

AGENDA
MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESCHEDULED MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.
125 EAST SECOND STREET
MONROE, MI 48161
(734) 240-7003

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Led by Commissioner Moore
- IV. OPENING PRAYER
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (11/04/2025 Regular Meeting)
- VII. PUBLIC COMMENT
- VIII. RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL TRIBUTES & PRESENTATION
 - 1. Special Tribute recognizing Mr. Paul Simonton for 19 years of dedication to the Commission on Aging Board.

Suggested Action: No action required.

- 2. Presentation from Mr. Chris Westover, Environmental Health Director regarding the Sanitary Code of Appeals Board.

Suggested Action: No action required. For Board discussion and informational purposes only.

- IX. FINANCE MATTERS
 - 1. Update on status and development of 2026-2027 Budget from Mr. Michael Bosanac, Administrator/Chief Financial Officer.

Suggested Action: No action is required at this time as the information is preliminary and provided as a status report on development of the Budget.

- X. CONSENT AGENDA
 - 1. Approval of Non-Claims
 - a. Check Register dated 11/07/2025 in the amount of \$ 531,348.80

Suggested Action: Move to confirm/not confirm the Non-Claims payments as presented on the agenda for the dates and amounts listed.

ROLL CALL

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter dated November 5, 2025 from Honorable Michael Brown, 1st Judicial District Court requesting approval of Mr. Michael D. Lieberman as Attorney Magistrate for the 1st District Court per the Local Administration Order 2025-03.

Suggested Action: Move to accept the communication, place it on file, and approve/not approve Mr. Michael D. Lieberman as Attorney Magistrate for the 1st District Court per the Local Administration Order 2025-03. ROLL CALL

2. Letter dated November 4, 2025 from Mr. Jason Berry, Community Planning & Engagement Director submitting the proposed updates to the Bedford Township Master Plan for review and approval of the County Planner's recommendations.

Suggested Action: Move to accept the communication, place it on file and approve/not approve the recommendations of the County Planner and transmit the recommendations to the Bedford Township Council.

ROLL CALL

XII. PUBLIC HEARINGS—None

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. MIDC Matters

Suggested Action: Board Discretion.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

XVII. MEMBERS TIME

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 4, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Monroe County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting in the City of Monroe, on Tuesday, November 4, 2025. Chairman David Vensel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call by Deputy Clerk, Grace Miles, as follows:

PRESENT			ABSENT
David Hoffman	David Vensel	David Swartout	Dawn Asper
Jay Heinzerling	Brian Lamour		
J Henry Lievens	Greg Moore, Jr.		

A quorum being present, the Board proceeded to conduct business.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Lamour led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. OPENING PRAYER

Deputy Clerk, Grace Miles led the Opening Prayer.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Vice-Chairman Lievens, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to approve the November 4, 2025 Regular Meeting Agenda with the exception of number nine (9) which will be moved to the next meeting due to attendance.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Asper	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (10/21/2025 Regular Meeting Minutes)

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, supported by Commissioner Lamour to approve the minutes as presented for the October 21, 2025 Regular Meeting and waive the reading thereof.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Asper	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT—

1. Ned Birkey: Provided agricultural updates and explained Argentina is a big competitor of the U.S. when it comes to selling corn and soybeans. Explained the U.S. administration bought pesos from Argentina and the farmers aren't happy about it. Mr. Birkey also explained the effect the government shutdown has had on farmers. Stated the USDA is planning to reopen some offices later this week to take care of some of these issues. Stated there is new technology in agriculture and explained some examples used within our County. Shared apps that can be used for identifying weeds and explained a Penn State scab model for wheat.
2. Cheryl Lohmeyer: Explained she is present today to urge the Board to reconsider its vote not to pay our court appointed attorneys. Stated court appointed attorneys are statutorily and constitutionally required to ensure every individual receives fair and effective representation. Without these attorneys, the courts cannot meet their constitutional obligations and justice itself is compromised. Judge Lohmeyer explained these lawyers perform difficult, skilled, emotional, and essential work. Stated to withhold or delay payment for these services is not only inequitable, it is contrary to the County's legal duty and to the principles of justice we all serve. These attorneys have fulfilled their obligations under the law. The County must now fulfill their own obligations by compensating them fully and promptly. Respectfully ask the board to reverse their prior decision and authorize payment to these attorneys.
3. Sean Meyers: Explained the ways he is involved in the community, including the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission. Stated the recent words and actions of members of this Board have been frightening and is affecting his work performance. Shared his concerns regarding four (4) commissioners voting against paying the bills of the County. Despite his no vote, Mr. Meyers thanked and commended Commissioner Heinzerling for discussing this with him. Stated there is no MIDC policy or procedure and no State law that requires attorneys to bill their work monthly or they would lose their pay. Explained he is concerned that Henry Lievens is the one causing this. Explained the defense attorneys on the MIDC roster have all continued to do their duty currently without pay. Explained decisions are being made without having the facts and told the Board if there are questions regarding his bills, ask him.
4. Harry Mihouse: Stated he has been an attorney for twenty (20) years and explained where he attended school. Stated what attorneys do here is critical to the community. Mr. Mihouse encouraged the Board to go to an MIDC meeting and he can introduce them to members so they can ask questions and express their concerns. Mr. Mihouse explained he was one of those disadvantaged kids from a family that didn't have resources so he does this because he believes in it. Explained attorneys used to bill at the end of a case and within circuit court, he still presents his bills at the end of the case. There is a system to review if these billings are correct and ethical. The safeguards are there but even in theory, if one person is wrong, it shouldn't affect the rest of us. Not for services that are critical to this community. Encouraged the Board to reconsider their position from two weeks ago.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION—

1. Closed Session to discuss collective bargaining

Motion by Commissioner Lamour, supported by Commissioner Lievens to go into closed session.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Asper	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried. Chairman Vensel explained to the public that the Board is going to go two rooms over so members of the public would have a place to sit while the closed session is happening. Closed session began.

