

**VILLAGE OF MATTAWAN
24221 FRONT AVE.
MATTAWAN, MI 49071
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

NOVEMBER 25, 2025

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 7:00 PM
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
3. ATTENDANCE: **Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, Stuut**
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: *Manager McGrew, Clerk Storm-Artis*
4. WELCOME TO PUBLIC
5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING BEING RECORDED
6. CONSENT AGENDA
 1. Council Meeting Minutes of November 10, 2025
 2. Bills in the amount of \$105,984.50 + 11,857.74 = \$117,842.24**Items 1 and 2 approved without objection.**
7. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
President Stuut added New Business H-MPD Special Assessment Workshop
8. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Motion by Begeman, seconded by McLean to approve the agenda as amended. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
9. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEM
Emilly Hickmott presented information on the Van Buren County Conservation District, programs, and current available survey.
10. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. FINANCE COMMITTEE – CHAIR SREETER
No meeting, no report
 - B. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – CHAIR DANIEL
No meeting, no report
 - C. DPW COMMITTEE – CHAIR MCLEAN
No meeting, no report
 - D. LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE – CHAIR GURLEY
No meeting, no report
 - E. PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE – CHAIR MONROE

No meeting, no report

F. POLICY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – CHAIR BEGEMAN

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G. ZONING AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – CHAIR STUUT

No meeting, no report

H. PLANNING COMMISSION LIAISON REPORT – LIAISON STREETER

No meeting, no report

I. DDA COMMITTEE – CHAIR ROB BROOKS

No meeting, no report

J. KATS – MANAGER MCGREW

No meeting, no report

11. STAFF REPORTS

A. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT – *Chief Mansfield presented his report.*

B. CLERK’S REPORT – *Clerk Storm-Artis presented her report*

C. ENGINEER’S REPORT – *Engineer Woodhams was not present*

D. ATTORNEY’S REPORT – *Attorney Graham was not present*

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. BIDS TO COMPLETE VILLAGE OFFICE BASEBOARDS – *Manager McGrew*
Short discussion took place. No action taken.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVE VC3 INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,064.01 – *Manager McGrew*
Motion by Daniel, seconded by Gurley to approve the VC# invoice in the amount of \$7,064.01. Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

B. VILLAGE OF MATTAWAN SCRAPBOOK – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Discussion took place.
Motion by Monroe, seconded by Daniel to allow the Village Office to move to digital records for the scrapbook. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, Monroe, Streeter and Stuut voted yes. McLean voted no. Motion carried 6-1.

C. PLANNING COMMISSION REAPPOINTMENTS – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Motion by McLean, seconded by Streeter to appoint Kendra Daniel, Clint Fournier, and Joel Lamb to the Planning Commission for terms of two years ending November 30, 2027. Voice vote taken. Daniel abstained. Motion carried.

D. PLANNING COMMISSION COUNCIL LIASON RESOLUTION – *Clerk Storm-Artis*

Motion by Streeter, seconded by Monroe to approve the resolution appointing Member Streeter to the Planning Commission for a term of one year ending November 30, 2026. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

- E. 2026 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Motion by Begeman, seconded by Gurley to approve the 2026 Regular Council Meeting Schedule. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

F. ROAD LINE PAINTING BIDS

Discussion took place.

Motion by McLean, seconded by Stuut to approve the bid from Michigan Pavement Markings in the amount of \$6,300.00. Roll call vote taken. Begeman, Daniel, Gurley, McLean, Monroe, Streeter, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 7-0.

G. 2025 FRIDAY HOLIDAY WORK SCHEDULE

Discussion took place.

Motion by Begeman, seconded by McLean to close the Village Office and DPW on Friday, December 26, 2025 and Friday, January 2, 2026 with the option of employees using their available paid time off to be paid for these closure dates. Motion withdrawn.

Further discussion took place.

Motion by Stuut, supported by Begeman to postpone item until the next meeting and have Manager McGrew discuss options with office and DPW staff and present findings at the next regular council meeting. Voice vote taken. Streeter voted nay. Motion carried 6-1.

H. MPD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP

Motion by Daniel, seconded by Gurley to hold a workshop to discuss the MPD Special Assessment. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

14. COMMUNICATIONS

Parliamentary Training Opportunity with City of Portage
2026 Planning Commission Regular Meeting Schedule

15. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS *None*

16. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Member McLean commented on the new tree in the park.

Member Begeman and Member Stuut commented on the MAM training they attended. Some ideas include increasing communication by having Manager McGrew send out a weekly memo to council, meeting with the council president more frequently, posting specific language regarding 1st amendment auditors on the doors.

17. ADJOURNMENT @ ***8:01 PM***
Meeting adjourned without objection.