Dear Friends of Van Buren County,

The 2017-2018 Directory is a tool to enhance communication with all levels of government. The Directory will assist in providing information for contacting elected officials holding local, state and national offices and is organized according to county, city, township and village office.

The information contained is the most current available at the time of its printing. However, some changes will occur and updated information can be obtained by contacting this office. Copies of this Directory are available upon request. You can also visit our county website at www.vbco.org.

Van Buren County Government promotes equal opportunity for all, and encourages the talents, creativity and leadership of all County employees in striving for prompt, courteous, respectful and efficient delivery of services.

Suzie Roehm, Van Buren County Clerk
roehms@vbco.org
(269) 657-8218, Option 6

On Labor Day, September 2, 1901 the cornerstone was laid in the present Courthouse. On October 25, 2001 the next 100 year Time Capsule was laid in the cornerstone as the first hundred years of the Courthouse was celebrated.

The Michigan Historical Marker Program, established by Act 10 of the Public Acts of 1955 to recognize historic sites in Michigan, includes the Van Buren County Courthouse among its more than 900 sites. This action was taken on November 15, 1977.

Thereafter, in June of 1978 the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners, by resolution, established the Courthouse Restoration Committee who work diligently in seeking funds for improvements. This committee functions as an ad hoc committee to the Board of Commissioners. The committee informs and makes suggestions to the Commissioners. The committee encourages fund raising activities and all funds collected are funds of Van Buren County and are deposited in the County Treasurer’s Office to be used for the preservation and maintenance of the Courthouse. The committee has had an architectural study done of the Courthouse and recommendations have been made to the Board of Commissioners concerning what the priorities are in connection with the Courthouse improvements. In 2002, restoration of the main floor offices of the Prosecuting Attorney and County Clerk were completed.

An official State Historical marker was secured and funded by a special group of County citizens and dedicated October 22, 1990.
VAN BUREN COUNTY
OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY
8:30 a.m. TO 5:00 p.m.

COUNTY OFFICES ARE CLOSED
FOR THE FOLLOWING LEGAL HOLIDAYS

NEW YEAR’S DAY
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
PRESIDENT’S DAY
MEMORIAL DAY
INDEPENDENCE DAY
LABOR DAY
VETERANS DAY
THANKSGIVING DAY
DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING
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MICHIGAN STATE DEPARTMENTS

Attorney General .................................. (517) 373-1110
P.O. Box 30212, Lansing, MI 48909

Department of Civil Rights ................. (517) 335-3165
Capital Tower Bldg, Suite 900, Lansing, MI 48933

Civil Service Commission ..................... (517) 373-3030/800-788-1766
Capitol Commons Center, 400 S. Pine Street, Lansing, MI 48933

Licensing and Regulatory Affairs .......... (517) 373-1820
P.O. Box 30004, Lansing, MI 48909

Corporation's Division (Customer Service) ... (517) 241-6470
Department of Corrections ..................... (517) 335-1426
P.O. Box 30003, Lansing, MI 48909

Department of Education ....................... (517) 373-3324
P.O. Box 30008, Lansing, MI 48909

Department of Health and Human Services (517) 373-3740
P.O. Box 30195, Lansing 48909

Human Services .................................... (517) 373-2035
P.O. Box 30037, Lansing 48909

Legal Aid of Western Michigan ......... 1-800-819-0773
Intake Line ............................................ 1-888-783-8190
201 W. Kalamazoo Avenue, Suite 427, Kalamazoo 49007

Department of Technology, Management and Budget P.O. Box 30026, Lansing MI 48909 (517) 373-1004

Department of Community Health, Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Administration 320 S. Walnut, Lansing MI 48913 (517) 335-0196

Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (517) 481-8000
3411 N. Martin Luther King Blvd., Lansing, MI 48906

Department of Natural Resources ......... (517) 284-5815
P.O. Box 30028, Lansing, MI 48909

Department of State ......................... (517) 373-2540
430 W. Allegan, Lansing, MI 48933

Department of Treasury ....................... (517) 373-3200
Lansing, MI 48922

Bureau of State Lottery ....................... (517) 335-5600
P.O. Box 30023, Lansing 48909

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COUNTY NEWSPAPERS

Courier Leader, Paw Paw – Lawton (Friday)
32280 Red Arrow Hwy., P.O. Box 129, Paw Paw 49079 (269) 657-3072

Decatur Republican (Thursday)
P.O. Box 36, 121 S. Phelps St., Decatur 49045 (269) 423-2411

South Haven Tribune (Sunday)
308 Kalamazoo St., South Haven 49090 (269) 637-1104

SHOPPING GUIDES

Van Buren County Advertiser, Gobles ............... (269) 628-5122
Flashes, Paw Paw ............................................ (269) 657-5080
Van Buren Reminder ......................................... (269) 427-7474

COUNTY RADIO STATIONS

103.7 COSY FM WCSY/Midwest Family Broadcasting
11637 M-140 Hwy. Suite B, South Haven ............(269) 637-6379

SECRETARY OF STATE

Branch Offices Located in Van Buren County
Website: www.michigan.gov/sos

Paw Paw, 1037 East Michigan Ave., 49079-0218
Paw Paw Office fax: (269) 657-5841
Telephone for all branches ......(888) SOS-MICH or (888)767-6424

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Plainwell Office Service Center .........................(269) 685-6851

VAN BUREN STATE PARK
SOUTH HAVEN
Telephone (269) 637-2788

SOUTH HAVEN CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU
Telephone (269) 637-5252
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

STATE POLICE POSTS:
Paw Paw Post 51, 43255 60th Ave., Paw Paw 49079
Located at I-94 Decatur Exit ... (269) 657-5551
5th District Headquarters
108 W. Michigan Ave., Paw Paw (269) 657-6081

HOSPITALS:
Bronson LakeView Hospital
408 Hazen Street, Paw Paw 49079 (269) 657-3141

Bronson South Haven Hospital
955 S. Bailey Avenue, South Haven 49090 (269) 637-5271

SOCIAL SECURITY:
Website: www.socialsecurity.gov

VAN BUREN COUNTY AMERICAN RED CROSS
301 N. Center, Hartford, MI 49057
Mail: 3838 Niles Rd., St. Joseph, MI 49085
Telephone (269) 621-6456

POTAWATOMI RESOURCE
CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
315 West Greene St., Marshall, MI 49068
(269) 697-1723, Contact: Brian Huggett
Email: info@potawatomi-rcd.org
Website: www.potawatomi-rcd.org

VAN BUREN COUNTY UNITED WAY
181 W. Michigan Avenue, Suite 4
Paw Paw, MI 49079
(269) 657-2410, Fax (269) 657-6544
Email: vbcunitedway@yahoo.com
Website: www.vbcuw.org

Van Buren County Web-Site

The Van Buren County Services and Information Center hosts information, online services, and interactive mapping for Van Buren County. Our intent is to host a website that the public can access via an internet connection, reducing calls and visits. The interactive mapping section is used by local planners to make informed decisions, and by local business people such as realtors, appraisers, speculators, and developers.

To visit the Van Buren County Community Center, go to: http://www.vbco.org
A HISTORY OF VAN BUREN COUNTY

Van Buren County is located in Southwest Michigan bordering on Lake Michigan on the West and Kalamazoo County on the East. Its Southern border is 21 miles from the Indiana state line and on the North it borders Allegan County. The County is known as the fruit basket of Michigan. The growing season opens with asparagus harvest in May and closes in the fall with apples and grapes. The Lawton, Porter and Paw Paw area is the grape capital of the County with each accommodating the fruit processors and wineries. Bangor, Bloomingdale, Hartford and Lawrence grow premium peaches and apples; Keeeler has extensive strawberry beds and the large blueberry plantations are located in Columbia and Geneva.

Van Buren County has a proud history paralleling the story of statehood. Settled for the most part by New York Dutch and New Englanders, it was formed into a County by an Act of the Legislative Council of Michigan and approved October 29, 1829, in the same Act that created Cass, Berrien and Kalamazoo Counties. It was not until 1837 that the people of Van Buren County were deemed sufficiently numerous to justify them in assuming the responsibilities of local self government. On March 18, 1837 an Act organizing the County was approved by the Governor of Michigan.

