and members of the public for their patience and cooperation while the stairs were closed due to structural concerns; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board recognizes the outstanding quality of the completed work and commends all those involved for their dedication to preserving one of the County's most historic and valued buildings and that a copy of this Resolution be shared with the contractors and entered into the official records of the County as a token of our appreciation.

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Commissioners Knepper, Lieurance, Shackleton, Traynor, and Chairman Martin

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION 2026-18 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-19

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Traynor and supported by Commissioner Knepper.

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 5th AS MISSING AND MURDERED
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AWARENESS DAY IN CHIPPEWA COUNTY
CHIPPEWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 2026-19

WHEREAS, American Indian and Alaska Native peoples, and more specifically American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls, have long endured domestic violence, homicide, sexual assault, and abuse at disproportionately higher rates than other groups; and,

WHEREAS, on this Murdered and Missing Indigenous Persons Awareness Day, we reaffirm our commitment to honor the lives of murdered and missing American Indian and Alaska Native peoples, particularly women and girls, and continue to shine a light on egregious and unconscionable treatment toward and against American Indian and Alaska Native peoples; and,

WHEREAS, this day of observance brings awareness to the staggering number of abducted and murdered Indigenous women and girls where more than four out of five American Indian and Alaska Native women have experienced violence in their lifetime, including more than half who have experienced sexual violence; and,

WHEREAS, in some areas of the country, Indigenous women are murdered at a rate of ten times the national average and acts of violence are committed against 85% of Indigenous two spirit people; and,

WHEREAS, in response to this epidemic of violence, the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners is committed to working with Tribal governments to address the historic traumas experienced by American Indian and Alaska Native peoples, and to develop policies and procedures necessary to allocate resources to reduce, investigate, and resolve incidents of violence perpetrated against American Indian and Alaska Native peoples, and more specifically American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls; and, WHEREAS, the state of Michigan is home to twelve Tribal Nations and more than 100,000 American Indian / Alaskan Natives; and,

WHEREAS, identifying the root causes of the danger to Indigenous peoples is key to identifying solutions. We must address the systemic causes, collect and report data, reduce and eliminate violence, and help Indigenous women and girls heal from violence;

WHEREAS the Attorney General of the State of Michigan has adopted a TIP line to gather information and connect with MMIP victims. This tip line is in addition to the federal and tribal resources that have been put in place, including the tribal community response plans that many of the Michigan 12 tribes have adopted. Individuals with information about missing or murdered Indigenous people in Michigan can now call 517-284-0008 in addition to the other available resources; and,

WHEREAS, the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners encourage residents to visit the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Missing and Murdered Indigenous People <https://www.bia.gov/service/mmu>; and,

WHEREAS, on this day, we reaffirm our commitment to bringing an end to the "Silent Crisis" happening amongst American Indian and Alaska Native communities across the country and remaining silent no more.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, The Chippewa County Board of Commissioners proclaim May 5 as Missing and Murdered Indigenous Peoples Awareness Day in Chippewa County.

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

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

RESOLUTION 2026-19 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-20

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Lieurance and supported by Commissioner Knepper.

**MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT TO MANAGE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE NATIONAL
FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM – WHITEFISH TOWSHIP**

See Exhibit B

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

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

RESOLUTION 2026-20 DECLARED ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-21

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Knepper and supported by

Commissioner Shackleton.

**MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT TO MANAGE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE NATIONAL
FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM – DETOUR TOWNSHIP**

See Exhibit C

A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

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

RESOLUTION 2026-21 DECLARED ADOPTED

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

**FINANCE, CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
May 5, 2026**

AGENDA ITEMS

**Health Department – Marijuana Safety Campaign 2026 Billboard Placement and
Medication Lockboxes (Marijuana Grant)**

\$6,000.00 (Lamar Advertising)