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, supported by commissioner Lamour to go back on the record.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Asper	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Lievens, supported by Commissioner Lamour to authorize the bargaining team to continue negotiations pursuant to the parameters discussed in closed session.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout		Greg Moore, Jr.	Dawn Asper	
J. Henry Lievens	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

IX. RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL TRIBUTES & PRESENTATION —

1. Presentation from Mr. Chris Westover, Environmental Health Director regarding the Sanitary Code of Appeals Board

The Board moved this item to the next Board meeting.

X. FINANCE MATTERS

1. Payment of the 10/22/2025 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$1,333,431.62.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, supported by Commissioner Lamour to accept the 10/22/2025 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$ 1,333,431.62 and approve the Claims for the date and amount presented.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE		NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
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Brian Lamour	David Swartout		David Hoffman	Dawn Asper	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Jay Heinzerling		J. Henry Lievens		
David Vensel					

Motion carried.

2. Payment of the 11/05/2025 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$2,427,003.95.

Motion by Commissioner Lamour, supported by Commissioner Swartout to accept the 11/05/2025 Accounts Payable Current Claims Report in the amount of \$ 2,427,003.95 and approve the Claims for the date and amount presented.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
Brian Lamour	David Swartout		David Hoffman	Dawn Asper	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Jay Heinzerling		J. Henry Lievens		
David Vensel					

Motion carried.

3. Letter dated October 29, 2025 from Mr. Jesse Stanford, Monroe County Treasurer, submitting the Cash and Investment Report for the quarter ended September 30, 2025.

Motion by Commissioner Heinzerling, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept and place on file the quarter-ended September 30, 2025 Cash and Investment Report.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Asper	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

4. Update on status and development of 2026-2027 Budget from Mr. Michael Bosanac, Administrator/Chief Financial Officer.

Michael Bosanac explained the current status of the 2026-2027 budget with no action required on the informational matter.

Discussion was held regarding the 911 surcharge.

XI. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Non-Claims
 - a. Check Register dated 10/24/2025 in the amount of \$ 576,947.63
 - b. Check Register dated 10/31/2025 in the amount of \$ 340,508.40

Motion by Vice-Chairman Lievens, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to confirm the

non-claims payments as presented on the agenda for the dates and amounts listed.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Aspe	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

XII. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Operations Committee – Report of Committee Chairman from 11/04/2025 Meeting. Link to Operations Committee 11/04/2025 Agenda Packet: [HERE](#)
 - a. Letter dated October 22, 2025 from Honorable Michael Brown, 1st District Court requesting additional funding for four (4) years of prior service credit for the new full time Attorney Magistrate candidate. This request would require an additional General Fund allocation of up to \$1,645.00 for 2025 and \$15,104.00 for 2026.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept the communication, place it on file, and approve the request for additional funding for four (4) of years prior service credit for the new full time Attorney Magistrate candidate. This request would require an additional General Fund allocation of up to \$1,645.00 for 2025 and \$15,104.00 for 2026.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Aspe	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

2. Letter dated October 21, 2025 from Honorable Amanda Eicher, District Court Judge & Sobriety Court requesting confirmation of acceptance for a grant award from the State Court Administrative Office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Sobriety Court in the amount of \$40,000.00, with a general fund contribution in the total amount of \$240.00. The county contribution of \$40.00 provides for payroll processing costs that cannot be provided by the grant, \$159.00 to cover training, lodging, and mileage expenses also not covered by the grant, and \$5.00 to cover membership fees that are not covered by the grant. An additional appropriation of up to \$149.00 would be required in 2025, with the balance of \$55.00 requested to be included in the 2026 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Lamour, supported by Vice-Chairman Lievens to accept the communication, place it on file and confirm the acceptance of the grant award from the State Court Administrative Office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Problem-Solving Court program in the amount of \$40,000.00, with a general fund contribution in the total amount of \$240.00. The county contribution of \$40.00 provides for payroll processing costs that cannot be provided by the grant, \$159.00 to cover training, lodging, and mileage expenses also not covered by the grant, and \$5 to

cover membership fees that are not covered by the grant. An additional appropriation of up to \$149.00 would be required in 2025, with the balance of \$55.00 approved to be included in the 2026 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Aspe	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