The first election of County Officers was held on the second Monday of April 1837 and the following were elected: Wolcott H. Keeler and Jay R. Monroe, Associate Justices; Jeremiah H. Simmons, Judge of Probate; Samuel Gunton, Sheriff; Nathaniel Starkweather, County Clerk and Daniel O. Dodge, Treasurer. The first Courthouse originally fronting the Paw Paw Main Street is now used as the Paw Paw Village Hall and is located at 111 East Michigan Avenue. The present Courthouse was formally dedicated in 1901 and was made possible by a $50,000 subscription by Paw Paw businessmen when South Haven threatened to wrest the County Seat from Paw Paw. Total cost of the present Courthouse and the old Jail was $120,000. Dedicated January 26, 1963 a $4,000,000 addition to the County Jail was completed with the final architect fee retired at the 1963 June session of Van Buren County Board of Supervisors. This addition adjoined the old Jail and housed an additional 55 prisoners. In May of 1981 remodeling of this addition was

LIBRARIES

Van Buren District Library
Webster Memorial Library Building
200 N. Phelps Street
Decatur, Michigan 49045 ........................................ (269) 423-4771
FAX ......................................................... (269) 423-8373

Paw Paw District Library www.pawpaw.lib.mi.us
E-mail: ppdl49079@yahoo.com
Website:
609 West Michigan Avenue
Paw Paw, Michigan 49079 ........................................ (269) 657-3800
FAX ......................................................... (269) 657-2603

Lawton Public Library
Website: www.lawtonlibrary.com E-mail: jelliesk@lawtonmi.gov
125 South Main Street, Drawer 520
Lawton, Michigan 49065 ........................................ (269) 624-5481
FAX ......................................................... (269) 624-1909

Hartford Public Library
Website: www.hartfordpl.michlibrary.org
15 Franklin Street, P.O. Box 8
Hartford, Michigan 49057 ........................................ (269) 621-3408
FAX ......................................................... (269) 621-3073

South Haven Memorial Library
Website: www.shmlibrary.org E-Mail: shml@shmlibrary.org
314 Broadway Street
South Haven, Michigan 49090 .................................. (269) 637-2403
FAX ......................................................... (269) 639-1685

VAN BUREN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P. O. Box 452
Hartford, MI 49057
(269) 621-2188

Sandra Merchant, President................................. (269) 521-3296
E-Mail: merchant1@btc-bci.com
Kristi Brando, Recording Secretary ...................... (269) 674-3024
Roylinda Rumbaugh, Corresponding Secretary .... (269) 668-2836
E-Mail: homeplace@yahoo.com
Nancy Brock, Treasurer................................. (269) 375-4239

The Society’s Museum is located east of Hartford on Red Arrow Highway on the north side of the County Fair Grounds. The museum is open June through September on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m. The last tour of the 44 room renovated Poor House begins one hour prior to closing. Special requests are considered.

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contracted for $134,141. and completed in 1982. Renovation of the old Jail was completed in 1987 at costs of approximately $180,000. In 2001 another addition and remodeling of the jail was completed, the County Building Authority secured bonds for $1,935,000 for cost.

The Courthouse Annex was dedicated in July 1976 and houses 7th District Court East on the main floor. In September 1977 the Probate and Juvenile Courts moved in on the second floor. The total cost of the Annex Building was $663,000. At end of 2000 the original County Records Building located on Main Street in Paw Paw was damaged extensively by fire. The State Probation offices located in that building had to be moved and now occupy part of the lower level in Courthouse and Annex Building. This building was renovated in 2001 with funds from fire insurance, and is now occupied by County Economic Development Office and Board of Commissioners Office. The Courthouse time capsule of 1901 contents previously displayed here are now housed at the Van Buren County Historical Society Museum located east of Hartford on Red Arrow Highway.

The Department of Human Services and Health Department Building located on C.R. 681 in Hartford was put into use in May 1974 at a cost of $446,000 and an addition in October 1978 was completed at a cost of $605,000. In 1991 the County completed construction of a new building located on C.R. 681 to house DHS and the 1974 building was renovated to house Public and Mental Health. Bonding in the amount of $3,900,000 was obtained for new construction. The Animal Shelter located off C.R. 681 at Hartford was constructed in January 1978 at a cost of $125,000.

The Van Buren County Building West at 1007 East Wells Street in South Haven was dedicated in June, 1980 at a cost of $745,000. This building houses the 7th District Court West. In 1988 the lower level of this building was remodeled at cost of $215,000 and provides space for a satellite office for District Public Health. The County Annexed 21.5 acres of Paw Paw Township property to Village of Paw Paw and purchased said land in 1989 for future expansion. The first building dedicated October 26, 1990 houses Community Mental Health and a satellite Public Health Office on this property. The County bonded for this first building in amount of $2,200,000.
The upper and lower domes of the Courthouse had to be removed from the top of the building for restructuring and repair. This historic project was completed in 1999 at a cost of $249,654. In the year 2000 the county erected a new Maintenance Building on County property on Hazen Street in Paw Paw at a cost of $139,425.

In 2001 the main floor of the Courthouse restoration was completed at cost of $234,882. and houses the offices of the County Clerk on East side and the Prosecuting Attorney on West side. Dedication of this Restoration along with the next 100 year time capsule being laid in Courthouse cornerstone was held on October 25, 2001.

Van Buren County, named after U.S. President Martin Van Buren, has come a long way since its residents traded with the Potawattomi Indians and followed their trails with pioneer roads. Population trends indicate it is located in a growing area of the state.
CITY OFFICIALS

BANGOR CITY
Meeting First & Third Mondays, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall 257 W. Monroe Street, Bangor 49013-1386
Telephone (269) 427-5831 Fax: (269) 427-7919

Nick Householder .................................................................. Mayor
Regina Hoover .................................................................. City Manager
Laura Roe ........................................................................ City Clerk
Pam Shultz ......................................................................... City Treasurer
Fred Hicks .......................................................................... Council Member
Geno Alemann .................................................................... Council Member
Harold Bator ......................................................................... Council Member
Dan Fry ......................................................................... Council Member
Steve Lowder ................................................................ Council Member

Perceptive Controls, Inc. (DPW)
421 W. Arlington St. .................................................. (269) 427-7918
Tommy Simpson, Chief of Police
414 Division St. .......................................................... (269) 427-5801
James Taylor, Cemetery Sexton ........................................ (269) 427-7918
Dianna McGrew, City Assessor
813 Park Shore Dr., Cassopolis 49031 .................................. (269) 358-4497
Chuck Moore, Building Inspector
19631 CR 687, South Haven 49090 .................................. (269) 569-0015
Russ Puckett, Electrical Inspector ..................................... (269) 208-7465
........................................ FAX (269) 637-4667
Walt Devisser, Mechanical Inspector .................................. (269) 569-0831

DATES OF FIRST RECORDS IN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

County Incorporated ................................................................1829
Marriages .............................................................................. 1836
Births ...................................................................................... 1867
Deaths ...................................................................................... 1867
Courthouse Cornerstone Laid ............................................... 1901
Time Capsule Courthouse Cornerstone Laid ....................... 2001

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Though Van Buren County is known as an agricultural county, suburbia is invading its borders. Population increases reflects the East side is the growth area and the County's location on the Lake Michigan shore-line indicates the trend of increased tourism.
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VILLAGE AND CITY

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VILLAGE OF MATTAWAN
Meeting Second & Fourth Monday, 7:00 p.m.
24221 Front Avenue, Mattawan 49071
Telephone (269) 668-2128
FAX (269) 668-4324
E-Mail: offices@mattawanmi.com

Terri McLean.................................................. Administrator
Lesley Markle............................................... President
John Beck..................................................... Pro-Tem
Brenda DeRuyscher................................. Council Member
Donald Cole........................................ Council Member
Scott Smith............................................ Council Member
Joanne Rossman...................................... Council Member
James Kirklin......................................... Treasurer
Terri McLean, Clerk...............................(269) 668-2128
Scott Herbert, Chief of Police.............(269) 668-3661
Tom Anthony, Superintendent of Public Works ...(269) 668-2300
Bill Elmer ........................................... Planning Commission Chair
Ron Verleger, Building Inspector.........(269) 207-7271
Rich Gorris, Plumbing Inspector..........(269) 207-1543
Rich Healy, Mechanical Inspector........(269) 657-6602
Lee Bailey, Electrical Inspector........(269) 569-0831

VILLAGE OF PAW PAW
Village Hall, 111 E. Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, MI 49079
Telephone (269) 657-3148
FAX (269) 657-7544
Meetings Second & Fourth Monday, 7:30 p.m.
at the Paw Paw District Library, 609 W. Michigan Ave.

Roman Piasczczak, President................(269) 657-3148
Larry Nielson, Village Manager.............(269) 657-3148 ext. 243
Sarah Moyer-Cale, Asst. Village Manager......(269) 657-3148
Marcos Flores, Council Member.............(269) 655-9916
Eric Larcinese, Council Member...........(269) 657-9381
Douglas Craddock, Council Member........(269) 657-3148
Mary H. McIntosh, Council Member.........(269) 657-5388
Nadine Jarvis, Council Member...........(269) 657-3148
Donne Rohr, Council Member..................(269) 657-6551
John Small, Director Public Services......(269) 657-3148 ext. 222
Eric Marshall, Police Chief.............(269) 657-5501 ext. 235
Christopher Tapper, Clerk.................(269) 657-3148 ext. 249
Leonard Lux, Community Development Coordinator...(269) 657-3148
VILLAGE OF LAWRENCE
Meeting Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Village Hall, 157 N. Paw Paw Street
P.O. Box 217, Lawrence 49064
Telephone (269) 674-8161, Fax (269) 674-3004
E-mail: office@lawrencemi.org

David Quick, President .........................................................
Mary Webster, President Pro/Tem, Trustee...............................
Lucinda Nower, Clerk/Trustee ..............................................
Rick Weston, Trustee ............................................................
Janet Utter, Treasurer .........................................................
Phil Glennie, Trustee ............................................................
John Gritter, Trustee ............................................................
Lucinda Nower, Clerk/Trustee ..............................................
Police Services, Deputy Bielang .......................................(269) 674-3600

