

WEXFORD COUNTY
FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 3, 2025

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Brian Potter at 4:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' Room, Third Floor, Historic Courthouse, 437 E. Division St. Cadillac, Michigan.

Members Present: Brian Potter, Sandy Bengelink, Mark Nyman, Gary Taylor
Members Absent: None.
Also Present: Jami Bigger, Deputy Administrator & HR Director; Alaina Nyman, Clerk; Joe Porterfield, County Administrator & Equalization Director; Megan Swanberg, Executive Assistant

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bengelink to approve the agenda, as presented. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion 4-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Nyman to approve the September 24, 2025, regular meeting minutes. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

G.I. Approval of Claims

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Bengelink to approve paying the claims in the amount of \$272,532.22 A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

County Administrator Joe Porterfield informed the committee departments are still working on getting their budgets completed and turned in and he is waiting to see what the State approved in their budget.

Mr. Porterfield asked the commissioners, if they would like him to continue to budget for worse-case scenario as has been done in the past. There are often many roster spots that are budgeted for, but not always filled, so the budget shows a deficit, but money is put back into fund balance at the end of each year. Mr. Porterfield told the committee that without the use of covid relief funds, the budget deficit will likely be larger this year than in past years. He noted the County currently has a very healthy fund balance. A discussion took place, and the committee directed Mr. Porterfield to continue to budget as he has in the past and try to get the deficit as low as possible.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None.

CHAIR COMMENTS

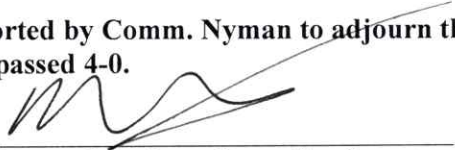
None.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Nyman to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 a.m. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed 4-0.



Brian Potter, Chair



Megan Swanberg, Recording Secretary