- Letter dated October 21, 2025 from Honorable Amanda Eicher, District Court Judge & Mental Health Recovery Court requesting confirmation of acceptance for a grant award from the State Court Administrative Office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Mental Health Recovery Court in the amount of \$185,336.00, with a local contribution of \$1,132.00 to provide for payroll processing costs and travel costs that cannot be provided by the grant. An additional appropriation of up to \$181.00 would be required in 2025, with the balance of \$951.00 requested to be included in the 2025 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Lamour, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept the communication, place it on file, and confirm the acceptance of the grant award from the State Court Administrative Office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Mental Health Recovery Court in the amount of \$185,336.00, with a local contribution of \$1,132.00 to provide for payroll processing costs and travel costs that cannot be provided by the grant. An additional appropriation of up to \$181.00 would be required in 2025, with the balance of \$951.00 approved to be included in the 2025 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Aspe	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

- Letter dated October 21, 2025 from Honorable Michael Brown, 1st District Court Chief Judge requesting confirmation of acceptance for a grant award from the State Court Administrative office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Veterans Treatment Court in the amount of \$35,840.00 with a general fund contribution in the amount of \$382.00. An additional appropriation of up to \$23.00 would be required in 2025, with the balance of \$359.00 requested to be included in the 2026 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Swartout, supported by Commissioner Heinzerling to accept the communication, place it on file, and confirm acceptance of the grant award from the State Court Administrative Office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Veterans Treatment Court in the amount of \$35,840.00 with a

general fund contribution in the amount of \$382.00. An additional appropriation of up to \$23.00 would be required in 2025, with the balance of \$359.00 approved to be included in the 2026 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Aspe	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

- Letter dated October 31, 2025 from Judge Mark Braunlich, Chief Judge, 38th Judicial Circuit Court and Judge William Paul Nichols, Adult Drug Treatment Court Judge, requesting approval to accept a grant award from the State Court Administrative Office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Adult Drug Treatment Court in the amount of \$83,000.00, with a general fund contribution in the total amount of \$698.00. This includes \$400.00 for payroll processing costs that cannot be provided by the grant and would require an allocation of \$100 in the 2025 budget with the remaining balance of \$300.00 be allocated in the 2026 budget. Additionally, this total contribution includes an allocation of \$134.00 in the 2025 budget and \$164 in the 2026 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Lamour, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept he communication, place it on file, and confirm acceptance of the grant award from the State Court Administrative Office for the grant period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for funding of the Adult Drug Treatment Court in the amount of \$83,000.00, with a general fund contribution in the total amount of \$698.00. This includes \$400.00 provides for payroll processing costs that cannot be provided by the grant and would require an allocation of \$100 in the 2025 budget with the remaining balance of \$300.00 be allocated in the 2026 budget. Additionally, this total contribution includes an allocation of \$134.00 in the 2025 budget and \$164 in the 2026 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	Greg Moore, Jr.		Dawn Aspe	
J. Henry Lievens	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

- Letter dated October 22, 2025 from Chief Deputy Mike Preadmore, requesting approval to accept the FY2026 MCOLES Justice Training Grant Award in the amount of \$21,009.35 with a minimum local match of 25% or \$7,003.12. The match will be funded from the Sheriff's Office 2026 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Heinzerling, supported by Commissioner Swartout to approve the acceptance of FY2026 MCOLES Justice Training Grant Award in the amount of \$21,009.35 with a minimum local match of 25% or \$7,003.12. The match will be funded from the Sheriff's Office 2026 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	J. Henry Lievens		Dawn Aspe	
Greg Moore, Jr.	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

7. Letter dated November 4, 2025 from Mr. Jason Berry, Community Planning & engagement Director requesting approval to accept a FY26 County Veterans Service Fund grant through the Michigan Veterans Affairs agency in the amount of \$67,048.06 to cover approved costs between October 1, 2025, and September 30, 2026. Accepting this grant obligates the Veteran Affairs cost center to cover \$899.00 for the Veterans Coordinator general liability insurance, which is not allowable per the grant. The 2025 amount of \$215.00 can be funded from current budget funds; the 2026 amount of \$684.00 is requested to be included in the 2026 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Lamour, supported by Commissioner Hoffman accept the communication, place it on file and approve the acceptance of FY26 County Veterans Service Fund grant through the Michigan Veterans Affairs agency in the amount of \$67,048.06 to cover approved costs between October 1, 2025, and September 30, 2026. Accepting this grant obligates the Veteran Affairs cost center to cover \$899.00 for the Veterans Coordinator general liability insurance, which is not allowable per the grant. The 2025 amount of \$215.00 can be funded from current budget funds; the 2026 amount of \$684.00 is approved to be included in the 2026 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	Greg Moore, Jr.		Dawn Aspe	
J. Henry Lievens	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

8. Letter dated October 21, 2025 from Ms. Holly Flint, Community Corrections Coordinator requesting approval to accept the FY2026 Community Corrections Grant in the amount of \$295,500.00 with an approximate local share of \$132,512.00 with a 25% (\$33,878.00) included in the 2025 budget and the remaining 75% (\$101,634.00) requested to be included in the 2026 budget.

Motion by Commissioner Hoffman, supported by Commissioner Lamour to accept the communication, place it on file and approve the acceptance of FY2026 Community Corrections Grant in the amount of \$295,500.00 with an approximate local share of \$132,512.00 with a 25% (\$33,878.00) included in the 2025 budget and the remaining 75% (\$101,634.00) approved to be included in the 2026 budget.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	Greg Moore, Jr.		Dawn Aspe	
J. Henry Lievens	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

9. Letter dated October 17, 2025 from Ms. Donna L. Kuti, Monroe County Central Dispatch Director, submitting the Reinstated Inter Governmental Communication Tower Site Agreement with Lucas County requesting approval for continued co-location of the County radio system equipment.