VILLAGE OF LAWTON
Meetings Second & Fourth Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers—125 S. Main Street
P.O. Box 367, Lawton, MI 49065
Telephone: (269) 624-6407 FAX (269) 624-6408
E-mail: clerk@lawtonmi.gov

Todd Hackenberg ............................................................... Village President
Rendell Turner ................................................................. Council Trustee
Joshua C. Appleby ............................................................. Council Trustee
Gail Dudek .......................................................................... Council Trustee
David R. Lesman ............................................................... Council Trustee
Judith A. Peterson ............................................................. Council Trustee
Richard K. Reeves ............................................................ Council Trustee
Jennifer Robertson ............................................................ Clerk/Treasurer
Thomas N. Verburg, Police Chief .....................................(269) 624-2382
Eric J. Ramsey, Fire Chief ............................................... (269) 624-7470
Michael P. Grabbe, Public Works Superintendent ...........(269) 624-6406
Ron Verleger, Building Inspector .....................................(269) 207-7271

U.S. SENATORS FROM MICHIGAN
Debbie Stabenow (D) ........................................ 731 Hart Senate Office Building
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                                                                 Michigan Office
                                                                 3280 Beltline Court, Suite 400
                                                                 Grand Rapids, MI 49525
                                                                 Phone: (616) 975-0052 Fax (616) 975-5764
Gary Peters (D) ............................................................. 2 Russell Courtyard
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                                                                 Phone: (202) 224-6221
                                                                 477 Michigan Avenue #1860
                                                                 Detroit, MI 48226
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U.S. REPRESENTATIVE
6th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Fred Upton (R) ............................................................ 2183 Rayburn House Office Bldg.
                                                                 Washington D.C. 20515
                                                                 Phone: (202) 225-3761 Fax: (202) 225-4986
District Offices:
720 Main St., St. Joseph 49085
Phone: (269) 982-1986 Fax: (269) 982-0237
350 E. Michigan Ave., Ste. 130, Kalamazoo 49007
Phone: (269) 385-0039 Fax: (269) 385-2888
E-Mail Via Website: www.upton.house.gov/contact

STATE OF MICHIGAN OFFICIALS
Rick Snyder, (R) ............................................................ Governor
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Phone: (517) 373-3400
Brian Calley ............................................................... Lieutenant Governor
Ruth Johnson .............................................................. Secretary of State
Bill Schuette .............................................................. Attorney General
STATE SENATOR
Tonya Schuitmaker (R) ................................................. State Senate
26th District ............................................................... 201 Townsend St.
................................................................................. P.O. Box 30036
................................................................................. Lansing, Michigan 48909
................................................................................. Telephone: (517) 373-0793 Fax: (517) 373-5607
................................................................................. Toll Free 1-866-305-2120
................................................................................. E-Mail: sentschuimaaker@senate.michigan.gov

STATE REPRESENTATIVE
Beth Griffin (R) .............................................................. State Representative
66th District ................................................................. S-1085 House Office Building
................................................................................. P.O. Box 30014
................................................................................. Lansing, Michigan 48909-7514
................................................................................. Telephone: (517) 373-0839
................................................................................. Fax: (517) 373-5940
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MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT
Chief Justice Stephen J. Markman
Justice Richard Bernstein
Justice Joan L. Larsen
Justice Bridget Mary McCormack
Justice David F. Viviano
Justice Robert P. Young, Jr.
Justice Brian K. Zahra

MICHIGAN COURT OF APPEALS
Hall of Justice - 925 West Ottawa Street
P.O. Box 30022, Lansing, MI 48909
Website: http://courts.mi.gov/courts/coa

Lansing Office .................................................................. (517) 373-0786
Detroit Office .................................................................. (313) 972-5678
Troy Office ..................................................................... (248) 524-8700
Grand Rapids Office ...................................................... (616) 456-1167

VILLAGE OF BREEDSVILLE
Meeting Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Village Hall, 82 Main Street
P.O. Box 152, Breedsville, MI 49227-0152
Telephone: (269) 427-9029
Website: www.breedsville.org

Paul Griffin, President/Road Comm ............................................. (269) 427-9029
................................................................. pgriffin.breedsville@gmail.com
Dave Sumner, Vice-Pres/Council Member/Drain.......................... (269) 427-9029
................................................................. dsumnner.breedsville@gmail.com
Linda Norton, Clerk/FOIA Information Officer ......................... (269) 767-0096
................................................................. breedsvilleclerk@gmail.com
Heather Allen, Treasurer ....................................................... (269) 427-9029
................................................................. breedsvilletreasurer@gmail.com
Steven Rogusta, Council Member/Parks .................................... (269) 427-9029
................................................................. sro gusta.breedsville@gmail.com
Rhonda Griffin Council Member ................................................ (269) 427-9029
................................................................. rgriffin.breedsville@gmail.com

VILLAGE OF DECATUR
Meeting First Monday, 7:00 p.m.
Village Hall, 114 N. Phelps Street, Decatur 49045-1009
Telephone (269) 423-6114
FAX (269) 423-9047
Website: www.decaturmi.org
E-Mail: village@decaturmi.org

Ali Elwaer, President ............................................................ (269) 423-7772
Charlene Jackson, President Pro-Tem ....................................... (269) 423-8464
Kim Gunther, Trustee .......................................................... (269) 436-0834
Kenny Hayes, Trustee .......................................................... (269) 262-1122
Robert Mead, Jr., Trustee ...................................................... (269) 870-4102
Cynthia Pachner, Trustee ......................................................... (269) 423-7368
Tom Stull, Trustee ............................................................... (269) 423-7397
Aaron Mitchell, Village Manager ............................................. (269) 423-6114
................................................................. amitchell@decaturmi.org
Matthew Newton, Clerk/Treasurer ............................................ (269) 423-6114
................................................................. mnewton@decaturmi.org
Evelyn Avery, Utility Billing Clerk ............................................ (269) 423-6114
................................................................. eavery@decaturmi.org
Open, Chief of Police .......................................................... (269) 423-2171
James Ebeling, Public Works Foreman ...................................... (269) 487-8475
................................................................. jebeling@decaturmi.org
Tony Cirino, Building Inspector ................................................ (269) 207-5554
Norman Klug, Mechanical Inspector ........................................ (269) 252-3612
WAVERLY TOWNSHIP (CONTINUED)

ATTORNEY: Harold Schuitmaker
181 W. Michigan Ave., Suite 1, Paw Paw 49079 (269) 657-3177
Tasha Smaley, Zoning Admin./Ord. Enforcement (800) 626-5964
Michigan Township Services, Inc.
Building, Electrical, Plumbing & Zoning Permits
111 Grand, Allegan 49010 (269) 657-6847
Attorney: Harold Schuitmaker
181 W. Michigan Ave., Suite 1, Paw Paw 49079 (269) 657-3177
Tasha Smaley, Zoning Admin./Ord. Enforcement (800) 626-5964
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Planning Commission meets second Monday each month,
Board of Appeals meets as requested

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE
7:30 p.m. Bloomingdale Municipal Building
109 E. Kalamazoo St.
Office of the Clerk, P.O. Box 236, Bloomingdale 49026
PH: (269) 521-3222, FAX: (269) 521-3534
E-Mail: bdalevil@btc-bci.com

Tom Rock, President
206 W. Willow Street (269) 521-3870
Steve Strong, Village Clerk
404 N. Van Buren Street (269) 521-6420
Judy Little, Treasurer
501 E. Kalamazoo Street (269) 521-6026
Barb Strong, Council Member
404 N. Van Buren Street (269) 521-6420
Shirley Noble, Council Member
206 Spring Street (269) 521-4367
Toni Ranken, Council Member
209 N. Mill Street (269) 521-7796
Mark Jackson, Council Member
311 N. Chestnut Street (269) 521-7252
Justin Crawford, Council Member (269) 521-0199
218 S. Monroe Street
Doug Burleson, Public Works Superintendent (269) 569-4044

ELECTED OFFICES

2017-2018 VAN BUREN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Gail Patterson-Gladney .......................................................... District 1
914 S. Kalamazoo St., South Haven, Michigan 49090
Phone: (269) 637-0862 (Home)

Kurt Doroh ................................................................. District 2
300 Cherry St., Bangor, Michigan 49013
Phone: (269) 427-0336 (Home)

Richard Godfrey, Chairperson ........................................ District 3
00491 38 1/2 St., Bloomingdale, MI 49026
Phone: (269) 521-7685 (Home)

Richard W. Freestone ...................................................... District 4
31002 60th Avenue, Bangor, Michigan 49013
Phone: (269) 427-7674 (Home)

Mike Toth, Vice-chairperson ............................................. District 5
51640 35 1/2 Street, Paw Paw, Michigan 49079
Phone: (269) 657-4255 (Home)

Donald A. Hanson ............................................................ District 6
75406 56th Street, Decatur, Michigan 49045
Phone: (269) 674-8780 (Home)

Paul S. Schincariol ............................................................ District 7
27730 Rolling Pines Court, Lawton, Michigan 49065
Phone: (269) 271-9463 (Home)

