



SEPTEMBER 2022
VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION MONTHLY ACTIVITY

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HIGHLIGHTS

- **Broadband** – the DCS Technology Broadband Mapping Report is complete and can be found on the County website: <https://www.vanburencountymi.gov/749/Broadband-Expansion-Efforts>. The next steps in broadband expansion efforts are being reviewed and will start with seeking out additional funding through state and federal grants. Decisions are being made about project management.
- **Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 Budget** – the Board approved the final budget for all funds, Capital Improvement Plan, and Budget Policies for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.
- **Department of Natural Resources** - a letter of support has been sent on behalf of the Department of Natural Resources to acquire land in Waverly Township for a state game area.
- **Domestic Violence Coalition** – the annual agreement with the DVC has been signed for the 22-23 fiscal year.
- **Sheriff's Office Vehicles** – the Sheriff's Office has received approval for the annual vehicle replacement. They will purchase 4 new patrol vehicles and 1 animal control vehicle.
- **Claims** – in the amount of \$2,824,357.13 were approved for the month of August 2022.
- **County Administrator** – The Board is scheduling interviews for the County Administrator position for October 17, 2022.
- **Veterans Services Office Grand Opening** – On September 29, 2022, the Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held for the new Veterans Services building located at 226 E. Michigan Ave, Paw Paw, MI 49079.

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ADDITIONAL DETAILS

1. The following committee appointments have been made:
 - Suzanne Glomski to the Land Bank Authority
2. The Board approved the 2022 Plat Book Agreement.
3. The Board approved a line item created within the public safety budget and a standing agreement to pay for individuals the Sheriff sponsors through an MCOLES accredited police academy for Police Academy Cadets.
4. The salary exception for the Deputy Treasurer position was approved.
5. The Sheriff's Office has been approved for their annual purchase of radio equipment to retire old or broken radios.
6. The Board approved some Capital Improvement Projects in the court that includes carpet replacement and card reader installation in the South Haven Courthouse, security camera upgrades in the Paw Paw Courthouse, and a replacement deputy vehicle for FOC.
7. The Tax Rate Request for the Public Safety Millage that passed at the 8/2/2022 election was signed by the Board.
8. The Board approved contracting a Specialty Courts Grant Consultant until the Specialty Court Administrator position is filled and trained.
9. The MI-SAIL GIS Data agreement with Land Management has been approved.
10. At the 9/13/2022 Committee of the Whole meeting, the Board heard a presentation on the FGU Report of Real Property Foreclosure Sales from the Treasurer's Office.
11. At the 9/27/2022 Committee of the Whole meeting, the County Treasurer presented an update on the current County Investment Portfolio.
12. The Board approved and signed the Court's 2nd Amendment to a Contract for the COVID Supplemental Grant; the 1st Amendment to the DHS 2091 contract; as well as the 2023 Access & Visitation Service Contract.
13. The Board approved the office movement of the Land Management office from Suite 302 to Suite 305 of the Administration Building and renovations as needed.

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