Discussion was held regarding the changes of the agreement.

Motion by Commissioner Lamour, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept the communication, place it on file, and adopt the Resolution for the Reinstated Inter Governmental Communication Tower Site Agreement with Lucas County.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	Greg Moore, Jr.		Dawn Aspe	
J. Henry Lievens	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

10. Letter dated October 17, 2025 from Ms. Donna L. Kuti, Monroe County Central Dispatch Director, submitting the Part II – Amended and Restated Final Integration Agreement requesting approval to continue participation with the Michigan Public Safety Communication System.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Lievens, supported by Commissioner Hoffman to accept the communication, place it on file, and adopt the Resolution for the Integration Agreement (Part II - Amended and Restated Final Integration Agreement).

Commissioner Hoffman stated Donna Kuti is doing a great job.

Roll call by Clerk as follows:

AYE			NAY	EXCUSED	ABSTAIN
David Hoffman	David Swartout	Greg Moore, Jr.		Dawn Aspe	
J. Henry Lievens	Brian Lamour				
David Vensel	Jay Heinzerling				

Motion carried.

XIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS — None

XIV. OLD BUSINESS—

1. MIDC Forensic Audit Informational Update

Vice-Chairman Lievens read the preliminary update of the forensic audit from Plant Moran into the record.

Vice-Chairman Lievens stated that the firm notes additional documentation may be required from these attorneys to reach final conclusions. The proposed target completion date is December 19, 2025. Explained to date, their work validates our earlier concerns expressed and shows that the County's current review procedures may have been inadequate for the scale and complexity of the MIDC Program.

Vice-Chairman Lievens further explained the Board has been struggling with this process for over two years. It has tested their patience, relationships, and confidence in a system meant to safeguard public funds. Vice-Chairman Lievens stated from the beginning he has sensed a lack of genuine cooperation from some of the stakeholders in this process. Stated he cannot recall a single comprehensive report from our own financial leadership that has treated this matter with the seriousness it deserves. Asked for the Boards continued persistence on this.

Commissioner Hoffman stated he agrees with Vice-Chairman Lievens 100%.

Commissioner Lamour announced the resignation of Paul Simonton from the Commission on Aging Board. Stated he will be looking for the next person to fill his spot. Commissioner Lamour explained that he served on the Board for nineteen (19) years and he will be missed. Wish him health and a speedy recovery.

XV. NEW BUSINESS—

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT—

1. Sean Meyers: Stated he was concerned at first with the vote on the bills that Mr. Lievens and Mr. Hoffman both voted no on and is glad they both got around to commenting. Mr. Meyers believes Vice-Chairman Lievens left something out that is very important regarding the audit just mentioned. He explained neither of the attorneys mentioned remain on the MIDC list. Further explained they left the list months ago. Stated what was done last meeting was a political stunt and not due to either of those attorney's conduct.
2. Bill Lavoy: Stated he is intrigued by the idea of getting rid of the 9-1-1 assessment. It is interesting whether the Board decides to drop it or get rid of it. As far as a fiscal responsibility, especially with the recent discussion on millages. Mr. Lavoy stated that regardless of the outcome of the election tonight, he still thinks there needs to be a more comprehensive ethics policy or something that the Board comes up with.

XVII. ANNOUNCEMENTS—

XVIII. MEMBERS TIME –

Commissioner Moore –Explained that in no way is he unhappy with the performance of 9-1-1. Explained they do a phenomenal job and it is extremely important that this service is available in Monroe County. Stated he is not saying the surcharge should be eliminated or anything like that, he is just looking at the mechanism of funding and what the taxpayers were promised. Stated he does not know Mr. Meyers but he appreciates him coming up here and speaking his mind. Stated coming in here insinuating that commissioners are colluding is ignorant as well as to be emotional about something you have no knowledge of. Explained Mr. Meyers doesn't

know what documents the Board has reviewed, what attorneys they've talked to, what state officials they've talked to, etc. Commissioner Moore stated he knows there was no collusion because his no vote was made thirty (30) seconds before the Board took that vote based on a conversation between himself and a person in that office earlier that day. Stated it was to garner the attention of that department so that we could have these discussions. Explained this has been going on for a very long time with a new story ever couple months. Stated his job is to protect his constituents and serve at their pleasure so he agrees with Commissioner Lievens. He would like to see an end to this.

Commissioner Swartout – Passed.

Commissioner Lamour – Explained he voted yes to pay the bills but he is in unity with the commissioners that voted no as well. Commissioner Lamour agrees that there are too many problems in the billing. He voted yes because there are other people that are dependent on those payments and it makes the County stronger when we pay the bills. When we see these irregularities, it is our job to make sure that they stop. If we don't stop them, who does. It is our job to oversee how it's getting paid out.

Commissioner Heinzerling – Passed

Commissioner Asper –

Commissioner Hoffman – Stated sometimes the ice is thin but you have to step on it to protect the public. Explained a lot is going on and it's hard to understand but the good will prevail and the evil will fail.

