

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

800 10th Street
 Baldwin, MI 49656
 Wednesday January 14, 2026

Prayer: Prayer with Commissioner Raymond

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman called the meeting to order at: 10:00

Present: Sanders, Russel, Fuller, Welford, Seroczynski, Raymond and Lodholtz

Absent: none

Commissioner Fuller moved that the agenda be approved with a second from Commissioner Sanders. *All in favor motion carried.*

Commissioner Russel moved that the Closed Session and Regular Minutes dated December 10, 2025 with a second from Commissioner Fuller. *All in favor-motion carried.*

Public Comment:

Jodi Nicols from the Right Place

Presentations:

None

Motions:

101 GENERAL FUND	\$169,569.88
207 SHERIFF ROAD PATROL FUND	\$38,318.07
209 LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$680.00
211 JAIL T.R.V. PROJECT	\$1,659.87
215 FRIEND OF THE COURT	\$473.33
220 HOLLISTER SENIOR CENTER FUND	\$60.00
233 MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLAN FUND	\$1,512.00
245 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$127.65
249 BUILDING INSPECTION DEPT	\$14,262.07
251 EMERGENCY 911 PROGRAM	\$27,686.72
256 REG OF DEEDS AUTOMATION FUND	\$967.03
260 INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	\$5,039.13
261 E911 SERVICE FUND-WIRELESS	\$11,200.00
269 LAW LIBRARY	\$302.98
292 CHILD CARE-PROBATE	\$3,325.78
293 SOLDIERS RELIEF FUND	\$4,661.26
505 AMBULANCE	\$51,864.42
569 DHS BUILDING	\$238.32
636 INFORMATION SERVICES	\$693.16
TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS	\$332,641.67

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to approve the semi-monthly detail analysis dated January 14, 2026 totaling \$332,641.67; with a second from Commissioner Welford. Yes: Welford, Russel, Fuller, Seroczynski, Raymond, Sanders and Lodholtz. No: 0

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to authorize the County Administrator to conduct Budget Amendments and transfers for FY-2026 beyond the \$15,000 limit for Capital Projects, Grants or Encumbrances, as needed; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. Yes: Russel, Fuller, Seroczynski, Raymond, Sanders, Welford and Lodholtz. No: 0

Commissioner Raymond made a motion to appoint Larry J Burdick as Lake County Special Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, effective January 14, 2026, and to approve of the legal services contract with Larry J. Burdick Attorney at Law, PLLC and authorize the Board Chair to sign any and all necessary documents; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. Yes: Welford, Russel, Fuller, Seroczynski, Raymond, Sanders and Lodholtz. No: 0

Correspondence:

Lake County Building Department June 2025 Permit Summary

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Commissioner Sanders made a motion to approve of the Board Chair's reappointment of Gary Coleman, representing VFW Post 5315, and Mahdi Tate, representing The American Legion Post 133, to the Veterans affairs Board effective 1/14/2026, terms ending 12/31/2029; with a second from Commissioner Fuller. All in favor-motion carried.

Administrators Report (includes but is not limited to):

None

Commissioners Committee Reports:

Commissioner Russel gave an MSU update
Commissioner Sanders gave reports from: 911/LEPC

Commissioners Privilege:

Commissioner Fuller would like to see a special policy put in place for the Clerks Office so that staff members do not lose their overtime during holidays that fall during election pay periods. Commissioner Raymond agreed. Commissioner Lodholtz ask Clerk Pacola to write a letter and they will look at the matter.

Sheriff Department Report:

None

Public Comment:

None

Adjourned at 10:36 am