SCHEDULED MEETINGS WILL BE POSTED

Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month with
Committee of the Whole beginning at 3:00 p.m. and the
Regular Board of Commissioners meeting beginning at 4:00 p.m.
in the Commissioners Room located on the second floor
of the Administration & Land Services Building.
Commissioners Mailing Address:
219 E. Paw Paw Street Suite 303, Paw Paw, MI 49079
Van Buren County
Commission Districts 2017 - 2018

SOUTH HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
Meeting Second Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Township Hall
09761 Blue Star Hwy., South Haven, MI 49090-9744
Telephone (269) 637-3305 FAX (269) 637-6250

Ross Stein, Supervisor
14149 73rd Street, South Haven 49090 .......... (269) 637-6746
Brenda Bertorelli, Clerk
09391 C.R. 689, South Haven 49090 .......... (269) 637-7825
Hillary Fisher, Treasurer
11600 C.R. 689, South Haven 49090 .......... (269) 637-9977
Maureen Lewandowski, Trustee
76720 13th Avenue, South Haven 49090 .......... (269) 639-1910
Michael DeGrandchamp, Trustee
15599 77th Street, South Haven 49090 .......... (269) 637-5703
Paul Kiry, Trustee
17479 77th St., South Haven 49090 .......... (269) 637-4080
David Wiatrowski, Trustee
13517 Blue Star Highway, South Haven 49090 .......... (269) 637-3305

Daniel J. Poll, Building Inspector ................. 1-800-626-5964
Lyle Lester, Electrical Inspector .................. 1-800-626-5964
Patrick Hudson, Zoning Administrator ........... 1-800-626-5964
Steve Larsen, Planning Commission Chairman
Planning Commission meets first Wednesday of each month
Lowell Tippman, Zoning Board Appeals Chairman

WAVERLY TOWNSHIP
Meeting First Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
Township Hall 42114 M-43 Hwy., Paw Paw, MI 49079
Telephone (269) 657-6847
FAX (269) 657-1834
Office Hours 9:00 – 12:00 Monday – Thursday
Website: www.waverlytownship.com

Robert Reits, Supervisor .......................... (269) 657-1776, ext. 2
Sandra Oakleaf, Clerk ......................... (269) 657-1776, ext. 1
Fay Dorr, Treasurer .................. (269) 657-1776, ext. 3
Tom Fleetwood, Trustee .................. (269) 657-1776, ext. 1
Anthony Milek, Trustee .................. (269) 657-1776, ext. 1
Chester Haluch, Cemetery Sexton
36904 47th Ave., Paw Paw 49079 .......... (269) 657-3082
Ann Richmond, Assessor .................. (269) 657-1776, ext. 4

Waverly Township continued on next page
PINE GROVE TOWNSHIP
Meeting Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Township Hall, 26520 CR. 388, Kendall
Mailing Address: 26520 C.R. 388, Gobles, MI 49055

Scott Hess, Supervisor; scottahess@yahoo.com
25525 12th Avenue, Gobles 49055 ...........................(269) 628-4769
.................................................(269) 601-2245 (H)
Michelle Meert, Clerk, Email: pinegroveclerk@yahoo.com
25213 2nd Ave., Allegan, MI 49010 ..............................(269) 628-4380
Donna Hephner, Treasurer, Email: pinegrovetr@hotmail.com
04080 23 1/2 Street, Gobles, MI 49055 ............................(269) 628-4488
.....................................................(269) 694-9374 (H)
Robert Stack, Trustee
28200 12th Ave., Gobles 49055 ...............................(269) 628-4380
.....................................................(269) 217-1730 (H)
Jesse Richardson, Trustee
26853 Lake Street, Gobles 49055 ..............................(269) 628-4380
.....................................................(269) 628-5085 (H)
Ben Brousseau, Assessor, Email: bb@apginc.us
.....................................................(269) 628-4380
Jeff Gasper, Sexton .................................(269) 628-4338

Michigan Twp. Services Building, Electrical & Mechanical permits
Patrick Hudson, 111 Grand Street, Allegan 49010 .....(269) 673-3239

PORTER TOWNSHIP
Township Hall, 88040 M-40 Hwy., Lawton, MI 49065
Meeting Second Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Township Hall
Telephone: (269) 624-4022

Chris Oxley, Supervisor
32593 Dugan Court., Lawton 49065 ...........................(269) 370-1190
Charles Meade Jr., Clerk
89615 Shorelane Drive, Lawton 49065 ...........................(269) 624-1159
Andrew Nesbitt, Treasurer
88040 M-40 Hwy. South, Lawton 49065 ...........................(269) 624-6252
Nathan Bitely, Trustee
28235 Shaw Road., Lawton 49065 ..............................(269) 624-6459
Laura Packer, Trustee
75520 28th Street, Lawton 49065 .............................(269) 762-2671
Rich Drews, Building Inspector ..............................(269) 476-8887
Rich McGrew, Zoning Enforcement Officer ...............(269) 228-3234
Ron Bellaire, Electrical Inspector ...........................(269) 663-3429
John Dobberteen, Plumbing/Mechanical Inspector ......(269) 651-4567

DISTRICT #1 POPULATION 11,271
All of Covert and South Haven Townships and the City of South Haven.

DISTRICT #2 POPULATION 10,119
All of Geneva Township, Columbia Township, Arlington Township, and the City of Bangor.

DISTRICT #3 POPULATION 11,873
All of Bloomingdale Township, Pine Grove Township, Almena Township, and the City of Gobles.

DISTRICT #4 POPULATION 10,278
All of Bangor, Hartford and Keeler Townships, and the City of Hartford.

DISTRICT #5 POPULATION 11,260
All of Waverly Township, all of Paw Paw Township, and the portion of Antwerp Township lying Northwesterly of a line along the centerlines of roads as follows: Beginning at 30th Street at the North Line of Antwerp Township, thence South on 30th Street to 58th Ave., thence East on 58th Ave. to C.R. 657, thence South on C.R. 657 to 60th Avenue, thence West on 60th Avenue to 30th Street, thence South on 30th Street to 62nd Avenue, thence West on 62nd Ave. to M-40 Highway, thence Northwesterly on M-40 Highway to the West line of Antwerp Township. (Precinct 3)

DISTRICT #6 POPULATION 10,940
All of Hamilton, Decatur, Lawrence and Porter Townships and the Village of Lawrence.

DISTRICT #7 POPULATION 10,517
The remainder of Antwerp Township.

NOTE: These population numbers are from the 2010 Census.
KEELER TOWNSHIP
Meeting First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
Keeler Township Hall
64121 Territorial Rd. W., Hartford, MI 49057
Mailing Address: 64418 Territorial Rd., W. Hartford, MI 49057
Telephone (269) 621-6481

William J. Kays, Supervisor
72883 CR. 687, Hartford, MI 49057 ................. (269) 621-3604
....................................................... Cell (269) 621-5226

Carl F. Davis, Clerk
64418 Territorial Rd. W., Hartford 49057 .......... (269) 621-6481
....................................................... Cell (269) 449-4909

Barbara K. Fisher, Treasurer
69145 80th Ave., Watervliet 49098 ............. (269) 463-3604
P.O. Box 65, Hartford 49057 (Tax Payments)

Tom Landis, Trustee
91219 Pitcher Dr., Benton Harbor 49022 ........ (269) 944-3191

Carmen Fleischauer, Trustee
68847 M-152 Hwy., Benton Harbor 49022 ...... (269) 325-7769

Ronald Jacobs, Planning Commission Chairman ... (269) 424-3274

Ed McKermim, Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman ... (269) 424-5472

Eugene Jarvis, Cemetery Sexton ..................... (269) 449-7447

Anne Richmond, Assessor ...................................... (269) 870-4587

Don Herter, Building Inspector ....................... (269) 479-9680

Allyn Anthony, Zoning Administrator ............. (269) 424-5427

Ken Simpson, Electrical Inspector ................... (269) 471-5869

John Dobberstein, Plumbing & Mechanical Inspector. (269) 651-4567

Deputy Ray Hochsprung, Code Enforcement Officer. (269) 539-0110

Zoning Ordinances are enforced, contact the Building & Zoning Inspectors. For general information contact the Supervisor, Clerk or Treasurer. For property taxes and assessments contact the Treasurer or Assessor. For information concerning the cemetery contact the Clerk. Transfer site is seasonal, open on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April through October.

COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS
Administration & Land Services Building First Floor
219 E. Paw Paw Street, Suite 102 Paw Paw, MI 49079-1497
Telephone (269) 657-8242
FAX (269) 657-8285

Paul W. De Young .................................. Register of Deeds
Jill Arnold ............................................. Chief Deputy Register
Pam Cerven .......................................... Deputy Register

COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER
Administration & Land Services Building Third Floor
219 E. Paw Paw Street, Suite 301 Paw Paw, MI 49079–1492
Telephone (269) 657-8241
FAX (269) 657-8286

Joe Parman ............................................. Drain Commissioner
Peter VanDop ........................................ Engineer/Chief Deputy Drain Commissioner
Georgia Massura ..................................... Deputy Drain Commissioner
Andy Abbott ......................................... Soil Erosion/Drain Maintenance Supervisor

COUNTY SURVEYOR
Administration & Land Services Building Third Floor
P.O. Box 121, 219 E. Paw Paw Street, Paw Paw, MI 49079
Telephone (269) 657-8021
FAX (269) 657-8022

Donald Gilchrist ....................................... County Surveyor
Charles Lossie ........................................ Deputy County Surveyor
Dallas Pierce ......................................... Office Administrator

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT
205 South Kalamazoo Street, Paw Paw, MI 49079-1594
Administration (269) 657-2006
Detective Div. (269) 657-7711
Youth/Comm. Services (269) 657-6077
Jail Division (269) 657-2171 – Dispatch Center (269) 657-3101
EMERGENCY 911

Daniel E. Abbott ........................................... Sheriff
Chad Hunt ................................................. Undersheriff
Thomas Macyauski ..................................... Detective/Lieutenant
Mark McCulfor ........................................ Detective/Lieutenant
Manny DeLaRosa ..................................... Jail Administrator
Robert Kirk .................................................. Lieutenant
Wayne Polomcak ........................................ Sergeant
James Charon ........................................... Operations Lieutenant
Dennis Harvey .......................................... Sergeant
Tony Evans .............................................. Sergeant
Casey Davis .............................................. Sergeant
Greg Pentland .......................................... Sergeant
David Walker ............................................ Detective/Sergeant
James Dietz .............................................. Detective/Sergeant
Mick Masterson ......................................... Detective/Sergeant
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**HARTFORD TOWNSHIP**

Meeting Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Township Hall, 61310 CR 687, Hartford, MI 49057
Telephone (269) 621-4658

Ron Sefick, Supervisor
59320 62nd Street, Hartford 49057 .......(269) 621-4349
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John McLellan, Trustee
62785 Red Arrow Highway, Hartford 49057 .......(269) 621-3249
Kurt B Dowd, Trustee
59725 60th Avenue, Hartford 49057 .......(269) 621-3461

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**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

Office hours Monday 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Or call for appointment

Jim Lechenet, Zoning Administrator .......(269) 621-6555
GENEVA TOWNSHIP
Meeting Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Township Hall, 62127 CR 380 (No Mail Delivery)
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Website: www.vbco.org/geneva.asp
Non-Zoned Community

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Clare Olney, Trustee
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Hal Manning, Assessor
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FAX .......(269) 639-0917
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.................................................(269) 312-3300 Fax (517) 241-9308
Walter DeVisser, Mechanical Inspector
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Michael Fields, State Plumbing Inspector ......(269) 348-4386
Peter Sorensen, Sextant ..........(269) 767-0375

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP
Meeting, Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Township Hall, 52333 W. Territorial Road, Decatur 49045
Mail: P.O. Box 35, Decatur, MI 49045
Telephone and Fax (269) 423-7852

Carl Druskovich, Supervisor
45149 W. M-51, Decatur 49045 ............(269) 423-7866
Tina Leary, Clerk (hamtwpcityclerk@gmail.com)
46911 Delta Drive, Decatur 49045 ............(269) 268-0148
Sandra Hanson, Treasurer
75406 56th Street, Decatur 49045 .......(269) 674-8780
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56582 W. Territorial Road, Decatur 49045 ......(269) 423-7547
Craig Rose, Trustee
51020 92nd Avenue, Decatur 49045 ............(269) 423-6358
Charles Goodrich, Zoning Administrator
56582 Territorial Road W., Decatur 49045 .......(269) 423-7547
Ralph Mykle, Planning Commission Chairman
55838 84th Ave., Decatur 49045 ............(269) 423-5521
Hal Manning, Assessor
1447 Clarke Place, South Haven 49090 .........(269) 637-0421

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT (continued)

Nathaniel Johnson .................................. Corrections Officer
Katie Christopher ................................. Corrections Officer
Nate Penning .................................. Corrections Officer
Nicole Northrop .................................. Corrections Officer
Alan Boyer .................................. Corrections Officer
Jessica Spears .................................. Corrections Officer
Matthew Kozel .................................. Corrections Officer
Anton Janda .................................. Corrections Officer
Katherine Pease .................................. Corrections Officer
Ron Huston .................................. Juvenile Transport Officer
Tim McGee .................................. Deputy Director
Mike Hostetler .................................. Deputy Director
Ramon Beltran II .................................. Dispatcher
Greg Dean .................................. Dispatcher
Karl Stamm .................................. Dispatcher
Taye Wheeler .................................. Dispatcher
Chad Weemhoff .................................. Dispatcher
Tom Bush .................................. Dispatcher
Christine Mortimore .................................. Dispatcher
Mark Graham .................................. Dispatcher
Alvin Miles .................................. Dispatcher
Anna Dragt .................................. Dispatcher
Chad Kirby .................................. Dispatcher
Jennifer Heminger .................................. Dispatcher
Bill Daggett .................................. Court Security Officer
John Bonter .................................. Court Security Officer
Gary Losey .................................. Court Security Officer
Ron Quinn .................................. Court Security Officer
Ted Swanson .................................. Court Security Officer
John Vandenboss .................................. Court Security Officer
Mike Stamm .................................. Court Security Officer
Roger Frazee .................................. Court Security Officer
Jay Patrick .................................. Court Security Officer
Jon Campbell .................................. Court Security Officer
Gerald Kerns .................................. Court Security Officer
David McLeese .................................. Court Security Officer
Patricia Gurley .................................. Sheriff’s Secretary
Catherine Brooks .................................. FOIA/SOR Coordinator
Jennifer Sieber .................................. Clerk Typist
Deb VanHouten .................................. Clerk Typist
Sabrina Streit .................................. Clerk Typist
Heather Barr .................................. Clerk Typist
Carol Pilen .................................. Clerk Typist
Brigitte Vegeter .................................. Corrections Clerk/Fiduciary

DIVE TEAM
Nate Penning .................................. Dive Captain/Diver
Diver Cody Anderson .................................. Diver Charity DeRoo
Diver Casey Davis .................................. Diver Darin Mentink
Diver Trevor Tate .................................. Diver Ben Downey
Diver Owen Ridley .................................. Diver Ben Ludwig
Greg Straka and Tom Bush .................................. Marine Deputy/Support
SHERIFF DEPARTMENT (continued)

MARINE DIVISION

Nate Penning .......................................................... Marine Sergeant
Deputy Jason Fisk ................................................. Deputy David Ives
Deputy Anatasia Bury ........................................... Deputy Tom Bush
Deputy Cody Moore ............................................... Deputy Greg Straka
Deputy Michael Bush ............................................. Deputy Alvin Miles
Deputy Martin Super ............................................. Deputy Bob Budner
Deputy Mikal Pechota ............................................ Deputy Jared Rotzien
Deputy David Revore ............................................ Deputy Patrick Quinn
Deputy Ron Blain .................................................. Deputy Joseph Blain

MOUNTED DIVISION

Captain Raven Reed ................................................... Lieutenant Britney Hood
Sergeant Lloyd Mearing ........................................... Deputy Caitlin Butler
Deputy Stephanie Alford ........................................... Deputy Jennifer Buskirk
Deputy Don Gilchrist ............................................... Deputy Lindsey Strouse
Deputy Megan Mearing ........................................... Deputy Lisa Mearing
Deputy Holly Mielke ................................................ Deputy Tali Sorenson
Deputy Alexis Sunlin .............................................. Deputy Marjorie Mickaels

RESERVE DIVISION

Lt. Jason Avery ............................................................ Lt. Walt Grech
Sgt. Mark Fazzini ...................................................... Sgt. Bob DeLoof
Deputy Jeff Gilbert .................................................. Deputy Brian Johnson
Deputy Jason Bruch .................................................. Deputy Rick Mayer
Deputy Brein Schubert ............................................. Deputy Cassie Bell
Deputy Matt Wilton .................................................. Deputy Rodney Bridgeforth
Deputy Ryan Metz ..................................................... Deputy Rick Boze
Deputy Deb Boze ...................................................... Deputy Aaron Bohne
Deputy Jim Wiseley .................................................. Deputy Michael Burk-Lawrence
Deputy Rick Loper .................................................... Deputy Mike Hall
Deputy Matt Jenks ..................................................... Deputy Doc Birch

ANIMAL CONTROL

58040 CR. 681, Hartford, MI 49057
Telephone (269) 621-4624 FAX (269) 621-3964

Kasey Murphy ....................................................... Kennel Director
Ashley Taylor ........................................................ Animal Shelter Staff
Ryan McFanin ......................................................... Animal Control Officer
Robert Everhart ...................................................... Animal Control Officer
Dillon Preston ........................................................ Animal Control Officer

VAN BUREN COUNTY
OFFICE OF DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS
205 South Kalamazoo Street
Paw Paw, MI 49079
(269) 657-7786

Robert Kirk, Director ................................................. E-mail: kirk@vbco.org

DECATURE TOWNSHIP
Meeting Second Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Decatur Township Hall
103 E. Delaware St., P.O. Box 33, Decatur, MI 49045

Kevin Kusmack, Supervisor
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Janet Abshagen, Clerk
435 Lee Avenue, Decatur 49045 ........................................ (269) 423-8438
James W. Abshagen, Treasurer
106 N. George Street, Decatur 49045 ................................... (269) 423-8176
Katelin Makay, Trustee
82153 42nd Street, Decatur 49045 ....................................... (269) 423-6260
Paul Makay, Trustee
37261 CR 669, Decatur 49045 ......................................... (269) 978-8309

Cemetery Co-Sextons: Janet Abshagen & James Abshagen

Shalice Northrup, Assessor
................................................................. (269) 587-0208

Tommy Simpson, Zoning Administrator/Code Enforcement Officer
...................................................(leave message) (269) 423-2171

Building, Mechanical & Electrical Inspector Permits issued through State of Michigan, Contact Zoning Administrator for information (leave message).