Vice-Chairman Lievens – Stated he is proud to defend the taxpayers and if ruining his so call reputation is the price for defending against waste and excess, let it be. He didn't become an attorney to be part of the problem, he wanted to be part of the solution. It's unfortunate that a few with so many cases damage the system for the whole but as a fiduciary, he can't pass ominous claims where there has been financial mismanagement. Stated he will continue to be a no vote until he receives an audit that confirms everything is up to procedure and protocol and that taxpayers' dollars are being properly utilized for actual claims. Explained this preliminary audit has indications that claims were paid for court cases that didn't exist. Stated he is glad to defend the taxpayers and he will continue to do it

Chairman Vensel – Explained he concurs with his colleagues on the board regarding the concerns with the assigned counsel system. Explained these are concerns that were brought up when he first got on the Board, almost three (3) years ago. Stated he requested we looked at different systems and never got a response. Another concern he has is if these attorneys are billing sixteen (16) or twenty (20) hour days, what kind of representation are they providing to the indigent clients. Chairman Vensel doesn't know how they would be effective with spreading their representation that thin. We were given assurance eight (8) or nine (9) months ago that new practices would be taking place. Changes would be made by the County office to the practices, assignment procedures, case load distribution, billing software, tracking monthly, along with reporting to the regional MIDC office. He doesn't see any of this happening now. Stated he is very underconfident in the current system. There is going to be a feasibility study that he hopes MIDC will take seriously and listen to our concerns. Stated he shares the sentiments of his colleagues on the board and this needs to be fixed.

Chairman Vensel explained the upcoming Board meeting dates will be changing. The next

Board meeting will be Thursday, November 13, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. which is when Mr. Bosanac would come back with 9-1-1 surcharge information. The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.. This is when the Board will be voting on the budget for the upcoming year. If all goes well, we can handle our business for the month of December at this meeting.

- XIX. ADJOURNMENT - Chairman Vensel adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m. with no further business to discuss.

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Grace Miles". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Grace Miles
Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant
Monroe County Board of Commissioners

SPECIAL TRIBUTE

RECOGNIZING PAUL SIMONTON FOR 19 YEARS OF SERVICE ON THE COMMISSION ON AGING BOARD



WHEREAS, it is a pleasure for the Monroe County Board of Commissioners to celebrate and acknowledge the accomplishments of Mr. Paul Simonton; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Paul Simonton was first elected to the Commission on Aging Board in 2006 and has faithfully served the citizens of Monroe County for 19 years as a District 5 Appointee; and

WHEREAS, during this time, Mr. Paul Simonton has demonstrated unwavering dedication, integrity, and leadership in working toward the betterment of our community; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monroe wishes to acknowledge and express its sincere gratitude for Mr. Paul Simonton's longevity, expertise, and commitment to public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this 13th day of November, 2025, the Monroe County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes and applauds Mr. Paul Simonton for his outstanding dedication and for continuing to bring pride to Monroe County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board offers its deep appreciation for Mr. Paul Simonton's tireless efforts and dedication to the County's citizens.

Resolution offered by Commissioner Brian Lamour

Resolution supported by Commissioner David Vensel

David Vensel
Chairman
Representing District 6

J. Henry Lievens
Vice-Chairman
Representing District 9

Dawn A. Asper
Representing District 3

Jay Heinzerling
Representing District 4

Brian Lamour
Representing District 5

David G. Swartout
Representing District 7

Greg Moore, Jr.
Representing District 8

David C. Hoffman
Representing District 1

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	TERRY CREQUE EXCAVATING LLC	0000000831		200.00	592491
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2024-247983-FH	NEW ERA DENTAL	0000000864		150.00	592509
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110725 STD	MONROE CO. EMP. RETIRE. SYS.	0000001127		983.19	592518
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110725 U06	TPOAM	0000001152		490.00	592523
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OCTOBER 2025	STATE OF MICH-DEPT OF TREAS.	0000001185		23,639.74	592535
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092325	LLOYD W CONNER	0000001113		8.12	592537
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092325	NICHOLAS STEVEN GUTHRIE	0000001114		28.84	592538
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092325	MICHAEL ROBERT HUMPHRIES	0000001115		8.54	592539
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10/31/2025	KENNETH R. LABERDEE	0000000830		200.00	592540
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10/19-11/1/25	CARL J. SCHMIDT	0000000849		3,044.15	592541
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103125	JENNIFER PFEIFFER	0000000989		27.30	592542
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2025-248292-FH	STEFANIE BECK	0000000867		40.00	592546
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A(10/25)	MEGHAN TARRANT	0000001116		9.00	592548
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Vendor Code: TREASURER REISSUE CK # 591523 DATED 9/26/2025					
11-4-2025	BOBBY POWELL	0000000882		1,826.40	592550
2024 PRE	CHRISTOPHER & ANDREA FULWOOD	0000000877		1,657.05	592552
2024 PRE	KENT MOYER & MEGAN HUG	0000000847		3,525.74	592551
NOV 2025	LAWYERS TITLE AGENCY	0000000851		3.88	592549
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MORT FORECLOSURE	PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES LLC	0000001175		127,044.03	592554
Total Vendor Code TREASURER:				179,540.38	
Report Total:				531,348.80	

HON. MICHAEL C. BROWN
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HON. AMANDA L. EICHER
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November 5, 2025

Monroe County Board of Commissioners
125 East Second Street
Monroe, Michigan 48161

Attn: Chairman David Vensel

RE: Attorney Magistrate Appointment

Dear Chairman Vensel and Commissioners:

The Court has submitted Local Administrative Order 2025-03, appointing Michael D. Lieberman as Attorney Magistrate for the 1st District Court, to the State Court Administrative Office.