**\$7,138.00 (Medicine Safe) (80 high security medication travel bags & 180 Carrying
Cases)**

The Committee reviewed quotes and the signage from Lamar Advertising for \$6,000.00 for the 2026 marijuana safety billboard campaign and the quote from Medicine Safe in the amount of \$7,138.00 to purchase 180 medication carrying cases and 80 high security medication travel bags both purchases will be from the Marijuana Grant funds. The lockboxes and bags are distributed at community events, through the Harm Reduction Van or directly at the Health Department upon request.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize the media advertisement for the 2026 Marijuana Safety Campaign with billboards by Lamar Advertising for \$6,000.00, and \$7,138.00 to Medicine Safe to purchase medication carrying cases and high security medication travel bags, to promote marijuana safety in our community, funding through Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Marijuana Regulatory Agency under the Medical Marijuana Operation and Oversight Grant. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Public Defender - MIDC Conflict Legal Services Agreement W. Clayton Graham 4/26/2026

through 9/30/2026

The Committee was asked to approve a new legal services conflict attorney agreement between Chippewa County and W. Clayton Graham effective April 26, 2026, through September 30, 2026, at the MIDC rates of \$130/hour for arraignments/misdemeanors, \$142.50/hour for felonies, \$155/hour for capital cases plus mileage at \$0.725/mile, or current federal mileage rate.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the new legal services contract with W. Clayton Graham starting April 26, 2026, through September 30, 2026, for MIDC Conflict Attorneys, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Prosecuting Attorney – LexisNexis Renewal Contract \$458/month

The Committee reviewed the Prosecuting Attorney's request for a 1-year renewal of their LexisNexis service contract which provides legal research and case law, litigation analytics and supports the entire lifecycle of a criminal case from investigation through trial as well as post-conviction work. The 1-year renewal is \$458 per month for the office.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve and authorize the LexisNexis 1-year renewal contract for the Prosecutor's Office at the cost of \$458 per month, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Information Systems – Bid Summary – Multi-factor Authentication

The Committee was updated on the County-wide Multi-factor Authentication request for proposals that were received, three in total, of which none met bid requirements. Information Systems is asking that the RFP be republished with a due date of June 2, 2026, to meet the deadline for the June Finance Claims and Accounts meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize re-posting the Request for Proposals for the County-Wide Multi-factor Authentication with a due date of June 2, 2026, as requested. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Information Systems – Criminal Justice Information Services Management Policies

Policy 801 – Awareness and Training CJIS (new)

Policy 802 – Auditing and Accountability (new)

The Committee reviewed the first two of many new policy requests from the County's Information Systems Department regarding Criminal Justice Information Services. Chippewa County will need to meet CJIS requirements because we handle highly sensitive criminal justice data, and access to that data is legally conditional on following strict security rules so that the Sheriff's Office, Prosecutor's Office, Courts and Dispatch can maintain that access and the County passes all lien audits. Policies 801 – Awareness and Training CJIS and Policy 802 – Auditing and Accountability were presented for approval.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve the Criminal Justice Information Services Management Policies 801 – Awareness and Training CJIS and 802 – Auditing and Accountability, as presented and to meet CJIS requirements. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – FOIA Appeal of Denial of Public Records – Munro – Assessment Roll

The Committee was updated and notified of a written appeal of a Freedom of Information Act denial dated April 20, 2026, which originated from a FOIA request dated March 25, 2026 – seeking a copy of the County’s assessment roll. The appeal is for the cost of the information, which is established at \$6,500.00, this fee was established back in 2020. Administration has sought legal services to help respond appropriately to this appeal, as this is a new circumstance that we have not dealt with in the past. The Committee was notified that Mr. Alexander Munro, the complainant, would like to be part of the appeal process; a process we do not currently have a procedure for and will be establishing and updating the County’s FOIA policy to clarify. The Committee was asked to refer the appeal to the Personnel/Equalization and Apportionment/Transportation/Health and Social Services Committee, as the request started with the Equalization Department.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to refer the FOIA Appeal of Denial dated April 20, 2026, to the Personnel/Equalization and Apportionment/Transportation/Health and Social Services Committee, so that the complainant can participate with appeal, as requested. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – Johnson Controls – Chippewa County Jail deficiencies \$6,317.57