Memorabilia Collector for Museum -James Abshagen..... (269) 350-1661

DECATURE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Meeting 1st Wednesday of Jan., Mar., May, Jul, Sep, Nov.
7:00 p.m. Township Hall

Sue Polomcak, Chair ................................................... (269) 624-6203
Janet Abshagen, Secretary ............................................ (269) 423-8438
Dick Overton .......................................................... Member
Nick Siskaninetz ...................................................... Member
Ken Wilder .......................................................... Member
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Julian Allen, Police Chief
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Doug Myers, Fire Chief
P.O. Box 5, Covert 49043 ................................... (269) 764-1768
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............. ibirdsall@aol.com, (616) 764-8986, ext. 4, (616) 690-2525 ©
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.......... jamesuy@yahoo.com, (616) 764-8986, Ext. 4, (616) 299-9683
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19624 C.R. 687, South Haven, MI 49090
................................. (269) 427-8328 (B) (269) 569-0015 (C)
Lee Bailey, Electrical Inspector
35230 Riverview Dr., Paw Paw, MI 49079 ........... (269) 569-0831
Walter DeVisser, Mechanical Inspector
63263 CR. 380, Bangor 49013 .................. (269) 427-7543
Jim Lechenet, Ordinance Enforcement
68409 68th St., Watervliet, MI 49098 .......... (269) 208-8918(C)
Amy Muenchow, Planning Commission Chairman
P.O. Box 35, Covert 49043 ................................... (269) 767-3024
Barbara Memweather, Housing Commission Chairman
P.O. Box 377, Covert 49043 .................. (269) 764-8721
Ramona Tugan, Housing Director
P.O. Box 66, Covert 49043 .................. (269) 764-8881
Lois Brigham, Librarian
P.O. Box 7, Covert 49043 .................. (269) 764-1298
Butch Jarvis, Sexton . ................................... (269) 463-3000
**FRIEND OF THE COURT continued**

Theresa Szakas..........................Staff Attorney, ext. 1520
Heather Stately..........................Legal Assistant, ext. 1512
Aaron Rosecrans . Custody/Parenting Time Case Manager, ext. 1518
Matt Motter.............................Early Intervention Case Manager, ext. 1524
Tina Singleton...... Customer Service Specialist, Support, ext. 1503
Ann Fry ...............Lead Customer Service Specialist, Support, ext. 1504
Rebecca Bogren .... Customer Service Specialist, Support, ext. 1521
Tamela Beann ...............Customer Service Specialist, Support, ext. 1514
Kris Deanner.............................Account Specialist, ext. 1515
Amanda Hoeffe .................Local Project Coordinator, ext. 1525
Abelardo Munoz...............Customer Service Specialist, ext. 1501
Aurora Wallace ...............Customer Service Specialist, ext. 1505
Stephanie Peters ...............Medical Support Specialist, ext. 1507

**PROBATE COURT**
Courthouse Annex, 2nd Floor, Suite 220
212 Paw Paw Street, Paw Paw, MI 49079-1495
Telephone (269) 657-8225
FAX (269) 657-7573

Honorable David J. DiStefano.............Probate Judge
Barbara Dundon ................................ Register
Kelly Cowgill ................................Secretary/Court Recorder
Brandy Antonowitsch .....................Deputy Register
Heidi Winkler ....................................Clerk
Susan Taylor .................................... Clerk/Receptionist

**JUVENILE COURT**
Courthouse Annex, 2nd Floor
212 E. Paw Paw Street, Ste. 240 Paw Paw, MI 49079
Telephone (269) 657-8237
FAX (269) 657-8275

Honorable Jeffrey Dufon..................Circuit Judge
Lynn Bullard ..................................Family Division Administrator
Michael Winston .........................Caseworker Supervisor//Referee
Veronica Stillson .........................Family Division Deputy Administrator
Christina Carlsoen .........................Court Specialist III
Mary Ann Schmitt .........................Court Specialist II
Emily Field ..................................Court Specialist I
Clint Cook ..................................Intensive Probation Officer
David Pelon ..................................Intensive Probation Officer
Alyssa Kennedy .........................Intensive Probation Officer
Robert Raines ................................Intensive Probation Officer
Rebecca Slater ..........................Probation Officer
Angela Smith ..........................Probation Officer
Kerry Jackson ..........................Probation Officer
Ronni Sue Dolge ..........................Probation Officer
Christina King ..........................Finance Officer
Jeanna Ross ..........................Asst. Finance Officer

**BLOOMINGDALE TOWNSHIP (continued)**
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Mike Fields, State Plumbing Inspector..........................(269) 348-4386
Tim Remington , Cemetery Sexton..........................FAX (269) 637-6199
61747 CR 388, South Haven 49090 (269) 637-6500 cell (269) 686-6608
Dep. Mark Hamre, Ordinance Enforcement..........................(269) 657-3101
Phil Kernodle, Fire Chief..................(269) 521-3535, cell (269) 998-2336

**COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP**
Meeting, Third Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
Township Hall, 53053 C.R. 388, Grand Junction
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Telephone (269) 434-6227
FAX (269) 434-6916

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P.O. Box 323, Grand Junction 49056 ...........(269) 434-6566
Stacey Corke, Clerk
P.O. Box 323, Grand Junction 49056 ...........(269) 434-6227
Karen Gruss, Treasurer
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53053 C.R. 388, Bloomingdale 49026 .......(269) 434-8630
Kathy Curtis, Trustee
P.O. Box 191, Grand Junction 49056 ...........(269) 434-6662

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P.O. Box 323, Grand Junction 49056 ...........(269) 434-6227
Marcia Lukens, Secretary
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Karen Gruss, Board Rep
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Tom Fry, Member
P.O. Box 323, Grand Junction 49056 ...........(269) 427-0504
Dick Curtis, Member
P.O. Box 323, Grand Junction 49056 ...........(269) 434-6227

**OTHER**
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Jerry Thibodeaux, Assessor
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David Johnson, Fire Chief ...........(269) 434-6266
Jeff Gasper, Cemetery Sexton ...........(269) 628-4338
BANGOR TOWNSHIP
Meeting Second Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.
Township Hall, 32550 C.R. 687, Bangor 49013
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FAX: (269) 427-5904

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Sandra Karr, Treasurer
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David Houdek, Trustee
26314 68th St., Covert 49043 .......................(269) 427-8145
James Karr, Trustee
36545 69th Street, Covert 49043 ....................(269) 764-8524
Charles Moore, Building Inspector
19624 CR. 687, South Haven 49090 ...............(269) 569-0015
Mark Smith, Electrical Inspector ...................(269) 312-3300
Walter DeVisser, Mechanical Inspector
63165 C.R. 380, Bangor 49013 .....................(269) 427-7543

BLOOMINGDALE TOWNSHIP
Meeting, Third Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
Bloomingdale Municipal Center
109 E. Kalamazoo St.
P.O. Box 11, Bloomingdale, MI 49026
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37425 20th Avenue, Gobles, MI 49055 .........(269) 628-5845
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35230 Riverview Dr., Paw Paw, MI 49079

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7th DISTRICT COURT EAST DIVISION
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Telephone (269) 657-8222

Honorable Michael T. McKay ......................District Judge
Craig A. Hess ..................................Administrator/Magistrate
Susan Klein ..................................Secretary/Court Recorder
Laurie Powell ..................................Adult Probation Officer
Maggie Edington ................................Probation Secretary
Lenore Orozco ..................................Account Clerk
Shelly Sonnevil ..................................Civil Clerk
Virginia Mattox ..................................Civil Clerk
Susan Taylor ..................................Deputy Clerk
Tabitha Neal ..................................Deputy Clerk
Janie Soderlund .................................Deputy Clerk
Monica Marler ..................................Deputy Clerk
Kathy McCloskey ................................P/T Deputy Clerk

7th DISTRICT COURT WEST DIVISION
P.O. Box 311, 1007 East Wells Street, South Haven, MI 49090
Telephone (269) 637-5258
FAX (269) 639-4517

Honorable Arthur H. Clarke III .......................District Judge
James Becker ..................................Administrator/Attorney Magistrate
David Hill ..................................Adult Probation Officer
Laura Canaan ..................................Judicial Secretary/Recorder
Florence Jackson ................................Probation Secretary
Dawn Borah ..................................Account Clerk
Isabel Galaviz ..................................Civil Clerk
Vacant ..................................Civil Clerk
Ronda Willett ..................................Deputy Clerk
Teena Harris ..................................Deputy Clerk
Kristi Mitchell ..................................Deputy Clerk
Lauren Harry ..................................P/T Deputy Clerk

