

Meeting Minutes for the May 20, 2026, – Board Meeting

3536 S. US Highway 27, St. Johns, MI 48879 @ 9:00am



Attendees: Michael Frederick; Karla Gurski; Kevin Holt; Douglas Steffen; Gail Watkins; Bob Showers; and guests present.

Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Move: Commissioner Watkins, Second: Commissioner Holt, Status: Passed

Approval Of April 23, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the April 23, 2026, meeting minutes, as presented.

Move: Commissioner Holt, Second: Commissioner Watkins, Status: Passed

Communications

Motion to accept the communications and place them on file.

Move: Commissioner Holt, Second: Commissioner Watkins, Status: Passed

2025 OPEB Actuarial Review - Chris Veenstra, with Watkins Ross

Chris Veenstra, with Watkins Ross, presented an overview of the 2025 OPEB AVV.

Information from Commissioner Bob Showers

Commissioner Showers reported:

- The County received a LEAP grant in the amount of \$800,000 to complete site ground repairs near Glanbia in support of future industrial development.
- Progress is also being made toward extending water service to the proposed fueling station located just west of US-27 on the north side of M-21 in Bingham Township.
- There is also a proposed 1,500+ acre solar project by RWE along M-21 that bypassed the County approval process under current law.
- There is also a proposed 450-unit apartment development planned for Scott Road, north of Wildcat Road.
- Tomorrow marks the groundbreaking ceremony for the expansion of Niowave at the airport industrial area. Clinton County is currently the only county in the region to attract a company to the area and construct an entirely new facility. This project will bring a new corporation to the community and is expected to add approximately 100 well-paying jobs to the area.
- Most of Clinton County now have access to fiberoptic internet service.

Public Comments

There was no public.

Director of Finance Report

Ms. Gurski reported:

- Last week I attended the CRA Finance & HR Conference in Grand Rapids. It was a great event with a lot of good information. Updates on NRF funding, website ADA compliance, PA152, GASB, new financial software, and State Trunkline contracts.
- MTF for May, which was March fuel, was \$1,199,105.
- Submitted PA202 report and the Qualifying Statement to Treasury.
- The 2025 ACT51 Financial Report was approved earlier this month.
- Last fall, we attempted to launch the Paint a Plow Program with local schools but did not receive interest from any schools in participating. Katie reintroduced the program last week

with the hope that providing schools advance notice before the end of the current school year will give them time to plan for participation at the start of the next school year and organize any materials or resources needed to take part in the program.

Motion to receive the financials and place on file.

Move: Commissioner Watkins, Second: Commissioner Holt Status: Passed

Approval of Vouchers:

Payroll: #92651- #92654 advices

Vouchers: #69237- #69283including ACH

Total: \$1,264,439.00

Motion to approve the vouchers as presented.

Move: Commissioner Holt Second: Commissioner Watkins Status: Passed

Managing Director Report & Engineering Update

Mr. Steffen Reported:

- Township meetings have been going well, with recent attendance at Ovid Township last week and Eagle Township last night.
- A successful legislative breakfast was held on Monday. Although Slatkin's office was unable to attend, they have since reached out and requested a future meeting.
- The Road Commission will also host the regional Lansing Chamber of Commerce at our facility on Wednesday, May 27.

Engineering Update:

- Airport Road construction is progressing well, with Stoll Road and Airport Road closed as of yesterday. The second half of the earmark funding for Airport Road was requested this morning.
- Chandler Road remains on schedule, with a stakeholder meeting planned next week to ensure coordination and communication ahead of the June 15 start date.
- County primary and local road projects are also moving forward as planned.
- A safety grant application will be submitted by the end of the month, along with applications for Category F economic development grants.
- Broadband installation is nearing completion, with crews currently working in the northern part of the county.
- Staff is also working with Bingham Township on a road use agreement and designated haul routes related to the potential solar farm construction.
- A portion of US-27 is expected to close sometime after July for approximately eight weeks for a box culvert replacement.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Revised Policies No. 98 and 129

Motion to approve revised policies No. 98 & 129, as presented.

Move: Commissioner Watkins, Second: Commissioner Holt, Status: Passed

Approval of Policy No. 30 - Investment of OPEB Funds

Motion to table consideration and approval of Policy No. 30 - Investment of OPEB Funds, until a future meeting to allow additional review and discussion by the Board.

Move: Commissioner Watkins, Second: Commissioner Holt, Status: Passed

Approval of Policy No. 31 - Public Access

Motion to approve Policy No. 31- Public Access, as presented.

Move: Commissioner Holt, Second: Commissioner Watkins, Status: Passed

2025 CCRC Annual Report

Motion to receive and place on file the 2025 Annual Report.

Move: Commissioner Watkins, Second: Commissioner Holt, Status: Passed

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment

With no further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m.
Move: Commissioner Watkins Second: Commissioner Holt Status: Passed



Karla Gurski, Finance Director/Clerk