The Committee reviewed a proposal and service agreement from Johnson Controls regarding the recent annual fire sprinkler inspection at the Chippewa County Jail showing items of deficiencies due to not meeting NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) code requirements. Included in the price were required 5-year inspections, sprinkler head replacement, replace 1” site glass orifice and replace fire hoses near the report room and the cabinet on the 2nd floor.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Lieurance, to approve and authorize the proposal and service agreement CPQ-1230589 with Johnson Controls total cost \$6,317.57 for required inspections and correct deficiencies per NFPA code requirements in the Chippewa County Jail, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – Rooftop HVAC Unit replacement for District Court \$6,248.00 less rebate of \$1,000.00 through Cloverland Electric

The Committee received and reviewed an updated proposal from Albert Heating and Cooling, to replace a mini split for the District Court (Judge’s Office); as the replacement did not happen in

FY2025 due to scheduling on the County's part. Option 2 provides additional heating backup capabilities and will run down to -22 degrees at the cost of \$6,248.00 of which there is a \$1,000.00 rebate through Cloverland Electric; the unit includes a 1-year labor warranty on work performed and a 12-year manufacturer warranty.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to approve and authorize the Mitsubishi MUZ-FX 9,000 BTU HVAC Unit replacement for District Court, at the cost of \$6,248.00 through Albert Heating and Cooling with the \$1,000.00 rebate through Cloverland Electric. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Administration – Courthouse repairs Clock Tower and Northwest corner \$43,698.08

The Committee reviewed an updated estimate from National Painting Contractors/JAMA Development to repair all rotted wood on the clock tower and just under the clock tower including the northwest corner of the 2nd floor where visibility shows rotted wood. JAMA will provide the services at the estimated price of \$43,698.08 including scraping, prepping, painting, replacing all rotted wood and trade related work, as needed to achieve a quality finish. This area was originally patched as a short-term fix; the committee will be notified immediately if any additional repairs are found during the project.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to approve and authorize the National Painting Contractors/JAMA Development estimate of \$43,698.08 to repair the Courthouse Clock Tower and Northwest corner of the 2nd Floor, including replacement of the rotted wood and painting, as fully described in Estimate 1497, dated March 11, 2026. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Finance - Claims and Accounts – April County

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, to recommend the approval of April bills and payroll: general claims \$504,301.54, other fund claims \$1,047,057.25, payroll \$893,474.12 total claims \$2,444,832.91, as presented and to acknowledge the various monthly financial reports. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Traynor, for the minutes for the Finance, Claims, and Accounts Committee Meeting of May 5, 2026 be acknowledged and approved. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER REPORT ON MEETINGS AS BOARD REPRESENTATIVES AND GENERAL COMMENTS

Commissioner Shackleton said he would be in support in the expansion of natural gas. A brief discussion between the commissioners followed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Lieurance, supported by Commissioner Knepper, to adjourn, accordingly. On a voice vote, the motion carried. The Board adjourned at 5:07 P.M.


Steven Woodgate, Clerk


James Martin, Chairman

EXHIBIT A

**MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT TO MANAGE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT
FOR THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM**

Community A (NFIP community): Sugar Island Township Community/Entity B (enforcing agency): Chippewa County Building Department

WHEREAS, Community A (*check the appropriate following box statement*)
☒ *currently participate* ☐ *desires to participate* in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) by complying with the program's applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for the purposes of significantly reducing flood hazards to persons, reducing property damage, reducing public expenditures, and providing for the availability of flood insurance and federal funds or loans within its community; and

WHEREAS, the NFIP requires that floodplain management regulations must be present and enforced in participating communities, and utilize the following definitions which also apply for the purposes of this resolution:

1. *Flood or Flooding* means:
 - a. A general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from: 1) the overflow of inland or tidal waters, 2) the unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source, 3) mudflows, and
 - b. The collapse or subsidence of land along the shore of a lake or other body of water as a result of erosion or undermining caused by waves or currents of water exceeding anticipated cyclical levels or suddenly caused by an unusually high water level in a natural body of water, accompanied by a severe storm, or by an unanticipated force of nature, such as flash flood or an abnormal tidal surge, or by some similarly unusual and unforeseeable event which results in flooding, as defined in paragraph (a)(1) of this definition.
2. *Flood Hazard Boundary Map (FHBM)* means an official map of a community, as may have been issued by the FEMA, where the boundaries of the areas of flood, mudslide (i.e., mudflow) related erosion areas having special hazards have been designated as Zone A, M, and/or E.
3. *Floodplain* means any land area susceptible to being inundated by water from any source (see definition of flooding).
4. *Floodplain management* means the operation of an overall program of corrective and preventive measures for reducing flood damage, including but not limited to emergency preparedness plans, flood control works, and floodplain management regulations.
5. *Floodplain management regulations* means zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations, building codes, health regulations, special purpose ordinances (such as a floodplain ordinance, grading ordinance, and erosion control ordinance) and other

applications of police power that provide standards for the purpose of flood damage prevention and reduction.

6. **Structure** means a walled and roofed building that is principally above ground, gas or liquid storage facility, as well as a mobile home or manufactured unit.

WHEREAS, the Stille-Derossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, (construction code act), along with its authorization of the state construction code composed of the Michigan Residential Code and the Michigan Building Code [and its Appendices (specifically Appendix G)] contains floodplain development and management regulations that comply with the FEMA NFIP minimum floodplain management criteria for flood prone areas as detailed in Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (44 CFR), Section 60.3, and

WHEREAS, by the action dates of this document or an existing historical agreement dated April 14, 2026, Community/Entity B affirms/agrees on behalf of Community A to function as the designated enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of administering, applying, and enforcing the construction code act and the state construction code, specifically the Michigan Residential Code and the Michigan Building Code, and the Michigan Rehabilitation Code for Existing Buildings to all development within Community A's political boundaries, and

WHEREAS, Community A and Community/Entity B enforce floodplain regulations of the construction code act, and Community A wishes to ensure that the administration of that code complies with requirements of the NFIP, and

NOW THEREFORE, to *maintain* eligibility and continued participation in the NFIP,

1. Community A and Community/Entity B agree that Community/Entity B's officially designated enforcing agency for the construction code act, Chippewa County Building Official, be directed to administer, apply, and enforce on Community A's behalf the floodplain management regulations as contained in the state construction code (including Appendix G) and to be consistent with those regulations, by:
 - a. Obtaining, reviewing, and reasonably utilizing flood elevation data available from federal, state, or other sources pending receipt of data from the FEMA to identify the flood hazard area, and areas with potential flooding, and
 - b. Ensuring that all permits necessary for development in floodplain areas have been issued, including a floodplain permit, approval, or letter of no authority from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy under the floodplain regulatory provisions of Part 31, Water Resources Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and
 - c. Reviewing all permit applications to determine whether the proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. Where it is determined that a proposed building will be located in a flood hazard area or special flood hazard area, Community/Entity B shall implement the following applicable codes according to their terms:

- i) All appropriate portions and specifically the floodplain management regulation portions and referenced codes and standards of the current Michigan Residential Code.
 - ii) All appropriate portions and specifically the floodplain management regulation portions and referenced codes and standards of the current Michigan Building Code.
 - iii) Appendix G of the current Michigan Building Code.
 - iv) All appropriate portions and specifically the floodplain management regulation portions and referenced codes and standards of the current Michigan Rehabilitation Code for Existing Buildings.
- d. Reviewing all proposed subdivisions to determine whether such proposals are reasonably safe from flooding and to ensure compliance with all applicable floodplain management regulations.
 - e. Assisting in the delineation of flood hazard areas; provide information concerning uses and occupancy of the floodplain or flood-related erosion areas, maintain flood proofing and lowest floor construction records, and cooperate with other officials, agencies, and persons for floodplain management.
 - f. Advising FEMA of any changes in community boundaries, including appropriate maps, and
 - g. Maintaining records of new structures and substantially improved structures concerning any certificates of floodproofing, lowest floor elevation, basements, floodproofing, and elevation to which structures have been floodproofed.
- 2. Community A and Community/Entity B assure the Federal Insurance Administrator (Administrator) that they intend to review, on an ongoing basis, all amended and revised FHBMs and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and related supporting data and revisions thereof and revisions of 44 CFR, Part 60, Criteria for Land Management and Use, and to make such revisions in its floodplain management regulations as may be necessary to assure Community A's compliant participation in the program.
 - 3. Community A further assures the Administrator that it will adopt the current effective FEMA Flood Insurance Study (FIS), FHBMs, and/or the FIRMs by reference within its Floodplain Management Map Adoption Ordinance or similarly binding ordinance documentation.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, both communities declare their understanding that, until this resolution is rescinded or Community A makes other provision to enforce the construction code act:

- 1. Community/Entity B must administer and enforce the construction code act in accordance with the terms and the conditions contained herein, and
- 2. For Community A to continue its participation in the NFIP, the construction code act must be administered and enforced according to the conditions contained herein.

Community A: Sugar Island Township

Date Passed: April 14, 2026

Officer Name: Mark S. Eitrem

Title: Supervisor

Signature: Mark S. Suter

Date: 4/14/2026

Witness Name: Brandi Rich

Title: Clerk

Signature: Brandi Rich

Date: 4/14/26

Community/ Entity B: Chippewa County

Date Passed: 5-7-2026

Officer Name: Steven Woodgate

Title: Clerk

Signature: Steve Woodgate

Date: 5/8/2026

Witness Name: Kelly J. Church

Title: Administrator

Signature: Kelly J. Church

Date: 5/8/2026

**ORDINANCE ADDRESSING FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS
OF THE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE**

Community Name: Sugar Island Township, Chippewa County

Ordinance number 1-2026

An ordinance to designate an enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Sugar Island, located in Chippewa County, and to designate regulated flood hazard areas under the provisions of the State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended.

The Township of Sugar Island ordains:

Section 1. AGENCY DESIGNATED. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, the Chippewa County Building official is hereby designated as the enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of Sugar Island Township, Chippewa County under Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, State of Michigan. Chippewa County assumes responsibility for the administration and enforcement of said Act through out the corporate limits of the community adopting this ordinance.

Section 2. CODE APPENDIX ENFORCED. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, Appendix G of the Michigan Building Code shall be enforced by the enforcing agency within the jurisdiction of the community adopting this ordinance.

Section 3. DESIGNATION OF REGULATED FLOOD PRONE HAZARD AREAS. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Study (FIS) titled "The Flood Insurance Study (FIS) for Chippewa County, All Jurisdictions, effective June 23, 2026 and the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) (FIRMs) contained on index panel 26033CIND3B, effective June 23, 2026 are adopted by reference for the purposes of administration of the Michigan Construction Code, and declared to be a part of Section 1612.3 of the Michigan Building Code,

and to provide the content of the "Flood Hazards" section of Table R301.2(1) of the Michigan Residential Code.

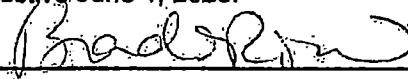
Section 4. MOST RESTRICTIVE STANDARDS. If another ordinance contains standards inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, the most restrictive standards shall apply.

Section 5. PUBLICATION. This ordinance shall be effective after legal publication and in accordance with the provisions of the Act governing same.

Adopted this 14th day of April, 2026.

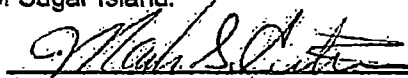
This ordinance duly adopted on April 14, 2026, at a regular meeting of the Sugar Island Township Board and will become effective June 1, 2026.

Signed on April 14, 2026 by



Brandi Rich, Clerk of the Township of Sugar Island.

Attested on April 14, 2026 by



Mark S. Eitrem, Supervisor of the Township of Sugar Island.