SPECIALTY COURTS
212 E. Paw Paw St., Lower Level, Paw Paw, MI 49079
Telephone: (269) 657-8200 Ext. 2478

Rachel Lindley ..................................Director
Nehemiah Poffenberger ..........................Caseworker
Courtney Michalka ................................Caseworker
Gary Baker ..................................Caseworker
COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
Administration & Land Services Building 3rd Floor
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Human Resources (269) 657-8253
Board of Commissioners (269) 657-8200 ext. 1271
FAX (269) 657-8252

Douglas S. Cultra ..................................................................... Administrator
Debbie Hall ............................................................ Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Fitzpatrick ................................................... Human Resources Supervisor

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
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FAX (269) 657-8255

Steven Vincenzi .......................................................... Chief Accounting Officer
Dasha Heinz ....................................................... Payroll/AP Supervisor
Michelle Markus ........................................ Data Processing Assistant

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Administration & Land Services Building 2nd Floor
219 E. Paw Paw Street, Suite 202, Paw Paw, MI 49079-1492
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FAX (269) 657-8297

Shafeeq Hameed .................................................. Director
John Paul Lambrechts .................................................. Deputy Director
Scott Adams .......................................................... Help Desk Manager

DEPARTMENT OF LAND SERVICES
Equalization, Land Management, GIS, Planning, Passport Acceptance,
Brownfield Redevelopment Authority & Remonumentation
Administration & Land Services Building 3rd Floor
219 E. Paw Paw Street, Suite 302, Paw Paw, MI 49079-1492
Land Mgmt: Telephone (269) 657-8243 FAX (269) 657-0579
Equalization: Telephone (269) 657-8234 FAX (269) 657-0579

Edward VanderVries .............................................. Director of Equalization, ext. 15
Kathy Swinehart ...... Dep. Director/Senior Property Appraiser, ext. 13
Ted Thar ................................................................. Director/GIS Coordinator, ext. 14
Kirk Adams ............................................................... GIS & Addressing Specialist, ext. 11
Lisa Boer ............................................................... Ext. 12
............................... Land Services Specialist/Remonumentation Grant Administrator

Department Appointments
VBC Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Edward VanderVries, Board Member
VBC Planning Commission ................. Ted Thar, Staff Representative

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35230 Riverview Drive, Paw Paw 49079 (269) 569-0831 Fax (269) 655-0504
Rich Goris, Plumbing Inspector
10033 West S Ave., Mattawan, MI 49071 ...............(269) 668-3149

Planning Commission Meeting
First Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
Township Building, 24821 Front Ave., Mattawan, MI 49071-9598

Anna Daly, Chairman ........................................... (269) 668-2615
Zoning Board of Appeals
Contact Township Office Monday-Thursday
Gary Stock, Chairman ........................................... (269) 668-2615

ARLINGTON TOWNSHIP
Township Hall
Corner 34th Ave., and 52nd St., Bangor
Mailing Address: 48030 C.R. 673, Lawrence, MI 49064-9657
Board Meeting Third Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

Jacque Philippe, Supervisor
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William R Pugsley, Clerk
48030 C.R. 673., Lawrence 49064-9657 .......(269) 674-8475
Phillip A. Pitts, Treasurer
56024 CR. 376, Bangor 49013-9749 ..........(269) 427-8288
Jeff Melvin, Trustee
30531 White Oak Dr., Bangor 49013-9729 ........(269) 427-5221
Douglas DeLeo, Trustee
50563 M-43, Bangor 49013 ......................(269) 427-5056

John O’Connell, Zoning Admin./Ordinance Enforcement Officer
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David Adams, State Mechanical Inspector ........ (989) 463-5709
Mike Fields, State Plumbing Inspector .......... (269) 348-4386
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Walt DeVisser, Mechanical Inspector
63165 CR 380, Bangor, MI 49013 ..............(269) 427-7543
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TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

ALMENA TOWNSHIP
Meeting Second Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Almena Township Hall
27625 CR 375, Paw Paw, MI 49079-9426
Telephone (269) 668-6910
Office Hours: Mon. – Wed. – Fri. –9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Bill VanTassel, Supervisor
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Sandra Rickli, Clerk
24729 CR 375, Mattawan 49071 ...................... (269) 668-4287
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44857 Hayden Street, Mattawan 49071 ...........(269) 427-8400
Goell Moffat, Trustee
26041 27-1/2 Street, Gobles 49055 .............. (269) 217-5371
Greg Babik, Trustee
25900 Stone Bridge Ave., Mattawan 49071...... (269) 668-2187
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Chris Gargus ....................................... Electrical Technician
Ken Shipley ......................................... H.V.A.C. Technician

VAN BUREN COUNTY OUTSIDE DEPARTMENTS

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Mark Longstroth ................................... District Horticulture Educator
Bruce MacKellar .................................... Agriculture Educator
Diana Hassan ...................................... Family & Consumer Sciences Educator
Janice Zerbe ........................................... 4-H Youth Development Educator
Melissa Franklin ................................... Office Manager
Janean Danca ........................Citizen Planner Coordinator/Administrative Assistant

CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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Kyle Mead .......................................... MAEAP Technician
Erin Fuller ......................................... Watershed Coordinator
Eleanor Serocki ................................. Invasive Species Specialist
Colleen Forestieri ......................... Conservation Technician

DIRECTORS
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Carl Druskovich
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VAN BUREN PUBLIC TRANSIT BOARD
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
(3 Year Term)

Yemi Akenwale ..............................................................01-01-19
John Clement .................................................................01-01-20
William Myrkle ..............................................................01-01-20
Commissioner Kurt Doroh...........................................Board Representative
Commissioner Richard Freestone ......................Board Representative

VAN BUREN PUBLIC TRANSIT LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
(3 Year Term)

Julie Pioch (Planning) ...................................................07-01-18
Richard Curtis (Seniors) ..............................................07-01-18
Sharon Bennett (Disabled) ............................................07-01-20
Vacant (User/Disabled) .................................................07-01-20
Yazmine Fernandez (Low Income) .........................07-01-17
Faith Dowd (Area Agency On Aging) .........................07-01-17
Karen King (Education) .................................................07-01-17

LAND PRESERVATION BOARD
Appointed by the Board of Commissioners
(2 Year Term)

Ted Major .................................................................05-01-17
Bill Lawson .................................................................05-01-17
Dave Forester ..............................................................05-01-17
William VanTassel ......................................................05-01-19
Vacancy .................................................................05-01-17
Jeff Radkte/Scott Cederquist .......................................05-01-19
AJ Brucks .................................................................05-01-18
Julie Pioch .................................................................05-01-18
Kurt Doroh .................................................................05-01-18
Vacancy .................................................................05-01-18
Richard Godfrey .......................................................Commissioner Representative

9-1-1 ADVISORY BOARD

Daniel Abbott .............................................................Sheriff
Tim McGee .................................................................Central Dispatch Director
Dale Hinz .................................................................Michigan State Police Paw Paw
David McLeese ........................................................Van Buren County Police Chiefs Association
Ron Wise .................................................................Van Buren County Fire Chiefs Association
Derek Babcock ........................................................Van Buren County Fire Association
Dennis Reynolds .......................................................Van Buren Emergency Medical Services
Al Svilpe .................................................................Office of Domestic Preparedness
Ross Stein .................................................................Township Supervisor Representative
Randall Peat, Sid Shank .................................................Public Sector
Don Hanson, Mike Toth ..............................................Van Buren County Commission

VAN BUREN EMERGENCY MEDICAL COMMITTEE
VBEMS

Bill VanTassel ..........................................................Almena Township Supervisor
Dan Ruzick ..............................................................Antwerp Township Supervisor
Jacque Phillippe .......................................................Arlington Township Supervisor
Kevin K. Kusmack .....................................................Decatur Township Supervisor
Carl Druskovich .......................................................Hamilton Township Supervisor
Kenneth Barnett .......................................................Lawrence Township Supervisor
David Richardson .....................................................Paw Paw Township Supervisor
Robert Reits, Jr. .........................................................Waverly Township Supervisor
Mike Toth .................................................................County Commissioner
Paul Schincariol .......................................................County Commissioner
VAN BUREN/CASS
DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
Van Buren County Board Representatives
(3 Year Term)

Vincent Cabras ........................................... 01-01-18
Robert Linderman ........................................ 01-01-18
Donald Hanson ............................................ Commissioner Representative
Richard Freestone ........................................ Commissioner Representative

REGION IV AREA AGENCY ON AGING
2919 Division St., St. Joseph, MI 49085
Telephone (269) 983-0177
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
(3 Year Term)

Gail Patterson-Gladney .................................. 01-01-18
Donald Hanson ............................................ 01-01-18
Richard Freestone ........................................ Commissioner Representative

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Two Appointed by Board of Commissioners
One Appointed by Governor
(3 Year Term)

Donna Taylor (State DHHS Director appt.) ............... 10-31-18
Catherine Ontiveros (Board appt.) ......................... 11-01-19
Tom Riemer (Board appt.) ................................. 11-01-17
Donald Hanson ............................................ Commissioner Representative