The Court respectfully requests the Board's approval of Mr. Michael D. Lieberman as Attorney Magistrate for the 1st District Court per our Local Administrative Order 2025-03.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Michael Brown", is written over a horizontal line.

Michael Brown
Chief Judge of the 1st Judicial District Court

HON. MICHAEL C. BROWN
CHIEF JUDGE & VETERANS COURT
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Administrative Order 2025 - 03

APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY MAGISTRATE

In accordance with Administrative Order 2009-6, effective January 1, 2010, and MCL 600.8501 and 600.8503, and upon approval of the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO),

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The judges of the 1st District Court Michael David Lieberman as attorney magistrate with the approval of the Monroe County Board of Commissioners.
2. Michael David Lieberman:
 - a. Is a registered elector in the County of Monroe.
 - b. Will serve at the pleasure of the judges of the district court.
 - c. Will take the constitutional oath of office.
 - d. Will file a performance bond in the amount of \$50,000 with the Monroe County treasurer and chief judge.
 - e. Will complete a training course in traffic law adjudication and sanctions given by SCAO.
 - f. Is licensed to practice law in Michigan.
3. Magistrate Michael David Lieberman is authorized to perform the following duties:
 - a. Arraign and sentence upon pleas of guilty or nolo contendere for violations of the following acts or parts of acts, or local ordinances substantially corresponding to the following acts or parts of acts, if the maximum permissible punishment does not exceed 90 days in jail, a fine, or both [MCL 600.8511(a)]:
 - 1) SPORT FISHING, part 487 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.48701 to 324.48740;
 - 2) WILDLIFE CONSERVATION, part 401 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.40101 to 324.40120;

- 3) MARINE SAFETY, part 801 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.80101 to 324.80199;
- 4) MOTOR CARRIER ACT, MCL 475.1 to 479.43;
- 5) MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ACT, MCL 480.11 to 480.25;
- 6) DOG LAW OF 1919, MCL 287.261 to 287.290;
- 7) MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL CODE, MCL 436.1703 and 436.1915;
- 8) GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES, part 5 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.501 to 324.513;
- 9) LITTERING, part 89 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.8901 to 324.8907;
- 10) HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES, part 435 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.43501 to 324.43561;
- 11) RECREATIONAL TRESPASS, part 731 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.73101 to 324.73111; and
- 12) TRESPASS, MCL 750.546 to 750.552c.

b. Arraign and sentence upon pleas of guilty or nolo contendere for violations of the Michigan vehicle code, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, or local ordinances substantially corresponding to provisions of the Michigan vehicle code, if the maximum permissible punishment does not exceed 93 days in jail, a fine, or both, except for violations of MCL 257.625 and 257.625m or local ordinances substantially corresponding to these provisions. However, the magistrate is authorized to arraign defendants and set bond with regard to violations of MCL 257.625 and 257.625m or local ordinances substantially corresponding to these provisions. [MCL 600.8511(b)]

c. Arraign and sentence upon pleas of guilty or nolo contendere for violations of the following acts, if the maximum permissible punishment does not exceed 93 days in jail, a fine, or both [MCL 600.8511(c)]:

- 1) OFF-ROAD RECREATION VEHICLES, part 811 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.81101 to 324.81150 or local ordinances substantially corresponding to these provisions, except for violations of MCL 324.81134 and 324.81135. However, the magistrate is authorized to arraign defendants and set bond with regard to violations of MCL 324.81134 and 324.81135; and
- 2) SNOWMOBILE, part 821 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, MCL 324.82101 to 324.82160 or local ordinances substantially corresponding to these provisions, except for violations of MCL 324.82128 and 324.82129. However, the magistrate is authorized to arraign

defendants and set bond with regard to violations of MCL 324.82128 and 324.82129.