EXHIBIT B



PARADISE, MICHIGAN 49768

Home of the Lower Tahquamenon Falls

MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL

AGREEMENT TO MANAGE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT

FOR THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 03122026

Community A: Whitefish Township Community/Entity B: Chippewa County

WHEREAS, Community A (check the appropriate statement) ☒ currently participates ☐ desires to participate in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) by complying with the program's applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for the purposes of significantly reducing flood hazards to persons, reducing property damage, reducing public expenditures, and providing for the availability of flood insurance and federal funds or loans within its community; and

WHEREAS, the NFIP requires that floodplain management regulations must be present and enforced in participating communities, and utilize the following definitions which also apply for the purposes of this resolution:

1. Flood or Flooding means:
 - a. A general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from: 1) the overflow of inland or tidal waters, 2) the unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source, 3) mudflows, and
 - b. The collapse or subsidence of land along the shore of a lake or other body of water as a result of erosion or undermining caused by waves or currents of water exceeding anticipated cyclical levels or suddenly caused by an unusually high water level in a natural body of water, accompanied by a severe storm, or by an unanticipated force of nature, such as flash flood or an abnormal tidal surge, or by some similarly unusual and unforeseeable event which results in flooding, as defined in paragraph (a)(1) of this definition.
2. Flood Hazard Boundary Map (FHBM) means an official map of a community, as may have been issued by the FEMA, where the boundaries of the areas of flood, mudslide (i.e., mudflow) related erosion areas having special hazards have been designated as Zone A, M, and/or E.
3. Floodplain means any land area susceptible to being inundated by water from any source (see definition of flooding).
4. Floodplain management means the operation of an overall program of corrective and preventive measures for reducing flood damage, including but not limited to emergency preparedness plans, flood control works, and floodplain management regulations.

5. Floodplain management regulations means zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations, building codes, health regulations, special purpose ordinances (such as a floodplain ordinance, grading ordinance, and erosion control ordinance) and other applications of police power that provide standards for the purpose of flood damage prevention and reduction.
6. Structure means a walled and roofed building that is principally above ground, gas or liquid storage facility, as well as a mobile home or manufactured unit.

WHEREAS, the Stille-Derossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act", Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, (construction code act), along with its authorization of the state construction code composed of the Michigan Residential Code and the Michigan Building Code [and its Appendices (specifically Appendix G)] contains floodplain development and management regulations that comply with the FEMA NFIP minimum floodplain management criteria for flood prone areas as detailed in Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (44 CFR), Section 60.3, and

WHEREAS, by the action dates of this document or an existing historical agreement dated October 2, 2014, Community/Entity B affirms/agrees on behalf of Community A to function as the designated enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of administering, applying, and enforcing the construction code act and the state construction code, specifically the Michigan Residential Code and the Michigan Building Code, to all development within Community A's political boundaries, and

WHEREAS, Community A and Community/Entity B enforce floodplain regulations of the construction code act, and Community A wishes to ensure that the administration of that code complies with requirements of the NFIP, and

NOW THEREFORE, to maintain eligibility and continued participation in the NFIP,

1. Community A and Community/Entity B agree that Community/Entity B's officially designated enforcing agency for the construction code act, Building Inspector (insert position title), be directed to administer, apply, and enforce on Community A's behalf the floodplain management regulations as contained in the state construction code (including Appendix G) and to be consistent with those regulations, by:
 - a. Obtaining, reviewing, and reasonably utilizing flood elevation data available from federal, state, or other sources pending receipt of data from the FEMA to identify the flood hazard area, and areas with potential flooding, and
 - b. Ensuring that all permits necessary for development in floodplain areas have been issued, including a floodplain permit, approval, or letter of no authority from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality under the floodplain regulatory provisions of Part 31, "Water Resources Protection," of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and
 - c. Reviewing all permit applications to determine whether the proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. Where it is determined that a proposed building will be located in a flood hazard area or special flood hazard area, Community/Entity B shall implement the following applicable codes according to their terms:
 - i) Appropriate portions and referenced codes and standards of the current Michigan Residential Code.
 - ii) Appropriate portions and referenced codes and standards of the current Michigan Building Code.
 - iii) Appendix G of the current Michigan Building Code.
 - d. Reviewing all proposed subdivisions to determine whether such proposals are reasonably safe from flooding and to ensure compliance with all applicable floodplain management regulations.
 - e. Assisting in the delineation of flood hazard areas; provide information concerning uses and occupancy of the floodplain or flood-related erosion areas, maintain flood proofing

and lowest floor construction records, and cooperate with other officials, agencies, and persons for floodplain management.