REMONUMENTATION COMMITTEE
Appointed by Board of Commissioners

Don Gilchrist .............................................. Peer Group
Larry Nielsen ............................................. Cities Representative
Paul De Young .......................................... Register of Deeds
Lisa Boer .................................................. Land Management
William Kays ............................................. Township Supervisor
Larry Hummel ........................................... Road Commission
John McNeil ............................................. Attorney at Law
Ted Thar ................................................... GIS
Karen Makay ............................................. Treasurer
Edward VanderVries ......................... Equalization/Land Management Director
Kurt Doroh .............................................. Commissioner Representative

ROAD COMMISSION
Agency for Public Works
Board of County Park Trustees
Administration Office, 325 W. James Street, Lawrence, MI 49064
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Lawrence B. Hummel, P.E. ........ County Highway Engineer-Manager
.............................................Department of Public Works Director
Gregory Pardike .................................. Board Secretary-Accountant
Brian Cornish ....................................... So. District Maintenance Superintendent
Lynn Boltott .................................... No. District Maintenance Superintendent
Barry Anttila .................................... Highway Engineer
Joel Hoort ....................................... Jr. Engineering Technician
Paul Clift ........................................ County Weighmaster
Craig Ericksen ................................ Traffic Services Technician
Gary Rohacs ..................................... Equipment Superintendent
Warren Sell ..................................... Purchasing Officer
LuAnn Sell ..................................... Secretary/Receptionist
Jill Brien ........................................ Administrative Secretary
Linnea Rader ................................ Account Clerk
........................................................................ Board of Public Works, Secretary/Accountant
Kristina Longcore ................................ Account Clerk/Payroll

MAINTENANCE GARAGES

Southern District—Lawrence ....................... (269) 674-8011
Northern District—Bloomingdale ............... (269) 521-7670
Western Garage—Bangor ......................... (269) 427-8366

ROAD COMMISSIONERS

Reginald D. Boze ...................................... 12-31-22
Chester (“Chip”) Ray ................................. 12-31-22
W.C. Askew, Sr. .................................... 12-31-18
Alain E. Svilpe ..................................... 12-31-18
Gregory H. Kinney .................................. 12-31-20
Comm. Richard Freestone ......................... Board Representative
Comm. Kurt Doroh .................................. Board Representative
VAN BUREN COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY
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Paw Paw, MI 49079
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24 Hours Crisis Line 1-800-922-1418
FAX (269) 657-3474

Debra Hess .............................................. Chief Executive Officer

VAN BUREN/CASS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT
South of Red Arrow Highway /Human Services Bldg. – West
57418 CR. 681
Hartford, MI 49057
Front Desk/Appointments (269) 621-3143
FAX (269) 621-2725

Administration .................................................. (269) 621-4665
Jeffery L. Elliott .................................. Administrator/Health Officer, ext. 1337
Larry Wile .......................................................... Medical Director, ext. 1318
Frederick Johansen ................................. Medical Consultant, ext. 1318
Medical Examiner—call Sheriff Department (269) 657-8719

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VAN BUREN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
(3 Year Term)

Pam Sterner .................................................. 04-01-18
Tony Hemenway ........................................ 04-01-18
Celinda Gilmore ......................................... 04-01-19
Jaymi Ratzlaff .......................................... 04-01-19
Scott Cedarquist ....................................... 04-01-19
Jeff Radtke ............................................... 04-01-17
Kurt Doroh ............................................... 04-01-17
Jan Petersen ............................................. 04-01-17
Vacancy .................................................... 04-01-17
Richard Godfrey ...................................... Commissioner Representative

KINEXUS
Appointed by Board of Commissioners / Van Buren Appts.
(3 Year Term)

Chris Randall, Employment Services .................................. 06-30-18
Randall Peat, Private Sector .................................. 06-30-17
George Saleeby, Private Sector .................................. 06-30-19
Annie RedSicker, Private Sector .................................. 06-30-19
David Glynny ............................................. 06-30-17
Jeff Mills .................................................... 06-30-18
Comm. Donald Hanson .................................. Board Representative
Comm. Richard Godfrey .................................. Board Representative

MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY BOARD
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
Board Meets 1st Thursday after 1st Tuesday
(3 Year Term)

Tom Coles .................................................. 03-31-19
Carie Faul ............................................... 03-31-19
Catherine Gant ........................................ 03-31-19
Noel Salgado ........................................... 03-31-19
Vacancy ..................................................... 03-31-20
Vacancy ..................................................... 03-31-20
Tom Erdmann ........................................... 03-31-20
Angela Dickerson ....................................... 03-31-18
Mike Mosley ............................................ 03-31-18
Susan Barnes ............................................ 03-31-18
Chris Tapper ............................................ 03-31-18
Mike Toth .................................................. Commissioner Representative
SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN COMMISSION  
185 E. Main St., Suite 701, Benton Harbor, MI 49022-4440  
Telephone (269) 925-1137  
Appointed by Board of Commissioners  
(3 Year Term)  
Sandra Hanson.................................12-31-16  
Dave Foerster ..................................12-31-17  
Jeff Ratzlaff ..................................12-31-17  
Frances Sage .................................12-31-17  
Donald Hanson ..............................Commissioner Representative  
Kurt Doroh .................................Commissioner Representative  

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
Appointed by Commission Chairperson  
Confirmed by Board of Commissioners  
(6 Year Term)  
Randy Peat........................................02-13-22  
James J. Warner ................................02-13-22  
Ken Ratzlaff ..................................02-13-18  
David Distefano ..............................02-13-18  
Rodney Dragicevich ..........................02-13-20  
Amelia Barker King ...........................02-13-20  
Linda Stange ..................................02-13-21  
Vacancy ......................................02-13-21  
Paul Schincariol ..............................Commissioner Representative  

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
AND HUMAN SERVICES  
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Leesa Haist .....................................Program Manager  

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Lawrence, MI 49064  
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FAX (269) 674-8030  
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Bert Goens Learning Center ..................(269) 674-8091  
705 S. Paw Paw St., Lawrence 49064...............Fax (269) 674-3921  
Van Buren Behavioral Education Center ...........(269) 427-7961  
30 S. Walnut St., Bangor 49013 .................Fax (269) 427-5023  
Conference Center ................................(269) 674-8091  
490 S. Paw Paw St................................Fax (269) 674-8030  
Community-based Transition Center .............(269) 415-0277  
811 Hazen St., Paw Paw ........................Fax (269) 415-0278  
Shipping & Receiving ...........................(269) 674-8091  
633 Blackman St................................Fax (269) 674-8030  
Transportation Building ........................(269) 674-8091  
635 Blackman St...............................Fax (269) 539-5002  

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PO Box 30104, Lansing, MI 48909  
Telephone (800) 642-4838  
Local Veterans Service Officer ..................(269) 657-7376  
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APPOINTMENTS

COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
Wayne Nelson—Chairperson ...........................................
Steve Vicenzi ....................................................................
Robert Linderman ............................................................
Paul DeYoung .................................................................County Register of Deeds
Suzie Roehm .................................................................County Clerk
Karen Makay .................................................................County Treasurer

SOLDIERS RELIEF COMMISSION
Appointed by Probate Judge
(3 Year Term)
Douglas Nelson, Jr. .............................................................04-25-18
John Lammert .................................................................05-29-19
Bob Adams .......................................................................03-07-20

COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
Established by P.A. 456 of 1982 as Amended
Honorable David J. DiStefano .........................................Judge of Probate
Suzie Roehm .................................................................County Clerk
Karen Makay .................................................................County Treasurer

BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
(3 Year Term)
Jeff Mills ........................................................................06-01-18
Larry Nielsen ....................................................................06-01-18
Lisa Phillips .......................................................................06-01-18
Paul VandenBosh .............................................................06-01-16
Jeffrey Klan .......................................................................06-01-16
Ed Vander Vries ...............................................................06-01-16
Jan Petersen .....................................................................06-01-18
Gail Patterson-Gladney ........................................................Board Representative

ELECTION BOARD OF CANVASSERS
(4 Year Term)
Nancy Thomas (R) ...........................................................11-01-19
Jim Walters (D) ...............................................................11-01-19
Mary Ann Middaugh (R) ..................................................11-01-17
Mae Linderman (D) ..........................................................11-01-17

COUNTY APPORTIONMENT COMMISSION
Michael J. Bedford, Prosecutor .........................................Chairman
Suzie Roehm, County Clerk ..............................................Secretary
Karen Makay, County Treasurer .......................................Member
Republican County Chairman .........................................Member
Democratic County Chairman .........................................Member

JURY BOARD
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
Upon Recommendation of Circuit Judges
(6 Year Term)
Thomas Palenick .............................................................04-30-20
Robert Jackson ...............................................................04-30-19
A.C. Askew .....................................................................04-30-21

BOUNDARY COMMISSION
Appointed by Probate Judge
John Henry .................................................................08-04-18
Nina Consolatti ..............................................................01-12-18

COURTHOUSE RESTORATION COMMITTEE
Appointed by Board of Commissioners
(3 Year Term)
Not currently active