- d. Accept pleas of guilty or nolo contendere and impose sentence for misdemeanor or ordinance violations punishable by fines and that are not punishable by imprisonment by the terms of the statutes or ordinances creating the offenses. [MCL 600.8512a(b)]
- e. Issue search warrants under general authorization. [MCL 600.8511(g); MCL 780.651(4)]
- f. Issue warrants for the arrest of persons or summons to appear in court upon written authorization of the prosecuting or municipal attorney and set pre-arraignment bonds. Written authorization is not required for vehicle law or ordinance violations within the jurisdiction of the magistrate, if a police officer issued a traffic citation in accordance with MCL 257.728 and the defendant failed to appear. [MCL 600.8511(e); MCL 764.1(1)]
- g. Fix bail and accept bond in all criminal cases. [MCL 600.8511(f)] Set bond and order the defendant to appear before the circuit court in the county for a hearing when the person has been arrested for violation of a personal protection order and the circuit court judge will not be present or available within 24 hours after an arrest. [MCL 764.15b(3)]
- h. Conduct first appearances of defendants before the court in all criminal and ordinance violation cases, including acceptance of any written demand or waiver of preliminary examination and acceptance of any written demand or waiver of jury trial. However, the magistrate may only accept pleas of guilty or nolo contendere expressly authorized under MCL 600.8511 or MCL 600.8512a. [MCL 600.8513(1)]
- i. Conduct arraignments for a contempt of court violation or a probation violation, if the violation arises directly out of a criminal case for which the magistrate has authority to conduct the first appearance and involves the same defendant, and if the maximum permissible penalty for the offense does not exceed one year in jail, a fine, or both. The magistrate may accept a plea and set bond, but may not conduct a contempt or probation violation hearing or sentencing. [MCL 600.8511(d)]
- j. Hear and preside over civil infraction admissions, admissions with explanation, motions to set aside default or withdraw admissions, and conduct informal hearings in civil infraction actions, and impose all sanctions allowed by statute, under the authority of MCL 600.8512a(a), MCL 600.8512 (traffic, parking, recreational marihuana, and medical marihuana civil infractions), 600.8719 (municipal civil infractions), MCL 600.8819 (state civil infractions), and other applicable sections of these acts. Informal hearings involving traffic or parking violations shall not be conducted until the magistrate has successfully completed the SCAO training course in traffic law adjudication and sanctions.
- k. Approve and grant petitions for the appointment of attorneys to represent indigent defendants accused of misdemeanor offenses punishable by imprisonment for not

more than one year or ordinance violations punishable by imprisonment. [MCL 600.8513(2)(a)]

- l. Suspend payment of court fees by indigent parties in civil, small claims, or summary proceedings actions, until after judgment has been entered. [MCL 600.8513(2)(b)]
- m. Upon written authorization of the prosecuting or city attorney, sign nolle prosequis, dismissing any criminal or ordinance violation cases over which the district court has jurisdiction and release any bail bonds or bail bond deposits to the persons entitled to them, unless the preliminary examination or trial has commenced or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere has been accepted by a district court judge. [MCL 600.8513(2)(c)]
- n. Execute and issue process to effectuate authority expressly granted by law to district court magistrates. [MCL 600.8513(2)(d)]
- o. Administer oaths and affirmations and take acknowledgments in writing. [MCL 600.8317]
- p. Perform marriages and charge a fee of \$10 which shall be deposited with the court for transmission to the funding unit at the end of each month. [MCL 600.8316]
- q. Issue summonses to appear and show cause why the animal should not be destroyed, issue other preliminary orders, conduct hearings, and make necessary dispositive orders, regarding animals alleged to be dangerous and to have caused serious injury or death to a person or a dog. [MCL 287.322]
- r. Hear cases in the small claims division of the district court. [MCL 600.8401, MCL 600.8427, MCL 600.8514]
- s. Conduct probable cause conferences and all matters allowed at the probable cause conference, except for the taking of pleas and sentencings, under MCL 766.4. [MCL 600.8511(h)]
- t. Issue a suppression order for a search warrant affidavit. [MCL 780.651(9)]
- u. Issue a suppression order for a search warrant tabulation until the final disposition of the case unless otherwise ordered. [MCL 780.655(2)]
- v. Hear, preside over, and issue orders regarding abandoned vehicles filed under MCL 257.252a, 257.252b, and MCL 257.252d. [MCL 257.252f]

Effective upon approval by the State Court Administrative Office.

11/6/25

Date



Hon. Michael Brown, Chief Judge
1st District Court – Monroe County



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November 4, 2025

Mr. Dave Vensel, Chairman
Monroe County Board of Commissioners
125 E. Second Street
Monroe, MI 48161

RE: 2025 Bedford Township Master Plan Review

Dear Chairman Vensel and Members of the Board:

Please find the attached review/recommendation from our County Planner of the proposed the Bedford Township Master Plan. This is a requirement of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (Act 33 of 2008). The Act requires municipalities located within a county to submit a proposed master plan update to the board of commissioners for review and comment. We ask that the Board approve the recommendation if it is in agreement.

A complete copy of the proposed Master Plan can be found at: [https://www.bedfordmi.org/2025 Master Plan Draft.pdf](https://www.bedfordmi.org/2025/MasterPlanDraft.pdf)

Sincerely,

Jason Berry
Community Planning & Engagement Director

2025

PLAN REVIEW

Monroe County, Michigan

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 4, 2025

TO: Monroe County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Monroe County Community Planning
and Engagement Staff

SUBJECT: Case #200.3-9-25-4

PROJECT:

Bedford Township Master Plan

SUBJECT

Bedford Township has released a draft of the Bedford Township Master Plan for review and comment.

DESCRIPTION

The Bedford Township Master Plan includes an executive summary of the Plan, along with sections on existing land use patterns, community goals and objectives, a future land use map with a description of the land use categories, and implementation strategies for the Master Plan. This is followed by background data for the Plan, and finally a section detailing the community engagement process and the community survey results.

ANALYSIS

Staff believes that the draft Bedford Township Master Plan is a well-written document that is based upon a solid foundation of planning principles that are appropriate for a suburban community. We believe that Bedford Township is a unique municipality in Monroe County, as it has the largest population of any community within the County, yet still maintains a rural character within large portions of the Township. Residents have expressed that the Township's rural character is one of the main reasons that they choose to reside within the Township, and have therefore expressed a desire to maintain much of this character. At the same time, residents also express a desire to be provided with the commercial services, shopping opportunities, and restaurants that are appropriate to a suburban community. Staff believes that this document does an excellent job balancing the planning for these two different needs for residents in the Township.