- f. Advising FEMA of any changes in community boundaries, including appropriate maps, and
 - g. Maintaining records of new structures and substantially improved structures concerning any certificates of floodproofing, lowest floor elevation, basements, floodproofing, and elevation to which structures have been floodproofed.
2. Community A and Community/Entity B assure the Federal Insurance Administrator (Administrator) that they intend to review, on an ongoing basis, all amended and revised FHBMs and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) and related supporting data and revisions thereof and revisions of 44 CFR, Part 60, Criteria for Land Management and Use, and to make such revisions in its floodplain management regulations as may be necessary to assure Community A's compliant participation in the program.
 3. Community A further assures the Administrator that it will adopt the current effective FEMA Flood Insurance Study (FIS), FHBMs, and/or the FIRMs by reference within its Floodplain Management Map Adoption Ordinance or similarly binding ordinance documentation.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, both communities declare their understanding that, until this resolution is rescinded or Community A makes other provision to enforce the construction code act:

1. Community/Entity B must administer and enforce the construction code act in accordance with the terms and the conditions contained herein, and
2. For Community A to continue its participation in the NFIP, the construction code act must be administered and enforced according to the conditions contained herein.

Community A: Whitefish Township

Date Passed: March 12, 2026

Officer Name: Fred Roach

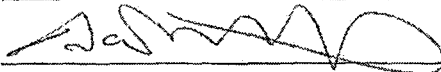
Title: Township Clerk

Signature: 

Date: 3-12-26

Witness Name: Edson Forrester

Title: Township Supervisor

Signature: 

Date: 3-12-26

Community/Entity B: Chippewa County

Date Passed: _____

Officer Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Witness Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT C

**MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT TO MANAGE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT
FOR THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM**

Community A (NFIP community): De Tour Township Community/Entity B (enforcing agency): Chippewa County Building Department

WHEREAS, Community A (check the appropriate following box statement)
☒ *currently participate* ☐ *desires to participate* in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) by complying with the program's applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for the purposes of significantly reducing flood hazards to persons, reducing property damage, reducing public expenditures, and providing for the availability of flood insurance and federal funds or loans within its community; and

WHEREAS, the NFIP requires that floodplain management regulations must be present and enforced in participating communities, and utilize the following definitions which also apply for the purposes of this resolution:

1. *Flood or Flooding* means:
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2. *Flood Hazard Boundary Map (FHBM)* means an official map of a community, as may have been issued by the FEMA, where the boundaries of the areas of flood, mudslide (i.e., mudflow) related erosion areas having special hazards have been designated as Zone A, M, and/or E.
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applications of police power that provide standards for the purpose of flood damage prevention and reduction.

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WHEREAS, the Stille-Derossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, (construction code act), along with its authorization of the state construction code composed of the Michigan Residential Code and the Michigan Building Code [and its Appendices (specifically Appendix G)] contains floodplain development and management regulations that comply with the FEMA NFIP minimum floodplain management criteria for flood prone areas as detailed in Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (44 CFR), Section 60.3, and

WHEREAS, by the action dates of this document or an existing historical agreement dated February 10, 2015, Community/Entity B affirms/agrees on behalf of Community A to function as the designated enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of administering, applying, and enforcing the construction code act and the state construction code, specifically the Michigan Residential Code and the Michigan Building Code, and the Michigan Rehabilitation Code for Existing Buildings to all development within Community A's political boundaries, and

WHEREAS, Community A and Community/Entity B enforce floodplain regulations of the construction code act, and Community A wishes to ensure that the administration of that code complies with requirements of the NFIP, and

NOW THEREFORE, to *maintain* eligibility and continued participation in the NFIP,