The Community Goals section of the Bedford Township Master Plan is extensive, as the Plan includes both overall goals for the Township and strategies for seven different location-based subsections of the Township.

Overall goals for the Township include:

- Strengthening and enhancing residential neighborhoods

- Maintaining and improving Township public facilities
- Planning for economic growth and mixed uses along the Lewis Avenue corridor, as well as other limited areas of the Township
- Developing a safe, efficient and multimodal transportation network
- Encouraging and shaping growth while balancing the preservation of current features of the Township
- Enhancing collaboration with adjacent townships and with Monroe County

Staff feels that all of these goals are appropriate for a community that is both a growing suburban community that also wishes to retain much of its rural character. We believe that providing commercial services for current residents, encouraging economic growth, and retaining agricultural land and natural features are all goals that can be delicately balanced with effort from Township leadership and through cooperation with Monroe County as well as with Bedford Township's neighboring communities. Staff believes that maintaining this balance is the key to continuing to make Bedford Township an attractive place for residents to live.

The seven subareas designated within Bedford Township are as follows:

- Suburban area
- Village Centers (Temperance, Lambertville, and Samaria)
- DDA Area (Secor and Sterns Road intersection)
- Commercial Nodes (Sterns and Jackman, Smith and Jackman, and Smith and Secor)
- Lewis Avenue Corridor
- Agriculture/Rural Area
- Research & Development Area

Each area is then described by the Plan, followed by a list of unique objectives identified to pursue for each of these areas. Staff agrees that, because of the varied nature of Bedford Township's land uses (suburban residential, commercial/retail, light industrial and rural agricultural), that this is the best approach for the Plan to take in order to fulfill the goal of balancing all of the Township priorities. Without separating out each subsection and identifying separate objectives for each one, the Township risks prioritizing one particular goal over another. We believe that the interests of Bedford Township residents are therefore best served by addressing different sub-areas separately, with no one area of the Township given more priority over another.

Staff also agrees that one of the major focuses of the Master Plan should be the development of Bedford Township's existing village centers of Temperance, Lambertville and Samaria. While none of these villages is an incorporated village, these villages nonetheless can serve as focuses for both efficient residential development and commercial services within the Township. The cost for providing services to a village center is much lower due to the more concentrated character of the development compared to suburban residential and rural residential development, and village centers are both more walkable and have more aesthetic appeal than strip commercial development, which Staff believes should be discouraged in the Township, as suggested in the Master Plan.

In regards to the Township's Future Land Use Map, Staff is in general agreement with the placement of the land use categories on this Map. As previously stated, there is a heavy emphasis on development of the village centers of Temperance, Lambertville and Samaria on these maps, and Staff feels that this is essential for residents who prefer compact, walkable mixed residential and commercial use options within the Township.

Residents in Bedford Township expressed a preference for limiting the amount of strip commercial development within the Township, and this is also expressed on the Future Land Use Map. Strip commercial is limited to the already existing strip commercial development along the Lewis Avenue corridor, with no suggestion of expanding strip commercial development elsewhere. Other commercial development is focused along important transportation nodes within the Township, the main node being Secor and Sterns Road, with smaller commercial nodes present elsewhere, such as at Sterns and Jackman, Smith and Jackman, and Smith and Secor Roads. Staff is fully in agreement that commercial development in both villages and at transportation nodes is preferable to strip commercial development.

Light industrial development, which is titled as Research and Development in the Master Plan, remains focused in the southeast corner of the Township, between Telegraph and Crabb Roads and south of Sterns Road. Staff agrees that research and development uses are best suited to this area of the Township, and that these uses should be promoted in this district by policymakers in order to foster economic development for both the Township and for Monroe County as a whole.

As for residential development, Staff agrees that the Northwest area of the Township south of Samaria Road is the best area for further rural residential development, although we feel that possibly too much of this area is designated as Rural Residential on the Future Land Use Map, as residential development in the Township is projected to slow in Bedford Township, as well as in Monroe County as a whole, as the current population ages. Much of the land in the northwest corner of Bedford Township is currently farmland, and we feel that, while it is inevitable that some of this land will eventually be developed residentially, the Township should attempt to preserve as much of it as possible agriculturally as farmland. Therefore, Staff feels that new developments in this area of the Township should be clustered together as much as possible, and that they should also be located close to already existing residential development, as single-family residential development that is clustered together will best preserve farmland, as well as make the provision of infrastructure to these developments much less costly for the Township.

Finally, Staff commends the Township for including a non-motorized transportation plan within the transportation section of its Master Plan. While it is necessary to preserve the existing road network and to ensure that it is not congested, both of which are listed as important objectives in the Plan, Staff feels that the need to provide non-motorized transportation options for residents is also very important. This non-motorized transportation plan will help to guide decisions so that neighborhoods, businesses, and community facilities are well-connected within the Township. We also strongly recommend that the Township continue to work with Monroe County and with neighboring communities in order to attempt to connect the Township's non-motorized transportation network with other non-motorized facilities in other parts of Monroe County.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Monroe County Planning Commission submit the above comments regarding the Bedford Township Master Plan Draft to Bedford Township.