1. Community A and Community/Entity B agree that Community/Entity B's officially designated enforcing agency for the construction code act, Chippewa County Building Department,, be directed to administer, apply, and enforce on Community A's behalf the floodplain management regulations as contained in the state construction code (including Appendix G) and to be consistent with those regulations, by:
 - a. Obtaining, reviewing, and reasonably utilizing flood elevation data available from federal, state, or other sources pending receipt of data from the FEMA to identify the flood hazard area, and areas with potential flooding, and
 - b. Ensuring that all permits necessary for development in floodplain areas have been issued, including a floodplain permit, approval, or letter of no authority from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy under the floodplain regulatory provisions of Part 31, Water Resources Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and
 - c. Reviewing all permit applications to determine whether the proposed building sites will be reasonably safe from flooding. Where it is determined that a proposed building will be located in a flood hazard area or special flood hazard area, Community/Entity B shall implement the following applicable codes according to their terms:

- i) All appropriate portions and specifically the floodplain management regulation portions and referenced codes and standards of the current Michigan Residential Code.
 - ii) All appropriate portions and specifically the floodplain management regulation portions and referenced codes and standards of the current Michigan Building Code.
 - iii) Appendix G of the current Michigan Building Code.
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Community A: De Tour Township

Date Passed: April 14, 2026

Officer Name: Thomas Lehman

Title: Supervisor

Signature: Thomas E. Lehman

Date: 14 April 2026

Witness Name: Marilyn McGuire

Title: De Tour Township Clerk

Signature: Marilyn McGuire

Date: 14 April 2026

Community/ Entity B:

Date Passed: 5-7-2026

Officer Name: Steven Woodgate

Title: Clerk

Signature: SA Woodgate

Date: 5/8/2026

Witness Name: Kelly J. Church

Title: Administrator

Signature: Kelly J. Church

Date: 5/8/2026

**ORDINANCE ADDRESSING FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS
OF THE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE**

Community Name: De Tour Township, County: Chippewa

Ordinance number 202604-14

An Ordinance Ammendment to Designate an enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of De Tour located in Chippewa County, and to designate regulated flood hazard areas under the provisions of the State Construction Code Act, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended.

The Township of De Tour ordains:

Section 1. AGENCY DESIGNATED. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, the Chippewa County Building Department of the County, of Chippewa is hereby designated as the enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of De Tour under Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, State of Michigan. The County of Chippewa assumes responsibility for the administration and enforcement of said Act through out the corporate limits of the community adopting this ordinance.

Section 2. CODE APPENDIX ENFORCED. Pursuant to the provisions of the state construction code, in accordance with Section 8b(6) of Act 230, of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, Appendix G of the Michigan Building Code shall be enforced by the enforcing agency within the jurisdiction of the community adopting this ordinance.

Section 3. DESIGNATION OF REGULATED FLOOD PRONE HAZARD AREAS. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Study (FIS) Entitled "The Flood Insurance Study for Chippewa County" and dated June 23, 2026 and the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) (FIRMS) panel number(s) of 26033CIND3B dated June 23, 2026 are adopted by reference for the purposes of administration of the

Michigan Construction Code, and declared to be a part of Section 1612.3 of the Michigan Building Code, and to provide the content of the "Flood Hazards" section of Table R301.2(1) of the Michigan Residential Code.

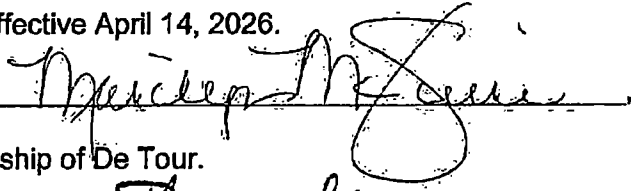
Section 4. REPEALS. All ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. PUBLICATION. This ordinance shall be effective after legal publication and in accordance with the provisions of the Act governing same.

Adopted this 14th day of April, 2026.

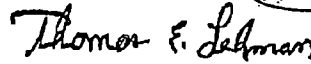
This ordinance duly adopted on April 14, 2026 at a regular meeting of the De Tour Township Board and will become effective April 14, 2026.

Signed on April 14, 2026 by

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Marilyn McGuire", written over a horizontal line.

Marilyn McGuire, Clerk of the Township of De Tour.

Attested on April 14, 2026 by

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Thomas F. Lehman", written over a horizontal line.

Thomas Lehman, , Supervisor, of the Township of De Tour.